

NOTICE TO MARINERS

Ipswich Tidal Barrier Tests.

UTC BST

Mariners are advised that the dates and times listed below Environment Agency will be conducting routine tests and maintenance to the Ipswich Tidal Barrier.

From 26th March – 29th October 2023 BST will apply.

Proposed date of closure	Timeframe
• 08 November 2022	09:30 – 13:15
• 13 December 2022	13:00 – 15:00
• 11 January 2023	11:00 – 15:00
• 15 February 2023	17:00 – 19:00
• 08 March 2023	10:30 – 13:15
• 06 April 2023	11:00 – 13:45
• 09 May 2023	13:30 – 15:30
• 06 June 2023	12:00 – 14:45
• 06 July 2023	11:30 – 15:30
• 02 August 2023	10:30 – 13:30
• 05 September 2023	09:30 – 14:00
• 06 September 2023	10:15 – 14:15
• 17 October 2023	11:45 – 14:45
• 15 November 2023	10:15 – 13:15
• 14 December 2023	10:00 – 13:00

During this period the river will be closed off between the Tidal Barrier and Stoke Bridge.

Upon completion of the barrier closure, the barrier will be re-opened gradually.

Vessels approaching Ipswich Lock may experience additional currents as they make their approach. Caution needs to be taken by small vessels navigating in the vicinity of the lock/barrier at the time of opening.

Vessel bound to the area upstream of the Tidal Barrier should at all times observe the Red/Green traffic lights at the Barrier.

For more information contact Orwell Navigation Services on VHF Ch 68.

Divisional Harbour Master East Anglia

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Notice to Mariners Currently in Force:

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