

Weymouth & Portland Harbours: register for Berths & Anchorages in 2012

For parts of July, August and September in 2012, the waters of Weymouth Bay and Portland Harbour will play host to the sailing events for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. To enable safe and secure sailing for the world's top sailing athletes, some restrictions of use within the sailing waters will be necessary.

If you considering visiting Weymouth and Portland by boat to be part of a '*Once in a Lifetime Experience*' in 2012 and will have harbourside berthing and / or anchorage requirements, then you are advised to register now - casual visitors are unlikely to be accommodated.

To assist the Harbour Authorities of both Weymouth and Portland to assess demand for berths and anchoring points, boat owners are urged to register their interest.

The number and size of berths is not yet agreed, but anyone who has expressed interest by pre-registering will be on the mailing lists and will be notified when details become available. The pre-booked period will run from 15 July to 9 September 2012, with precise charges yet to be decided.

Boat owners who would like to express their interest can register on line at <http://harbour.weymouth.gov.uk> obtain a form from 13 Custom House Quay, Weymouth, Dorset DT4 8BG

Cllr Peter Farrell, Chair of the Weymouth Harbour Board, said: "As preparations for 2012 move forward here in Weymouth & Portland, the Borough Council and Portland Harbour Authority are taking measures well ahead of time to access the demand and look at ways to accommodate as many visiting boat owners as possible.

"The Olympic and Paralympic Games are spectacular once-in-a-lifetime international events, which Weymouth & Portland is honoured to be hosting. I strongly urge boat owners who are considering visiting us from July – September 2012 to register now. "

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