



**To: All Boat owners navigating Beverley Beck**

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## Basic Rules of Navigation and Requirements for Navigating the Beverley Beck

All users of vessels must comply with the following rules when navigating Beverley Beck:

- I.1 The instructions of the Lock Keeper, Steve Bampton, must be followed at all times.
- I.2 Do not to exceed a speed of 4 miles per hour.
- I.3 Attach appropriate fenders to the vessel to protect other vessels, the lock and other infrastructure.
- I.4 Ensure that usage of the lock and access to the Beck are approved by the Lock Keeper prior to arrival (see section I.9 below for details).
- I.5 Operate the lock by using the proper mechanisms and following all instructions provided by the Lock Keeper. Pushing or pulling the gates is not permitted.
- I.6 Ensure that, while navigating in and out of the Beck, the tide gauge on the outside of the lock reads a water level of:  
  
at least **1.65m** for vessels with a draught equal to or less than **0.91m** (3ft)  
at least **1.80m** for vessels with a draught equal to or less than **1.07m** (3' 6")  
at least **1.95m** for vessels with a draught greater than **1.07m** (3' 6") or equal to or less than **1.37m** (4ft)  
at least **2.10m** for vessels with a draught greater than **1.22m** (4') or equal to or less than **1.52m** (5')  
at least **2.25m** for vessels with a draught greater than **1.37m** (4' 6") or equal to or less than **1.52m** (5')  
**(Any vessel with a draught greater than 1.5m (5') will require special permission).**
- I.7 Ensure any navigation takes place during daylight hours ("daylight hours" defined as half an hour before sunrise to half an hour after sunset).
- I.8 Navigation on Beverley Beck should not endanger or inconvenience other vessels. The navigable width of the Beck is 20 feet.

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Director of Communities and Environment

- I.9 Visiting vessels will give the Lock Keeper at least 36 hours (48 hours preferred) notice of any request to pass the vessel through the lock **and, if the Lock Keeper is not available, they will** contact East Riding of Yorkshire Council's Infrastructure and Facilities. Full contact details are provided below.

Contact Details for the Lock Keeper (Steve Bampton)

Journey date and time must be provided to the Lock Keeper by one of the following means:

- Text or voice message on mobile phone number 07930 663331 (requires 24 hours' notice)
- Written notification posted to:  
Lock Keeper's Cottage  
Waterside Road, Beverley  
HU17 0SU (requires 36 hours' notice)
- Email to [stevebampton@yahoo.com](mailto:stevebampton@yahoo.com) (requires 36 hours' notice)

In the event that the Lock Keeper is unavailable, journey date and time must be sent to East Riding of Yorkshire Council with at least 36 hours' notice either by:

- E-mail to [steve.charlton@eastriding.gov.uk](mailto:steve.charlton@eastriding.gov.uk) with a copy to [stevebampton@yahoo.com](mailto:stevebampton@yahoo.com), or
- Written notification posted to:  
FAO: Steve Charlton  
East Riding of Yorkshire Council  
Flood & Coastal Risk Management  
County Hall, BS109A, Beverley  
HU17 9BA (requires 36 hours)

**Please note:** For boat movements during weekends, notification needs to be received no later than 13:00 on the Thursday prior to arrival.

**Other Requirements for Boat Owners Navigating the Beck**

In order to enable the Lock Keeper and East Yorkshire of Council to inform users of any potential problems and to minimise delays, it is recommended that regular users with moorings on the Beck inform the Lock Keeper and the Council of any proposed lockings (as above).

Regular users may operate the lock themselves; however East Yorkshire of Council reserves the right to operate the lock by the Lock Keeper at any time.

Users of the Beck must keep in place public liability insurance with a cover of at least £2 million. The Lock Keeper will be provided with a valid insurance certificate upon request.

Users must comply with all statutory requirements.

**Please note: Noncompliance with any of the above requirements could lead to the removal of the vessel from the Beverley Beck and/or refusal to grant access.**

The above list is not exhaustive and further requirements may be added at the discretion of East Riding of Yorkshire Council as the navigation authority.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Steve Charlton using the contact details provided above.