

Signals on the navigable waterways

Obligation

Stop under certain conditions
Speed limited to 6km/h
Emit a sound signal
Be particularly vigilant
Move towards the side of the channel indicated
Stay on the strokeside/starboard side of the channel
Mandatory direction

Nautical Activity

Prohibition/Authorisation
Sport and pleasure boats
Motor boats
Boats without sail or engine
Windsurfers
Waterskiing
Sailboats
Swimming
Motorised vessels
Speed basin

Prohibition

No parking
No mooring
No anchoring
No tacking
Creation of turbulence forbidden
No overtaking
ID between convoys
No crossing or overtaking
or
Entry into inflow forbidden
No entry except non-motorised boats
Get ready to leave

Indication

Tacking area
Electric cable
Dam
Ferry
Inflow channel junction
Priority channel junction
Parking permitted
Anchoring permitted
Mooring permitted
End of prohibition
Or
Or
Passing permitted
Prohibited
With caution
Port entry

Restriction

Clearance depth
Clearance height
Clearance width
Channel 50m from the bank
Restrictions imposed

Recommendation

Stay within the space indicated
Travel in this direction
Steady

Intermittent
Move from steady light to intermittent light

Bridges

Or
Or
Passing forbidden
Passing forbidden outside the space indicated
Pass (no traffic from other direction)
Pass (in both directions)

Buoy system

Right bank
Left bank
Flood level
Fork
Left bank/right bank finger slips
Median bank

Boats

By night
By day
Pass on the side of lights or red and white signs

Sound signals

Long
Short
Very short
Three sounds

Attention
Approaching starboard
Approaching strokeside
Operating astern propulsion
Unable to manoeuvre
Do not overtake
Danger of imminent collision
Distress signal
Tacking to starboard
Tacking to strokeside
Overtaking your starboard
Overtaking your strokeside
Crossing
Entry and exit of ports on starboard
Entry and exit of ports on strokeside

Thick weather

Isolated boat underway
Convoy or pair formation underway
Downstream navigating by radar

Legend

Permanent bows
Passing bows
Harbour master's office
Fuel
Wash facilities
Electricity on the quay
Water to quay
Public telephone
Rubbish bins
Local shops
Repair services

Watering
Guard service
Parking
Motor repairs
Hull repairs
Sales of fittings
Sales of engines
Sales of boats
Naval shipyard
Provisioning
Stopoff (Right, Left)
Stopoff (Right, Left)
Ramp (Right, Left)
Lock, Seine basin