



Consultation on General Direction 10

The Harbour Authority has drafted an update to GD 10 concerning the management of moorings in St Helier and Outlying harbours

This is due to the increased demand and mooring congestion in some areas. The updated version of General Direction 10 is designed to ensure that the management of the provision is safe, fair and appropriate for local mariners and boat owners.

We intend to issue this General Direction on the 1st April 2021 and are consulting relevant groups and users with a closing date for response - Monday 15th March 2021.

Consultees:

Boat Owners associations

St Aubins
St Brelades,
Grev De Lecq,
Bonne Nuit,
Bouley Bay,
Rozel,
Gorey,
La Rocque,
St Helier,

Residents associations

Minquieres
Ecrehous

Yacht Clubs

St Helier and Royal Channel Islands

Other

St Catherines user group,
Small commercial vessels with a regulation 6 permit to operate

Please complete this [feedback form](#) with any comments.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

Captain William Sadler
Harbour Master



GD10 | The Provision and Management of Moorings within St Helier and Outlying Harbours

Under the Harbours (Administration) (Jersey) Law 1961, 4B Provision, etc. of moorings and with reference to schedule [25] Harbours – Management etc. Moorings (articles 2(2) and 4b) Port & Harbour limits, the Harbour Authority or their designate will provide and manage moorings within harbour limits in accordance with this direction.

1. Moorings may not be laid in the Port of St Helier or any of the Outlying Harbours without the express permission of the Harbour Master, his authorized officers, or a recognised association with the authority or delegated authority to regulate such moorings.
2. Moorings are only permitted within designated harbour limits in accordance with GD08.
 - a. Moorings in St Helier will normally be restricted to the Old Harbour, the area off the old lifeboat station between Old South Pier and Victoria Pier, and the holding moorings for Elizabeth Marina.
 - b. Moorings may be dropped over the winter period to prevent damage.
3. When laying moorings this should be undertaken in accordance with GD03.
4. The positioning of moorings is done in accordance with a navigational risk assessment for the harbour area considering the seabed, the depth of water, known tidal streams and recognised swinging circles of a moored vessel in accordance with its length.
 - a. When locating and laying a mooring the impact on the environment should be considered.
 - b. Specific locations may be subject to additional environmental measures or protection and this will be communicated during the application process.
5. Ground chains and clump blocks/dead men may be encountered within areas where mooring areas are assigned; mariners are warned to exercise caution when drying out or anchoring in these areas.
6. The Harbour Authority may forbid the laying of moorings within the limits of any harbour if such moorings contravened (4) above or –
 - a. would cause a hazard to navigation or otherwise be detrimental to navigational safety; or
 - b. would otherwise be detrimental to the general enjoyment of the harbour and its facilities by all users.
7. Should there be a greater demand for moorings than the maximum number permitted for a harbour area, then a waiting list will be held on a first come first serve basis, which may be determined by –
 - a. the length of a vessel,
 - b. the draft of a vessel.

References

- A. Harbours (Administration) (Jersey) Law 1961 as amended Art 1
- B. Harbours (Jersey) Regulations 1962 Regulation 3 (3) (a)
- C. General Direction 8 – Harbour Limits