



# CRAFT ON THE RIVER OUSE - NABURN

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To minimise the danger of accidents and near misses we are publishing this short guide to ensure the correct conduct of craft on the River Ouse in the non-tidal section above Naburn. It must be emphasised that these are simplified notes and all craft should comply with all Canal & River Trust and national byelaws and legislation.

## Sound Signals

All craft should use and/or understand the sound signals:-

One short blast	I am altering course to starboard
Two short blasts	I am altering course to port
Three short blasts	My engines are going astern
One long blast	Do not cross ahead of me

## Motor Vessels meeting Sailing Dinghies

When sailing dinghies are ahead, give audible warning of one long blast (four to six seconds duration) and proceed at slow speed keeping to the starboard side of the channel as close as is safe to the bank, maintaining a steady course.

## Sailing Dinghies near Motor Vessels

When a motor vessel is approaching, either ahead or astern, do not tack across her bows. Listen for and attend to her sound signals.

## Motor Vessels meeting Sculling (Rowing) Craft

Motor vessels should pass these craft giving as wide a berth as is safe keeping to the starboard side of the river and going at slow speed. Sculling craft do not have to obey the speed limits and may overtake powered craft, slow down and let them pass as quickly as possible.

## Sculling Craft

These craft should obey all local and national rowing safety rules and avoid hampering other craft, especially on or near bends.

### **Passenger and Freight Carrying Craft**

All vessels should give the right of navigation to these craft when they are manoeuvring adjacent to their moorings.

### **Bridges in York**

When passing through bridges craft navigating with the flow have the right of way over craft navigating against the flow, who should slow down or stop to allow the with-flow craft to pass through the bridge and clear.

**For more information on planning a safe passage on the River Ouse please visit our website using the following link: <https://canalrivertrust.org.uk/about-us/our-regions/north-east-waterways>**