

# Requirements

for water skiing and wakeboarding  
on the Rivers Waveney and Yare

- ◆ You must have a licence for your boat.
- ◆ Your boat must also meet the criteria for a **Light Sports Vessel** as defined by the Broads Authority - a motor vessel with a block area of no more than 13 square metres, which has a planing hull, no permanent covered accommodation and is capable of towing a water skier.
- ◆ You must have a valid Broads Authority water ski permit (administration charge payable). To obtain this you must:
  - be a member of Eastern Rivers Ski Club [www.erwsc.co.uk](http://www.erwsc.co.uk) and British Water Ski [www.britishwaterski.org.uk](http://www.britishwaterski.org.uk)
  - have the BWS Ski Boat Driver's Award
  - have your boat insured
  - get an Annual Steering Condition check for your boat
  - get a Wash & Vessel Noise check for your boat
- ◆ You must follow the British Water Ski Code of Conduct, ERWSC Rules and Constitution, and adhere to the relevant Broads Authority Byelaws.
- ◆ You may only ski in the designated areas - these are signed on the banks.



Try to take a mobile phone, make sure it is charged and know your number.

## Useful numbers

<b>Emergencies</b> .....	999
<i>Coastguard, Police, Ambulance, Fire</i>	
<b>Problems/advice</b> .....	Broads Radio Control
<i>Broads Authority</i>	01603 756056
<b>Police</b> .....	0845 4564567
<i>non-emergency number for crime and anti-social behaviour</i>	

If you have to telephone in an emergency be as specific as possible about your location. Give:

- the name of the boat
- how many people are on board
- the name of the river
- the nearest village
- any nearby landmarks/post number
- the nearest 24 hour mooring site - this may include a grid reference

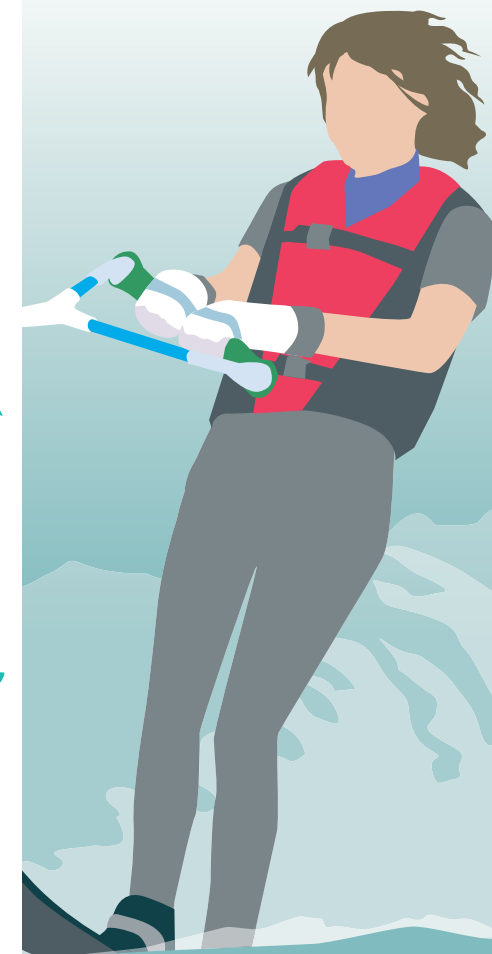


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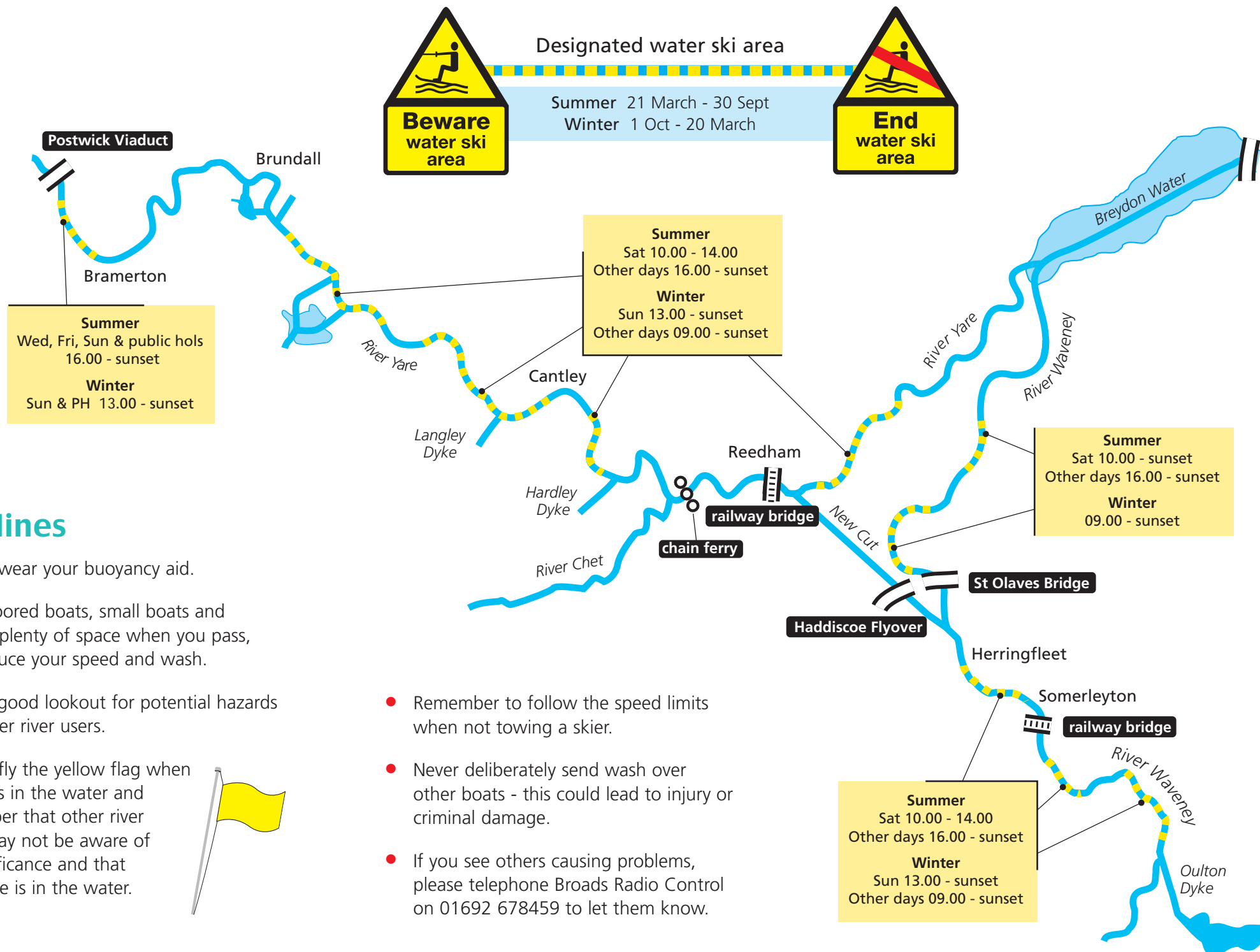
Further information, Byelaws and Better Boating DVD available from the Broads Authority, Dragonfly House, 2 Gilders Way, Norwich NR3 1UB tel 01603 610734 fax 01603 756069 [broads@broads-authority](mailto:broads@broads-authority) [www.broads-authority.gov.uk](http://www.broads-authority.gov.uk)



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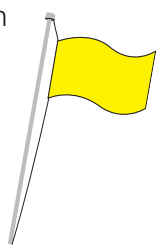


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## Guidelines

- Always wear your buoyancy aid.
- Give moored boats, small boats and anglers plenty of space when you pass, and reduce your speed and wash.
- Keep a good lookout for potential hazards and other river users.
- Always fly the yellow flag when a skier is in the water and remember that other river users may not be aware of its significance and that someone is in the water.



- Remember to follow the speed limits when not towing a skier.
- Never deliberately send wash over other boats - this could lead to injury or criminal damage.
- If you see others causing problems, please telephone Broads Radio Control on 01692 678459 to let them know.