



King's Harbour Master Portsmouth

LNTM No 88/26

UNCREWED SURFACE VESSEL TRIALS 28 JULY - 31 DECEMBER 2026

1. **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** by the King's Harbour Master Portsmouth that Uncrewed Surface Vessel (USV) trials will be conducted within the Dockyard Port of Portsmouth throughout the period 28 July - 31 December 2026.
2. The USV, of which there may be several, will be trialled in the Hill Head and Stokes Bay areas.
3. The designated trials period will be 24 hours daily and include the USV operating in remote and/or autonomous mode within the trials area. The USV will be towed on transit between the Hamble River and the trials location.
4. The USV is a grey monohulled vessel (LOA 6.0m) with designation '**BRAVO**' or '**RATTLER 1,2,3 – 7**'. A 9.0m RHIB '**MOUILLE POINT**' will act as the safety and support boat during the period of the trials. The safety vessel will maintain a position within 100m of the USV.
5. The safety vessel will be listening on VHF Ch 11/12.
6. All trials vessels will conform to the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) and The Dockyard Port of Portsmouth Order 2005.
7. Cancel this LNTM 31 December 2027.

Tuesday 28 Jul 2026

G W BISHOP
King's Harbour Master

Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Sailing Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.