



Equipment Rental from Active360 – Navigation Limits

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The following rules are in place to increase safety on the Thames and other rivers for all users. They form part of an understanding between Active360 and the Port of London Authority.

SUP paddlers who have completed Thames Skills and Knowledge training Level 2 (TSK2)

Can hire boards to use anywhere on the Thames Tideway down to Tower Bridge (provided they follow Port of London Authority (PLA) rules which means paddling in groups of 3 or more downriver of Putney Bridge with at least one trained VHF radio operator.

SUP paddlers who have completed Thames Skills and Knowledge training Level 1 (TSK1) and have 5 + hours of Tideway paddling experience

Can hire boards to use anywhere on the Thames Tideway down to Chelsea Bridge (provided they follow Port of London Authority rules which means paddling in groups of 3 or more downriver of Putney Bridge with at least one trained VHF radio operator.

Experienced SUP paddlers who have been coached by Active360 on the Tideway and have at least 30 hours of SUP experience including 6 on the Thames Tideway.

Can hire boards to use anywhere upriver of Putney Bridge and at other venues away from the Thames Tideway.

Experienced SUP paddlers (with at least 30 hours of SUP experience on a range of rivers, canals and coastal places) who have not been coached by Active360 on the Tideway

Can hire to use boards anywhere upriver of Teddington Lock or for any other waterways including the canals in London. People who have extensive experience in SUP in tidal locations or open sea conditions can just take a short 1-1 lesson to make them aware of local hazards by arrangement with the Active360 Head Coach.

People who have been coached by Active360 at other venues but not on the Thames Tideway

Can hire boards to paddle on the Thames upriver of Teddington Lock on other waterways. Generally, anyone who has taken a group lesson of 2 + hours or a 1-1 lesson or 1+ hours will be counted as a returning paddler on a Thames lesson and will be charged the appropriate (lower) rate to join a lesson / trip.



People who have no prior SUP experience

Can hire boards to use at venues outside of London where they are being supervised and / or coached by other SUP coaching organizations.

Please be aware that the Port of London Authority has the right to ask your level of Thames Skills and Knowledge training, along with limited personal details. All PLA staff will be clearly identifiable and travelling in Official PLA vessels. If you are asked by either the PLA or Active360 staff to exit the Thames or paddle to another location, please ensure that you urgently do so.

Before paddling on the River Thames, we would recommend that you refer to the PLA's Paddling on the Thames Guide - https://www.boatingonthethames.co.uk/assets/Paddling%20Code_Online_pages_.pdf

Please sign below and return with the Hire Agreement.

I agree to adhere to the Navigation Limits above as defined by the Port of London Authority and Active360.

First name: _____

Surname: _____

Signature: _____

Date: ___/___/___