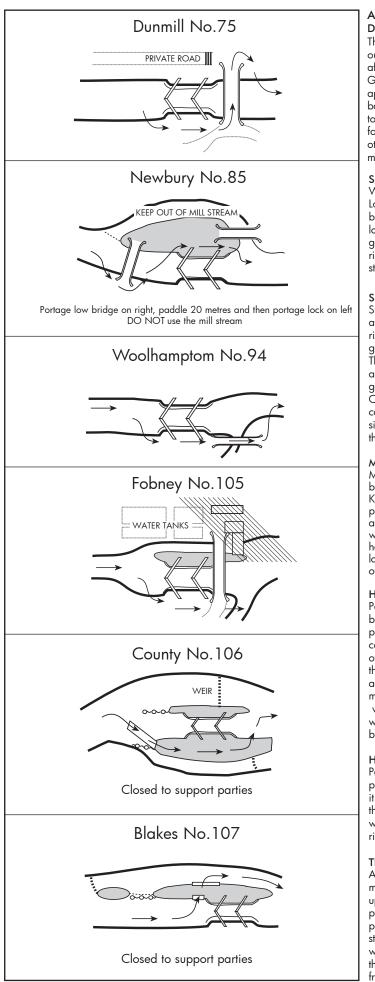
OFFICIAL LOCK PORTAGING DIAGRAMS

KENNET AND AVON CANAL



RIVER THAMES LOCKS

ARTIFICIAL PORTAGE

DREADNOUGHT REACH (WOKINGHAM CC): The portage is on the right hand bank outside Wokingham Canoe Club shortly after you paddle on to the Thames. Get out on the right, run along approximately 150 metres and get back in. There is normally a filter lane to the right for crews planning to stop for food or drink so they do not obstruct other competitors. All competitors must portage here.

SONNING:

When approaching Sonning Lock stay close to the right hand bank and then turn right into the lock cut. Go towards the lock gates and the portage is on the right Be careful; of the narrow steps when putting back in.

SHIPLAKE:

Stay on the left hand bank well away from the weir. Move to the right hand bank when you have gone past the last of the run-offs. These are marked by posts. Go to about 20 metres from the lock gates and portage on the right. Cross the lock island through the campsite and put in on the other side of the island. Take care when the river is in flood.

MARSH:

Move towards the right hand bank as you approach the lock. Keep to the right hand side of the posts and on the left hand side attached to the posts is a pontoon which is for the portage. Get out here on the left and cross the first lock gates and carry on portaging over the wooden footbridge.

HAMBLEDON:

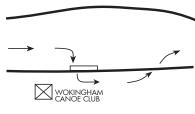
Portage on the right hand side before the white lock posts. The portage is up a grassy bank, continue portage around right side of lock and put in on the left below the lock. As you leave the lock cut and the groynes be careful of the moving water from the weir especic when the river is in flood. The river will push you towards the right hand bank so navigate with care.

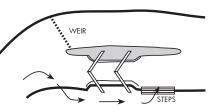
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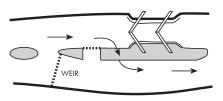
Pass under the footbridge and portage on the left just beyond it. Cross the island and put in the left hand side. Take care when the radials are up and the river is flowing.

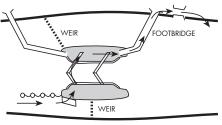
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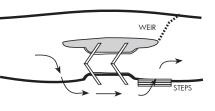
After going under the footbridge move to the left hand bank and go up towards the lock gates and portage on the left. Carry the boat past the lock and walk down some steps to put the boat back in the water. Watch out for the flow from the weir once you move away from the lock. Do not portage the rollers.

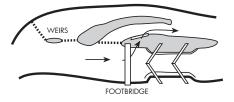


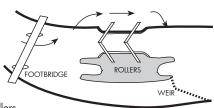












MARLOW:

SUSPENSION BRIDGE

When passing under the bridge keep well into the left away from the weir. Move slightly to the right to pass the right hand side of the white posts, do not move too far right. The portage is on the left on 00⁰⁰ WEIR

the piece of land jutting out just before the lock gates. Portage the left hand side of the lock onto the ramp leading to floating pontoon.

COOKHAM:

Before passing under the road bridge move towards the right hand bank so that you can paddle through the right hand arch. After passing under the bridge turn left taking the middle channel. Paddle down the lock cut and the portage is on the left hand side. Portage left side of lock

ROAD BRIDGE WEIR STRONG -CURRENTS !! WEIR

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and put back in below the lock. Do not use any other arch of the bridge

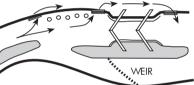
and make sure that you make a wide left turn into the lock cut. This area has very strong currents and should be passed through with care. Do not paddle towards or portage the weir under any circumstances.

BOULTERS:

When approaching the lock move to the right hand side of the Danger sign and stay near the right hand bank until you are almost clear of the weir when you need to move left to , portage on the left hand side up a brick wall. Cross the island and put in on the left, well down stream of the weir.



After the right hand bend in the river move across to the left hand bank. Follow the left hand bank almost to the lock gates where the portage is up some steps on the left hand side. The steps are very



narrow so the alternative portage is to get out on the left

hand bank before the white wooden post which indicates the lock entrance. Put back in after the lock on the right hand side going down some steps to do so.

BOVENEY:

When approaching Boveney stay in the middle of the river, clear of the danger signs and when approaching the lock move to the right hand side of the white groynes down a narrow channel.

WEIR Portage on the right and carry the boat past the rollers and put back in on the left. Beware slippery surface. When moving away from the

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portage be careful of the wooden posts on the left.

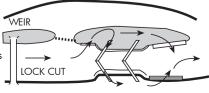
ROMNEY:

When approaching Romney use 🍃 the right hand arch of Eton bridge, stay clear of the weir only moving to the left hand bank when past the weir. This area is exceedingly 🚽 dangerous when the river is in

flood as the river has a standing wave under the bridge and in such circumstances should be portaged on the right before reaching the bridge. Paddle down the length of the lock cut and get out on left before lock gates. Portage left hand side of lock putting in below lock gates. Additional consideration about excess noise is required as this route takes you past the Lock Keepers house.

OLD WINDSOR:

Keep away from the weir on the left as you enter the lock cut. Paddle on towards the lock and portage on the left, up some steps just after a water run-off. Cross over the lock gates and put back in below the lock. This can be a high portage when the river is low.



BELL WEIR:

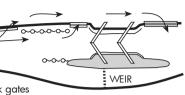
After the sharp right hand bend in the river stay towards the right hand bank and proceed towards the lock and portage on the right. Put the boat back in just below the lock on the left. Supporters

WEIR

must not go to Bell Weir through Runnymede Hotel's grounds. These are for hotel guests only and are out of bounds to supporters and their vehicles.

PENTON HOOK:

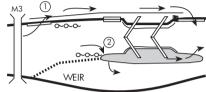
Keep towards the left hand bank and well away from the weir as you approach this lock. There is choice of portage: a) Portage on the left approximately 100m before the lock. b) Paddle right up to the lock gates



and portage left climbing steps. Carry the boat past the lock and put in on the right at bottom of the steps just beyond the lock.

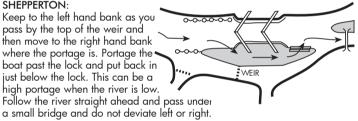
CHERTSEY:

When paddling towards the lock, keep left under the motorway bridge. In times of high flow, remain left, away from the weir. Paddle towards the lock and portage left. Climb out and

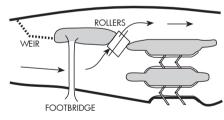


portage the path, putting back in after the lock. Beware flow under Chertsey bridge after portage. Only in low flow, you may portage right by getting out immediately after the weir. Be very careful not to go too close to the weir. Portage into the weir stream straightaway or go the length of the lock island and get back in after the lock.



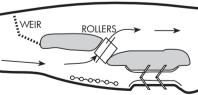


When approaching the lock keep to the right hand bank well away from the weir only moving left once past the weir and portage the rollers. They can be extremely slippery so care should be taken when moving across them. Put back in from the wooden walkway.



MOLESEY:

When approaching the lock keep to the right hand bank well away from the weir only moving left once past the weir and portage the rollers. These rollers can be extremely slippery so care



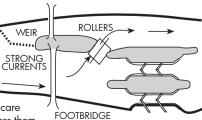
should be taken when moving across them.

Put back in from the wooden walkway. As you move away from the rollers be careful and watch out for moored craft.

TEDDINGTON:

When approaching the lock keep to the right hand bank well away from the weir only moving to the left once past the weir and portage the rollers. The rollers are at the end of the island.

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SUNBURY: