

Routes and mapping

The route

If your route has been done before, maps and tips may be available on the Recreational Rowing website. If it hasn't, put it up there afterwards with advice for others who may want to do the same trip!



You can photocopy Ordnance Survey maps and guidebooks provided they are for your own use and not sold for profit.

The same goes for waterways guides such as Nicholsons – see Appendix. Waterways authorities also have guides, many of which are available on their websites.

Check for any closures with the waterway authority, as occasionally there may be maintenance works or conservation going on that will restrict traffic.

Divide your route into sections – ideally one for each half day – and produce a map for each section. You will need one map, preferably laminated or in a plastic wallet, for each boat plus some spares for the land party. The maps should show:

- Overall distance
- Direction of the tour particularly necessary on lakes and coastal waters
- Locks and other landmarks, with distances between them
- Any hazards
- Possible landing points
- Places accessible from the road for the land party or emergency vehicles

Other maps

If you are travelling to a location away from home, it's a good idea to provide maps showing your participants where you are staying and where to park trailers. Yes, we know most people have SatNav these days, but trailer drivers in particular will be grateful for any advice on the easiest route to take when towing.



