

No Licence No Launch Policy on the canals and river

The maintenance and upgrading of the canal network by the St Francis Bay Riparian Home Owners Association (SFRHOA) has been ongoing over the past year.

In preparation for this year's holiday season public areas around the canals have been undergoing improvements to jetties, canal walls and landscaping. Dredging has been on-going around the



New jetties



Buoys ready to be placed on Kromme River



Make the most of your holiday time in St Francis Bay! Enjoy a leisurely cruise on the canals and/ or Kromme River. There's no better way to view our beautiful village! Daily departures from the Small Boat Harbour, La Digue Place.

Bookings essential:

Brian: 083 266 7825
Sandy: 083 266 7824
Office: 042 294 1894

whole canal system with the dredger which was designed and built in house by the SFRHOA St Francis Bay Riparian Home Owners Association).

The Canal Harbour Office at the end of La Digue place will be open 7 days a week during the holiday season.

The office handles issuing of canal and river licences and mooring rentals and controls access to the harbour slipway where a 'No Licence No Launch' policy is adhered to.

Enquiry's regarding the canal waterways can be referred to the harbour office which will deal with the enquiry or forward it to the relative authority.

Marker buoys donated by the St Francis Bay Residents Association and installed by Little Venice, Brisban B&B and Silverlake Marine have been placed at strategic places in the Kromme river to assist with navigation around the sand banks.

Siltation of the river has reached a stage where boaters must exercise extreme caution to avoid sand banks and submerged rocks. A map of the river showing areas of danger is available at the Canal Harbour Office and will be issued with all licences. To ensure the safety of holiday makers using the Kromme River your Residents Association paid for the printing of maps indicating where various activities can take place.

A big thanks to all those people who gave up their time to position over 50 buoys in the Kromme River so that boaters are aware where the channels exist. These buoys, which were also paid for by the Residents Association, must not be tampered with as they are there to ensure safety. If anyone sees buoys being removed please report this to the office at the canal small boat harbour.

The SFRHOA AGM will be held on the 18th December at 4pm at the Bowls Village Hall.

The Canal Harbour Office contact details are: Phone 0733545432; Email harbour@sfbra.co.za; Web site www.sfbra.co.za

Boating Fines

The following boating and related dispositions will ensue a fine of R500:

Operating a boat not being registered; Failing to secure or moor a boat;

Failing to adhere to safety rules; Allowing a person under age 16 to operate a power boat;

Operating a boat with vision obscured; Using a boat in a reckless and negligent manner;

Exceeding 'no wake speed' 10 meters away; Exceeding the maximum number of passengers;

Disturbing and endangering safety of another boat; Operating a boat without lights after sunset;

Operating a canoe, etc. without lights at night;

Operating a boat above wake speed at night;

Failing to carry refuse containers on a boat; Operating a boat providing accommodation without permission;

Arranging a regatta without permission; Operating a boat with occupants not wearing a safety jackets;

Operating unregistered jet ski, ext.;

Operating craft-in disregard of directives;

Operating craft in a river mouth other than for purpose of gaining access to the sea;

Allowing person under age 16 to operate craft; Operating craft without life jackets; Operating a craft in a reckless or negligent manner;

Exceeding the safety capacity load of craft; Re-fuelling craft on water; Operating craft on mud banks, ext.;

Operating a craft in water less than 50mm deep; Camping or picnicking below the high water mark of a river;

Removing or disturbing birds nest of eggs;

Polluting a river or dam with oil or fuel;

Interfering with or damaging notice boards;

Skiing between sunset and sunrise;

Towing skier closer than 10 meters from another boat; Following closer than 100meters in the wake of another skier;

Using steel cable to tow skier; Kicking out ski where dangerous to other boat or skier;

Failing to show red flag when skier falls; Skiing without wearing personal buoyancy;

Skiing outside demarcated zone; Fishing from a bridge;

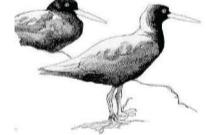
Impeding a navigation channel in a river with a fishing line; Leaving a fishing line unattended;

Spear fishing in a river; Using obscene or abusive language;

Behaving in disorderly or offensive manner; Causing discomfort to others; Disturbing the peace.

SFB Riparian HOA

Email: harbour@sfbra.co.za
Telephone: 0733545432



NO CANAL LICENCE – NO LAUNCH

CANAL & RIVER PERMITS & MOORINGS (1st JULY 2014 TO 30th JUNE 2015)

CANAL PERMITS

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| FULL YEAR (1 st July 2014 to 30 th June 2015) | R 1,080 |
| COMMERCIAL FULL YEAR | R 2,077 |

TEMPORARY CANAL PERMITS

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| One Day | R 108 |
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RIVER PERMITS from 1st July 2014 to 30th June 2015

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| River Full Year | Commercial | Multi river | Single river |
| Up to 15hp | R 347 | R 434 | R 286 |
| 16hp to 120hp | R 657 | R 589 | R 441 |
| Greater than 120hp | R 1069 | R 795 | R 647 |

MOORINGS AT CANAL HARBOUR & SHORE ROAD

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| Full Year (1 st July 2014 to 30 th June 2015) | R 5,000 |
| 1/2 Year (1 st July 2014 to 31 st December 2014) | R 3,150 |
| 1/2 Year (1 st January 2015 to 30 th June 2015) | R 3,150 |
| Weekly (7 days, Monday to Sunday) | R 650 |

Permits and moorings available from:

Canal Harbour Office, La Digue Place, St Francis Bay
Tuesday to Saturday from 8am to 4pm & 7 days a week in holiday season

Notes

COF (certificate of fitness) is required for all boats with an engine in excess of 15hp and for all Jet Skis

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