

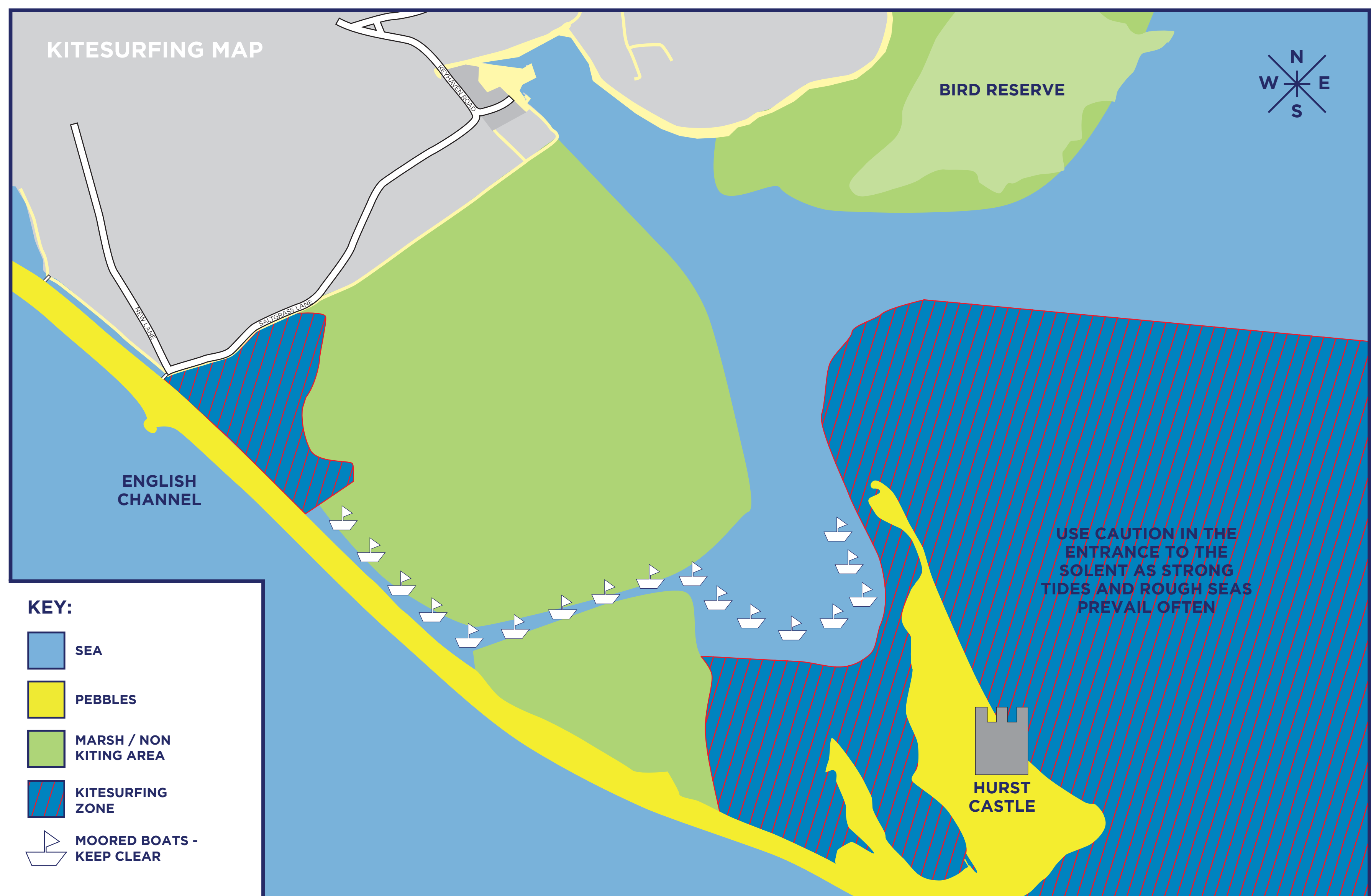
KEYHAVEN KITESURFING



In case of emergency dial 999 or (112 from a mobile) and ask for the Coastguard

This area is an internationally important area for wildlife, as well as a popular visitor location. By following these codes of conduct, you can help to protect this area.

This area is only for competent kitesurfers and is not suitable for learners.



Specific Location Risks

Keyhaven is a location best suited to intermediate to advanced kitesurfing and wingsurfing - no beginners or lessons.

- This area is only suitable at certain tidal times (usually 2 hours each side of high tide).
- Be aware of moored boats - please keep downwind of them.
- Give way to all other water craft.
- There is an exclusion zone - please see map.
- Stay clear of all nesting birds, flora and fauna.
- Launching and landing should be done safely with the aid of a competent assistant and the correct signals.
- Never set up, launch or ride over mudflats or sedge areas (shown in green on the map).
- Do not launch over families, people or any obstacles on the beach.
- Where possible the pilot should have 'wet feet' meaning that they are as far away from solid objects as possible.
- The water is deep and suitable for all board types.
- Ensure you are capable and competent in deep water and know how to perform an effective self rescue before heading out.

BKSA Intermediate or above.
Members of the public - please keep clear of launching & landing kites and always stand upwind of kite flyers who are on land.

Public Information

The Kitesurfing Code of Conduct has been introduced as an attempt to improve the safety record of the sport. However for this to be successful the general public, the parents of families, dog walkers and other water users are asked to play their part by being diligent, be aware of their surroundings and by taking the relevant actions to avoid incidents.

Kitesurfing Code of Conduct

- All riders must hold current 3rd party specialist kitesurfing insurance / BKSA membership.
- Be sure you can handle the prevailing weather conditions - **if in doubt, don't go out.**
- Always assist fellow kitesurfers when launching and landing and treat all water users and public with respect and consideration.
- Always use an effective kite safety leashing system.
- Wrap your lines when not in use and secure your kite properly.
- Keep a safe distance between you and your fellow water / beach users.
- If you lose your kite or board when on the water, **ALWAYS** report it to the Coastguard.
- A kitesurfer must know the rules of the water in relation to other users and abide by them at all times.
- Don't ride alone, buddy up.



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