

LONG TERM MOORING PRICING: POLICY FOR DOUBLE BREASTED BOATS

1. There should be a presumption against double breasting of boats on long-term linear moorings on environmental grounds.
2. Double breasted mooring on linear sites will however be permitted in the following circumstances
 - a) There are established/historic arrangements covered by an existing agreement
 - b) A customer makes a special request to be breasted against a family or friend's boat and both parties are agreeable to the arrangement.
 - c) Historic narrow boat pairs
 - d) Temporary arrangements are necessary to accommodate boats moved temporarily from other moorings for BW operational requirements
3. The price of a mooring permit for each of the breasted boats will be 100% of the normal fee for the site. This principle reflects:
 - a) that both boats have equal access to facilities. There are advantages and disadvantages of inner and outer positions which we believe balance each other, so overall amenity is not diminished.
 - b) BW's costs are the same for the breasted boat as for other boats moored at the site. Cost of servicing is primarily related to the number of people using the mooring, not to size of boat. The number of boats is our proxy measure for number of people. For this reason, two narrow boats will attract two fees, while a single wide beam craft will pay the normal single boat fee.
4. Exceptions:
 - a) An historic narrow boat pair (i.e. motor boat and unpowered butty) that qualifies for the historic boat licence discount will be subject to a single fee, providing that:
 - i. Both boats are licensed by the same customer, and
 - ii. The boats to have concurrent mooring permits with same start and expiry dates.

Two boats that just both happen to enjoy historic boat discounts is not sufficient qualification for the single payment .
 - b) If temporary double breasting is required by BW for operational reasons, there may be a reduction on the fee payable at the customer's normal home mooring to compensate for inconvenience.
5. Transition from existing arrangements

Fees will be levied as above for new customers from 1 April 2005, and for existing customers from 1st June 2005. Where existing customers face a resulting single year increase of more than £250, the increase will be phased using the same scheme as for mooring price increases generally (these are explained in the pricing guideline document).