

“Where are the signs?”

In all there are 20 signs:

9 Forward Control Points (FCPs), which are numbered **F1** to **F9** and 11 Emergency Meeting Points (EMPs) numbered **Em1** to **Em11**.

The difference is important for the emergency services as it identifies potential for a different level of response.

As far as river users are concerned however, as long as they remember to take note of both the letters **and** the numbers on the signs, the difference is academic.

Please Note: except in an emergency, the majority of the locations are not mooring points; please use common sense, and respect the landowners who have agreed to host these signs for the good of all river users and do not moor at these points.

On request, we will supply our information in any of the following formats:

large print; c.d. rom; audio cassette; written using symbols or Braille; or translated into another language.



LEGEND

- Forward Control Point
- Emergency Meeting Point

“How do I summon help?”

- Use your mobile phone to dial 999 or 112 to phone Police, Fire or Ambulance.
- Once through to the service you require tell the operator you are on board a vessel on the river Ouse in York and you wish to report an **‘Ouseplan Incident’**
- State the nature of your emergency and the number (including the letters in front of it) of the last sign you passed .
- Tell the operator whether you are up or downstream and your approximate distance from the last sign, and whether you are midstream, or near to the East or West bank.

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“Where am I?”

If you run into trouble on the river and need assistance it can often be difficult, especially in the more rural stretches, to know exactly where you are.

ROSAG have developed an emergency response plan for the river Ouse within the City of York area which identifies locations on both banks, agreed by the emergency services as suitable for them to access in order to assist river users in difficulty.

These locations are identified by yellow signs with a red border and a number in the centre. As you travel up or down our river, please take time to note which signs you pass. In this way, should you have an emergency and need to summon assistance, you can inform the emergency services of the last sign you passed and whether you are up or downstream from it.

Each service has a copy of the plan, knows the location of the points and can therefore direct their officers accordingly.



River Ouse Safety Advisory Group (ROSAG)

Know where you are in an emergency – Look out for the signs!

Signs have been placed along both banks of the river between Naburn Lock and Upper Poppleton



