

USEFUL INFORMATION IF GOING TO **DENMARK** AS A TOURIST IN A PLEASURE CRAFT.



Topic	Comment
Demographic data (population/no of clubs/members/boats)	5.5 million inhabitants; Estimated 350 sailing clubs; Estimated 100,000 members; Leisure boats bigger than 6 metres 53,000 Approximately 400 harbours.
Currency	Danish crowns (DKR). 1€ approximately 7,50 DKR [ISO DKK]
Formalities, Customs, passport control, visa	EU residents do not need travel documents. Some form of official identity is required. Passport, National ID card etc. Denmark is part of the Schengen agreement. Coming from a non Schengen Country, you have to report to the customs and show all your travel documents.
Banned substances	
Boat's documents required	Proof of VAT payment if the boat is EU-Flagged. Ownership documentation.
Insurance	Insurance is not mandatory in Denmark.
Legislation certificate of competence	For Danish sailors: Boats under 15 metre - no requirement; Speed boats according to formula, a certificate is required Visiting sailors must fulfil the requirement of their flag state.
Alcohol limits	For leisure boats up to 15 metres for local sailors; Sailing – and slow motorboats the law of the sea has to be followed. Speed boats, where a certificate of competence is required, 0.5/ml. Visiting sailors must fulfil the same requirements.
TSS, esp. new ones	Efterretninger for Søfarende/Notice to Mariners. Comes in Danish and English. http://www.soefartsstyrelsen.dk/advarslerEfterretninger/Sider/default.aspx
Military exercise areas	All military exercise areas are shown in Danish charts. It is allowed to pass through, when there is no shooting practice. Shooting practice is announced in Notices to Mariners.
Major construction sites	Notice to Mariners. http://www.sofartsstyrelsen.dk In the period from 2014 (15) - 2020, Denmark will have two large construction sites: Fehmarn Belt (between Germany and Denmark), building a tunnel. Construction of a new bridge between Zealand (Vordingborg) and Falster
Windfarms/wave and tidal energy projects	Denmark has a number of sea based wind turbines. Most of them are in areas where leisure boats cannot navigate due to shallow water. Boats are allowed to pass between the wind turbines in a “park”
Bridges	http://www.danskehavnelods.dk/indexkort/danskesoekort.html http://www.sofartsstyrelsen.dk/SiteCollectionDocuments/Publikationer/Navigation/NtDW.pdf
Habitats and other protected areas	Charts http://www.danskehavnelods.dk/indexkort/danskesoekort.html http://www.sofartsstyrelsen.dk/SiteCollectionDocuments/Publikationer/Navigation/NtDW.pdf
Flag traditions/ application of flag rules	The flag is taken down at sunset, though no later than 2100 and hoisted at sunrise - not earlier than 0800 Guests are expected to fly a courtesy flag under starboard spreader in the same period as the flag.
Weather forecast	The weather forecast is available at http://www.dmi.dk/en/vejr/ (English version) Telephone: 1853 (only Danish) Most harbours show the weather forecast on a screen at the harbour office. Radio Lyngby (VHF) gives forecasts in English on request
Harbours	Net based harbour pilots: www.danskehavnelods.dk , www.sejlsport.dk/tursejlad/planlaeg-din-sejlad/havnelods-og-turboejer www.sejlerens.com Danish Marinas: App to smartphone (iPhone and Android) containing information about all danish harbours. Danish Marinas comes in English, Swedish, Norwegian and German.
Swinging mooring buoys for pleasure yachts	DSA are operating approx. 160 yellow mooring buoys in Danish waters. They are marked “DS – Kun for medlemmer” and can only be used by members.

Anchoring and free access ashore	Basically yachts can anchor anywhere they please, as long as they do not interfere with ships, boats etc. Access to shore is allowed anywhere, although privately owned beaches can prohibit staying. Meaning passage on the beach is allowed, but you cannot stay on it if private.
Good harbour manners	In Danish harbours a quiet environment is expected after 2200 As a guest you can use any available mooring/berth place in the harbour. Very often red/green signs are used and you may find on a green sign a date for the owner's return. When lying alongside pier, expect other boats to raft out.
Safety in harbours	Basically use common sense.
Rescue services	
Pyrotechnics	
Staying during the winter	Contact local harbours regarding availability of spots for boat "on the hard". If staying in the water, check with local harbour. Be aware that some harbours freeze in the winter. Look for Class "A" harbours – insurance companies accept them as not freezing (even though they might). The cold period in winter is very short and it is no problem to stay in water. For the sake of high tides and storm it is necessary to arrange that someone is looking after the boat if it is in the water in winter.
Antifouling regulations	In accordance with EU biocide directive.
Fuel availability	In most Danish harbours diesel is available. In many bigger marinas petrol is available as well. Biodiesel - 7% added to road fuel. No additives to fuel for marine use
Gas availability	Bottled gas in the most common systems generally available.
Pump out stations for sewage and oily water	Denmark follows the HELCOM recommendation 22/1 (2001). Visiting boats must pump sewage ashore. If the flag state has exemptions these apply also in Denmark.
Public transport	Trains: http://www.dsb.dk This link is good but doesn't show all public transport in Denmark This one may be better: http://www.rejseplanen.dk
Shopping hours	Shops are open 7 days a week but there are limited hours on Sundays.
Important phone numbers, home pages and useful links	Danish Sailing Association: www.sejlsport.dk / +45 43262188 www.ftlf.dk (Danish Ocean Cruising Association) Emergency telephone 112. For direct access to a doctor 1813.
Practical advice	

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