

# Marine

## What we do

Shoosmiths is historically aligned to the marine industry and is highly skilled in the provision of the full range of legal services to the sector.

From our nationwide network offices including Southampton and the City of London, our marine team routinely act for boat owners, marinas, banks, insurers, family offices and brokers in relation to issues arising from the sale and purchase of vessels and their upkeep.

We are members of British Marine, RYA, SuperyachtUK, YBDSA and the Superyacht Claims Adjusters Association.



Shoosmiths LLP has a client-focused team that always strives to put the client at the centre of everything that it does.”

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## Areas of expertise

- **Vessel Finance:** advising asset finance companies on marine finance transactions in relation to the acquisition of vessels from superyachts to tug boats, including advising on standard form and bespoke marine loans, statutory mortgages and ancillary deeds of covenant (and other forms of security as required), as well as liaising with overseas counsel in relation to power and capacity opinions, registration and transfer of ownership and tax issues.
- **Real Estate:** we act for and against the owners of inland waterways, holders of riparian (river) rights, marinas and boatyards and have extensive experience in the sale and purchase, finance, leasing, licensing of marine and riverside real estate and coastal land. Our experience also extends to resolving marine real estate disputes efficiently and economically.
- **Marine Trades:** acting for yards on builds and repair contracts, including employment disputes and regulatory issues.
- **Insurance:** advising marine Underwriters on policy wording and routinely instructed on coverage and liability disputes including those relating to placing (non-disclosure and misrepresentation) and claims generally.
- **Enforcement:** routinely acting for established and challenger banks seeking to enforce marine loans, including arrest and judicial sale, through to shortfall recoveries. Also acting for marinas in the recovery of unpaid dues.
- **Dispute Resolution:** including yacht build disputes, claims arising out of marine surveyors' negligence and contractual disputes arising from the sale and purchase or charter of luxury yachts.
- **Personal Injury:** we act for defendant owners, employers and operators in all of the major types of claim arising from accidents aboard yachts and offshore installations as well as ports and other places of work.

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# About Shoosmiths

Shoosmiths LLP operates from 13 locations across the UK, offering clients excellence in all core legal disciplines, together with key specialisms and deep sector expertise. What sets us apart is the way we deliver our services – clients tell us that we get the “people bit” right, listening and investing in the relationships which are at the heart of great service. We’re ready to think differently and deploy our collective experience to meet and exceed each client’s expectations.

## Clients

We hire great people who create fantastic relationships with our clients to help them get the results that they deserve.

As a client of Shoosmiths we will do all we can to help you achieve your goals. We take the time to understand your needs so we can be proactive in looking for solutions and will deliver the highest quality legal advice.

Our focus is on providing an exceptional client experience which incorporates open communication, cost transparency and a consistent service as well as ensuring the people you are working with make everything that little bit easier for you.

## International

Shoosmiths works with individuals and companies investing in the UK, in addition to UK-based clients operating in global markets (the latter, where appropriate, via our membership of the World Services Group, an international network of professional services firms).



Outstanding – quick, resourceful and engaging throughout.”

Client in Chambers UK

## Locations

Belfast  
Birmingham  
Edinburgh  
Glasgow  
Leeds  
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Manchester  
Milton Keynes  
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Nottingham  
Sheffield  
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