



**The Great Lakes - St. Lawrence Seaway System**  
*Le réseau Grands Lacs - Voie maritime du Saint-Laurent*

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**2021 – Pleasure Craft Bulletin #2**  
**WELLAND CANAL SECTION**

**Pleasure Craft Lockages in the Welland Canal**

To limit the potential risk of spreading the COVID-19 virus, the SLSMC is placing certain restrictions on pleasure craft lockages. Visitors are asked to observe these restrictions and follow the guidance of public health officials, including necessary hygiene practices and physical distancing of two meters from others.

**1. Reservation system**

A new [reservation system](#) will be in effect for the Welland canal. In order to ensure a passage through the canal, pleasure craft users are required to make a reservation in advance. The availability is limited.

Follow the links for information on:

- [Pleasure Craft Tolls](#)
- [Pleasure Craft Reservations](#)

**2. Reporting in at the Welland Canal and Pleasure Craft Dock**

*Upbound Transits*

On the day of transit, pleasure craft users with confirmed reservations must be in position at the Port Weller small boat dock by 09:00 a.m. and are asked to report in by calling the Operations Center on VHF Channel 14 (156.7MHz) or via cell phone at 289-690-4344 . Further instructions will be provided at that time.

*Downbound Transits*

On the day of transit, pleasure craft users with confirmed reservations must be in position at the Port Colborne small boat dock by 07:00 a.m. and are asked to report in by calling the Operations Center on VHF Channel 14 (156.7MHz) or via cell phone at 289-690-4344 . Further instructions will be provided at that time.

When the lock is clear and ready for entry, the lock officer will give the green light and instruct the pleasure craft to proceed. Please follow the instructions of Seaway personnel.

Telephones located at the small boat docks will not be available. Users are asked to remain in their boat at all times and refrain from grouped mooring.

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**3. In the Lock**

To meet physical distancing guidelines, no grouped mooring of pleasure craft will be permitted in the lock. Pleasure craft will be secured alongside the lock wall, one positioned after the other.

**4. International Border Crossing**

Pleasure Craft users wishing to cross the international border to transit the locks should first consult with CBSA or Homeland Security as the right of innocent passage may not apply for transit in the locks as a result of COVID-19 restrictions.

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