



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

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LOCKAGE PROCESS WITHOUT MOORING LINES

The following is the procedure for single tugs, tug/barge combinations, and small ships (<160m) that are not HFM eligible and have agreed to be processed without mooring lines at the Canadian Locks. (Please note: mooring lines are required for upbound lockages in the Welland Canal Lock 4, 5 and 6.)

Procedure:

- When the ship is at the L/A2, the lock operator will communicate with the Captain/Pilot to confirm that no mooring lines will be deployed for the lockage and to provide the ship's final stop position in the lock.
- The ship must proceed to its final stop position and maintain its position along the tie-up side of the lock.
- Once the ship is in position, the operator will notify the Captain/Pilot that the lockage will start.
- All upbound lockages without lines will be done as a **slow fill**.
- Once the outbound gates are fully open, the operator will advise the Captain/Pilot to exit the lock.

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