



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

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SEAWAY NOTICE NO. 14 - 2022

## **NEW PROCESS FOR SHIPS REQUIRING TIE-UP SERVICE AT APPROACH WALLS**

Effective this navigation season, the SLSMC will no longer offer subscriptions for tie-up services at the approach walls. Ships will be required to establish their tie-up strategy for approach walls and confirm their strategy with the SLSMC prior to entry into the Seaway :

- Use of landing booms to secure the ship;
- Contract in place for tie-up with a 3<sup>rd</sup> party service provider; or
- Use of SLSMC personnel for provision of tie-up service which will be done on a best effort and fee for service basis
  - For SLSMC tie-up service, 2 SLSMC personnel will secure a maximum of 4 soft lines to tie up the ship
  - Tie-up service does not include a “let go” service

Ships anticipating the use of a 3<sup>rd</sup> party service provider shall make arrangements in advance of their arrival into the Seaway. Prior to delivery of service, the 3<sup>rd</sup> party service provider will be required to obtain:

- Appropriate SLSMC security clearance
- Safety orientation
- Security orientation

Please contact the regional security team to make arrangements for the appropriate security clearance, safety and security orientation:

- Maisonneuve : [surete@seaway.ca](mailto:surete@seaway.ca)
- Niagara: [security@seaway.ca](mailto:security@seaway.ca)

**Important:** Service providers, please contact the security department 2 weeks in advance to allow for sufficient time to obtain the required Seaway security clearance.

### **SHIPS IN TRANSIT**

Ships calling into the Operations Control Center (at CIP15/CIP16 for the Welland Canal or at CIP2/Cape Vincent for the MLO Section) shall identify their tie-up strategy:



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- Use of landing boom
- Tie-up by SLSMC personnel
- Provisions made with 3<sup>rd</sup> party provider (provide name and contact details)

When the Operations Control Center has notified a ship in transit to tie-up at an approach wall, if a 3<sup>rd</sup> party service provider is required, the ship is responsible to:

- Contact the service provider and ensure that they are at the designated tie-up location prior to the interface;
- Confirm with the OCC that the service provider has been contacted and will be at the designated location in time to provide the service.

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