

2023 - NOTICE TO SHIPPING #11

MAISONNEUVE REGION MONTREAL / LAKE ONTARIO SECTION

Walk-through Testing Lockage at Iroquois Lock

Walk-through lockage tests will be conducted at Iroquois lock for eligible ships beginning on July 4th. The tests will run from 07:30 to 16:30, Monday to Friday.

Upbound ships will be advised of the possibility of a walk-through lockage at Bradford call in point and confirmation will take place at Robertson call in point. Downbound ships will be advised of the possibility of a walk-through lockage at Maitland call in point, confirmation will take place at Cardinal call in point. Ships having to embark / disembark personnel, load or unload supplies or equipment are **NOT eligible** to participate.

Final confirmation of the ship's eligibility will be given by the Lock leader during the initial communication, once the ship is at the limit of approach (L/A 2), by stating that a walk-through procedure is in effect and that **both ends of the lock will be opened simultaneously.** Once this communication acknowledged by the Master / Pilot, the ship will be instructed to proceed into the lock at the slowest safe speed, and **must be ready to stop at the 25 m mark in case of emergency.** Ship crew must be at their stations at all times during this operation, ready to deploy mooring wires upon instruction from the lock crew, until the ship has exited the lock. In general, the opposite end of the lock will begin to open once the ship shoulder is at the inbound operating kiosk.

Lock crews will be continuously monitoring the ship's speed, and the state of the operating equipment, and will advise the ship Master / Pilot immediately of any issues. Should the lock leader cancel the walkthrough, the ship is to stop at the 25 m mark, and ship will be secured using the no 2 and no 1 mooring wires. Once the lock gates are closed and ship arrestor lowered, the lock leader will instruct the ship to cast off these mooring wires, and the ship will then be spotted and moored as per normal procedure.

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