



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

2024 - SEAWAY NOTICE # 13

Revised - Tie-Up at Approach Walls at Canadian Locks

Please note: this notice supersedes Seaway Notice no. 6

Ships transiting the Seaway are responsible for making their own provisions for tie-up at the approach walls at the Canadian locks and confirm their strategy with the St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation (SLSMC) prior to entry into both the Montreal-Lake Ontario (MLO) Section of the Seaway and the Welland Canal.

The SLSMC is no longer asking ships to engage a 3rd party service provider for tie-up at a lock approach wall when they can't secure themselves.

- Ships may use their landing booms to land ship crew to secure the ship at a lock approach wall.
- Ships that do not to have a tie-up strategy in place for the lock approach walls may be delayed and/or put to anchor until such time that the traffic pattern can accommodate their transit.

Please note that in the event of an emergency, SLSMC personnel will be deployed to tie-up ships at a lock approach wall on a best effort basis. In this case, an emergency situation comprises a marine accident or incident as [defined by the Transportation Safety Board](#), a failure of Seaway equipment or a severe unforeseen weather event.

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