



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

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**SEAWAY RADIO MESSAGE NO. 9 – 2024**

Mariners are advised that the Montreal-Lake Ontario and Welland Canal drafts are as outlined in Seaway Notice No. 12 of 2024.

It is important for mariners to note that any vessel which enters the Seaway upbound at CIP2 shall be designated a wintering vessel in accordance with all the terms outlined in Seaway Notice No. 12 of 2024.

In addition, the implementation of the power to length ratio restrictions and minimum draft requirements, scheduled to begin December 7 and December 12, are postponed until further notice.

Water temperature at St. Lambert on December 19, is 0.3 degree Celsius. Last year's temperature was 3.6 degrees Celsius. The ten years average is 1.3 degree Celsius.

At midnight December 18, the number of ocean vessels above St. Lambert was 54 as compared to 23 in 2023. Above Port Weller the number was 32 as compared to 15 in 2023.

The Prescott/Ogdensburg ice boom opening has been reduced to 600m and is indicated by quick flashing green and red buoys.

All closing procedures outlined in Seaway Notice No. 12 of 2024 remain in effect.

The next radio message will be issued Friday, December 20, 2024.

The Seaway Control centre will only broadcast critical information on the air.

December 19, 2024