“Sharing Our Harbour”

Commercial Shipping

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The Port of Hamilton is the largest Canadian Great Lakes port!

9,277,282 Metric Tonnes in 2016
100 Years of Vessel Traffic

- 1917: 632 vessels
- 1920: 634 vessels
- 1931: 1560 vessels
- 1950: 956 vessels
- 1960: 1615 vessels
- 1970: 1331 vessels
- 1980: 895 vessels
- 1990: 776 vessels
- 2000: 701 vessels
- 2005: 715 vessels
- 2010: 646 vessels
- 2014: 619 vessels
- 2015: 540 vessels
- 2016: 562 vessels
- 2017: 100 Years of Vessel Traffic
What type of vessels operate in the waters of the Hamilton Harbour?
TUGS

Omni Richilieu
24.27 meters / 79.6 feet

Vigilant I
23.46 meters / 76.96 feet
TANKERS - FOREIGN

Jo Spirit – 107.35 meters / 352.2 feet
BULK CARRIERS
– Self-discharging

John B. Aird – 222.5 meters / 730 feet
BULK CARRIERS

Spruceglen – 222.54 meters / 730 feet

Kaministiqua – 222.54 meters / 730 feet
BULK CARRIER - FOREIGN

Federal Saguenay – 200 meters / 656 feet
Evans McKeil (tug) – 31.9 meters / 105 feet
McCleary’s Spirit (barge) – 115.8 meters / 380 feet
**TOTAL – 147.7 meters / 485 feet**
Why does the Port get involved?

- **Canada Marine Act**
- **Port Authority Operations Regulations**
- **Schedule 1 – Activity List for Hamilton Port**
  - #18 – conducting a race, regatta, trial, demonstration, organized event or similar activity
- **Authorization issued**
OPERATION SAFE AND SOBER
KEEPING HAMILTON HARBOUR SAFE...
ONE BOAT AT A TIME

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SAFE NAVIGATION - ESPECIALLY AROUND LARGE COMMERCIAL VESSELS IN HAMILTON HARBOUR
SOBER BOATING
SAFE OPERATION TIPS

IN PARTNERSHIP
HAMILTON PORT AUTHORITY
HAMILTON POLICE SERVICE
The Results:

- Over 100 boaters were educated on the campaign at local marinas and boat launches.
- Of the 337 vessels stopped during the campaign, 131 (39%) had 1 or more violations present.
- Many of the issues police found were minor and were dealt with by way of verbal warnings and education. A total of 185 warnings were given, representing 85% of cases.
- Several boaters who received warnings upon initial inspection were stopped later in the season and found to be fully compliant.
- Police laid 32 charges during the campaign:
  - 25 under the Canada Shipping Act; 6 under the Liquor Licence Act; and 1 Criminal Code.
- On Labour Day Weekend an impaired boater was taken off the water and ultimately charged with Refuse Breath Sample.
Are there speed limits in the Harbour?
Pursuant to section 56 (1) (b) of the Canada Marine Act

Vessel Speeds

• (a) No vessel shall move in the harbour at a rate of speed that may endanger life or property, and every large vessel when passing any floating property, small vessel or open boat in the harbour shall reduce its speed to ensure the safety of such floating property, small vessel or open boat.

• (b) Without restricting the generality of subsection (1), no vessel shall move at a rate of speed in excess of 50 kilometers per hour, and no vessel shall approach within 150 meters of any wharf, quay, wall, pier, or other landing place or pass through any recognized anchorage or within 150 meters of any shoreline within the harbour at a rate of speed in excess of 10 kilometers per hour.

Burlington Canal Regulations –

3. No vessel shall move in the canal at a speed greater than,

(a) if the vessel is 80 m or less in length, seven miles per hour, or

(b) if the vessel is more than 80 m in length, the lowest speed at which the vessel can be navigated safely.
Promote safe boating practices in the Hamilton Harbour between commercial and recreational vessels

SAFETY ABOVE ALL ELSE