

Notice to Yachters

Topic: Entering Canada

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UPDATE: Effective April 1, 2022 at 12:01 AM EDT, fully vaccinated travellers will no longer need to provide a preentry COVID-19 test result to enter Canada by air, land or water.

As yachters begin planning their summer cruising itineraries, several folks are asking for the latest info on changing COVID-19 border restrictions, many wondering what to expect when entering, cruising within, or cruising through, Canadian waters this summer. This notice provides some high-level information as well as clickable links to further detailed information.

Disclaimer: We do our best to issue timely notices, but to ensure you have the most up-to-date information, always visit <u>www.travel.gc.ca</u> or call 1-800-461-9999. The following was current as of March 24, 2022.

Cruising through Canadian Waters: If you enter Canadian waters for leisure and touring, including pleasure fishing or sightseeing, you are not required to report to the CBSA <u>as long as</u> your vessel does not land on Canadian soil, anchor, moor or come alongside another boat in Canadian waters; that said, even if you don't plan on doing any of those, we recommend you plan for the unexpected and at a minimum, have everything prepared for reporting in, or even better, choose to report in at the nearest port when you arrive in Canadian waters.

Cruising in Canadian Waters: You can only enter Canada by boat through an open marine reporting site and you will be subject to all of Canada's COVID-19 border and health requirements when you do. For vessels carrying fewer than 30 passengers, there are two ways to report in: (1) at a Telephone Reporting Centre, or (2) at a Direct Reporting Site for private marine vessels. A map showing open sites is attached and an updated list is always available online at this <u>link</u>.

Online Resource Links

Border information for international travel: This webpage is a comprehensive directory page for accessing links to more detailed information about crossing the border into Canada.

<u>Reporting requirements for private boaters</u>: This webpage provides more information specific to private boaters who are navigating Canadian waters or hoping to enter Canada by boat.

Find out if you can enter Canada: This webpage provides an easy-to-use web-tool that can assist in determining if you can enter Canada under current COVID-19 restrictions/protocols. Different protocols are in place for vaccinated and unvaccinated travellers, so pay special attention reviewing. If you are travelling as a group, this should be completed for each person. As is always the case, please note that final determination on entry and quarantine is made by a government representative at the port of entry based on the information presented at the time of entry.

<u>ArriveCAN</u>: All travellers to Canada, with limited exceptions, must use ArriveCAN, a free mobile app where you must enter of all your travel information before entering Canada. Ideally, submit your information within 72 hours before your arrival to Canada; however, if you're travelling by marine vessel, you can use ArriveCAN before <u>or</u> upon entering Canada; this is to accommodate for Wi-Fi issues on the water.

Feel free to send questions to info@superyachtcanada.com.