

## LILLY B. PASSENGER COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

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The following are mandatory Covid-19 protocols for passengers riding the Lilly B. These protocols were developed based on guidelines from the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention (MECDCP) and the Maine Department of Economic and Community Development (MEDECD).

- **Passengers feeling sick, having a fever, having other Covid 19 symptoms (per CDC), or having been exposed to someone with COVID 19, should not ride the Lilly B.**
- **Islanders traveling from out of state must not use the ferry for any purpose until they have completed a mandatory 14-day quarantine.** An islander under quarantine must not use the ferry to travel to Bustins Island, even if the islander intends to complete the quarantine on the island. According to BIVC legal counsel "a person who is subject to the mandatory 14-day quarantine must not use public transportation for any purpose, essential or otherwise" (Maine CDC Guidelines. Page 22). After completing the quarantine, islanders may use the ferry. **Exceptions are residents of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont and residents of other states who have taken a Covid-19 test within the past 72 hours, with negative results.**
- **Passengers must have a prepaid reservation for the ferry and island truck.** Reservations must be made at <http://bivc.net> Please reserve essential runs only in an effort to accommodate all islanders' needs.
- **A ferry run is limited to no more than eight passengers to promote social distancing.** This may increase based on guidance from MECDCP/MEDECD.
- **Passengers are responsible for loading and unloading their belongings without help from crew or other passengers.** Passengers arriving must disembark the ferry, then unload belongings one family unit at a time. Passengers departing must wait for the ferry to be cleaned, load belongings one family unit at a time, return to the dock after loading, and wait for boarding instructions from the crew.
- **Belongings are limited to essential items:** food, clothing, bedding, and a limited number of small household items. No freight is allowed: e.g. appliances, bicycles, lawn mowers. For a detailed list of freight see the freight list at <http://bivc.net>.
- **Passengers must arrive at least 45 minutes ahead of the scheduled run** because of limited parking and extra time required for loading belongings. To accommodate as many passengers as possible, the Lilly B must adhere to a schedule. The boat cannot wait if a passenger is late, and there may not be available reservations on later runs.
- **Passengers must provide and wear a face mask/covering** on the ferry, docks, landings, and Brewer/Strouts Marinas. As part of Governor Janet Mills' Stay-Safer-At-Home Executive Order people are now required to wear cloth face coverings in public places where physical distancing is difficult to maintain and includes public transportation such as ferry, or bus; and any transit stop or waiting area.
- **Passengers must use good hygiene:** proper hand washing, avoiding touching the face, using hand sanitizer while boarding the Lilly B, and again wearing a mask or face covering.
- **Passengers must maintain social distance on the dock areas** at both Bustins Island and South Freeport. Passengers may sit close to immediate family or members of their household while on the ferry.
- **Passengers must only use the ferry for essential reasons.** See (Maine CDC Guidelines. Page 5) for more detail. Based on guidance from legal counsel, "being able to reach one's home, seasonal or otherwise, is certainly an essential activity."

For more information about Covid-19 best practices consult Brewers South Freeport Marine, the MECDCP (<https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/public-health-systems/>), MEDECD <https://www.maine.gov/decd/home> and Maine CDC guidelines <https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/epi/airborne/documents/Public-COVID19-FAQ-19April2020.pdf>

Thank you for understanding and adhering to these safety protocols. It is a major adjustment for all involved, but safety is paramount for both the Lilly B crew and to all passengers riding the ferry.

Boat Advisory Committee and the BIVC Board of Overseers