

## Letter to boaters

Dear Boat/Yacht Club Members:

The Department of Transportation and Infrastructure (DTI) has been advised by Transport Canada (TC) Regional Traffic Services, monitoring vessel communications, that Channel 16 must be free of unnecessary transmissions and routine conversation. Channel 16 VHF is a marine radio frequency designated to serve as an international distress signal. This channel is intended for emergencies, distress calls and urgent safety communication. To reduce the interference of other radio transmissions that may occur on Channel 16. As of September 17, all non-emergency communication with DTI operated ferries must be completed on Channel 13.

Furthermore, DTI would like to remind boaters to use the red/green traffic signals located at ferry landings when crossing the cable ferry to allow the safe operation of all vessels.

Your cooperation is appreciated.