



**Administration de pilotage
des Laurentides**

**Laurentian Pilotage
Authority**

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Notice to Holders of Pilotage Licences and Certificates

Subject: Policy on the Use of Cellular Phones and Electronic Devices

This notice is intended for licensed pilots and pilotage certificate holders.

According to two recent investigations conducted by the Transportation Safety Board, the use of cellular phone on the bridge when a pilot has the conduct of the ship raises significant concerns about the safety of navigation.

Therefore, this is a reminder that the use of a cellular phone or electronic devices for purposes other than the performance of your duties may present a risk to navigation. Priority should be given to safety at all times and it is important to give your full attention to the task of pilotage.

It is therefore essential to limit the use of those devices for professional purposes only and ensure their use is undertaken in a sensible way that does not compromise the safety of the ship. In case of personal emergency, their use must be made with caution, at an appropriate time and for a minimum period, and only after informing the bridge team.

We reiterate that notwithstanding the foregoing, the use of a cellular phone or any other electronic device must never and under no circumstances compromise the safety of the ship.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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