Booklet Chart™

Cayuga and Seneca Lakes

NOAA Chart 14791

A reduced-scale NOAA nautical chart for small boaters

When possible, use the full-size NOAA chart for navigation.

- Complete, reduced-scale nautical chart
- Print at home for free
- Convenient size
- Up-to-date with Notices to Mariners
- Compiled by NOAA’s Office of Coast Survey, the nation’s chartmaker

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Nautical charts are a fundamental tool of marine navigation. They show water depths, obstructions, buoys, other aids to navigation, and much more. The information is shown in a way that promotes safe and efficient navigation. Chart carriage is mandatory on the commercial ships that carry America’s commerce. They are also used on every Navy and Coast Guard ship, fishing and passenger vessels, and are widely carried by recreational boaters.

What is a BookletChart™?

This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

Whenever possible, use the official, full scale NOAA nautical chart for navigation. Nautical chart sales agents are listed on the Internet at http://www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov.

This BookletChart does NOT fulfill chart carriage requirements for regulated commercial vessels under Titles 33 and 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Notice to Mariners Correction Status

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.

For latest Coast Pilot excerpt visit the Office of Coast Survey website at http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/nsd/searchbychart.php?chart=14791

(Selected Excerpts from Coast Pilot)

Cayuga and Seneca Canal branches south from the Erie Canal about 41 miles west of Three Rivers. The canal follows the Seneca River and leads south through both Cayuga Lake and Seneca Lake. The canal is 92 miles long to Ithaca, NY, at the south end of Cayuga Lake and to Watkins Glen, NY, at the south end of Seneca Lake including a 2.5-mile cut to Montour Falls, NY, south of Watkins Glen. From the Erie Canal, 1 lock ascends 7.5 feet to Cayuga Lake, and thence 3 locks ascend 64.5 feet to Seneca Lake.

Caution.—Four private special purpose lighted mooring buoys, painted red and white, mark a barge moored about 1 mile northeast of Long Point (42°39.4’N., 76°54.6’W.) on Seneca Lake. Three private special purpose lighted mooring buoys, painted red and white, mark a barge moored about 1 mile northeast of Long Point. Another facility of barge and buoys is 0.25 mile southwest of Portland Point near the south end of Cayuga Lake. The barge and two mooring cables are each marked by a white buoy floodlighted at night. The barge is marked by four vertical lights, one showing fixed white and three showing fixed red.

New York State Canal, Chart Coverage.—The NOS provides chart coverage of the New York State Canal System from the Hudson River at Troy, NY, as far west as Lyons, NY. Coverage of the canal system from Syracuse west to the Niagara River at Tonawanda, NY, is contained in New York State Canal System Cruising Guide, available at http://www.canals.state.ny.us or telephone 800–422–1825.

Channels.—The Great Lakes-Hudson River Waterway Improvement is that part of the canal system including the Erie Canal from Waterford west to Three Rivers and thence the Oswego Canal to Lake Ontario. This system of the section, funded by the U.S. Government and maintained by the State of New York, has a project depth of 14 feet at normal pool level between locks and 13 feet at normal pool level through all locks and guard gates. These channels have widths of 104 feet in earth cuts, 120 feet in rock cuts, and 200 feet in river and lake sections.

Elsewhere in the New York State Canal System, the project depth is 12 feet in all channels and through all locks and guard gates. These channels have widths of 75 feet in earth cuts, 94 feet in rock cuts, and generally 200 feet in canalized rivers.

The canal system is well marked by lights, lighted ranges, lighted and unlighted buoys, and daybeacons, all maintained by the State of New York. The arrangement of aids considers the entire canal system as a waterway extending from the Hudson River to interior parts of the State. All red lights, daybeacons, and buoys are on the right or starboard hand, and all white lights, daybeacons, and buoys are on the left or port hand when proceeding up or away from the Hudson River, or away from the main line in the branches. This extends west to Tonawanda on the Niagara River. However, buoyage in the Niagara River is based on the principle that “proceeding from seaward” is proceeding from Lake Erie toward the Niagara Falls. Mariners are therefore reminded, after exit from the canal into the Niagara River, to keep red buoys to port and green buoys to starboard when continuing on to Lake Erie.

Locks.—The New York State Canal System has a total of 56 locks plus the Federal lock at Troy. The controlling dimensions of the locks are a length of 300 feet and a width of 43.5 feet. The locks and guard gates have a depth of 12 feet over the sills at normal pool level, except 13 feet over the sills in the Great Lakes-Hudson River Waterway Improvement. The lock lifts range from 6 feet to 40.5 feet, with an average lift of 17.7 feet. The guard gates at various points in the canal system have a pier in midchannel with a clear passage of 55 feet on either side.

Regulations.—A speed limit of 6 mph is enforced in the canal, except in the canalized rivers and lakes. In the canalized rivers and lakes, the speed limit is dependent on traffic conditions, and speed limits for the various sections are posted at each lock. Copies of the canal regulations and detailed information regarding movement through the canal are available from the New York State Canal Corporation, Office of Canals, 200 Southern Boulevard, P.O. Box 189, Albany, NY 12201-0189, telephone 800–4CANAL4 or visit http://www.canals.state.ny.us.

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Cleveland, OH

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To make suggestions or ask questions online, go to nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/inquiry. To report a chart discrepancy, please use ocsdata.ncd.noaa.gov/idrs/discrepancy.aspx.

Lateral System As Seen Entering From Seaward on navigable waters except Western Rivers

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For more information on aids to navigation, including those on Western Rivers, please consult the latest USCG Light List for your area. These volumes are available online at http://www.navcen.uscg.gov.
For more detail see
New York State
Barge Canal System
Chart No 14786.
WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

NOTE A

Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2, U.S. Coast Pilot 6. Additions or revisions to Chapter 2 are published in the Notice to Mariners. Information concerning the regulations may be obtained at the Office of the Commander, 9th Coast Guard District in Cleveland, Ohio or at the Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers in Buffalo, New York. Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

CAUTION

PORTABLE WATER INTAKE

Vessels operating in fresh water lines or rivers shall not discharge sewage, or ballast, or effluent water within such areas adjacent to domestic water intakes as are designated by the Commissioner of Food and Drugs (21 CFR 145.59). Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 6 for important supplemental information.

CAUTION

Due to periodic high water conditions, some features charted as visible at Normal Flood Stage may be submerged, particularly in the near shore areas. Mariners should proceed with caution.

NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS

The NOAA Weather Radio stations listed below provide continuous weather broadcasts. The reception range is typically 20 to 40 nautical miles from the antenna site, but can be as much as 300 nautical miles for stations at...
Note: Chart grid lines are aligned with true north.
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NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS

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Rochester, NY  
KHA-53 162.500 MHz (ch. WX-2)
SYRACUSE, NY
WHI-31 162.550 MHz (ch. WX-1)

CAUTION

Limitations on the use of radio signals as aids to marine navigation can be found in the U.S. Coast Guard Light List and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 417. Radio direction finder bearings to commercial broadcasting stations are subject to error and should be used with caution. Station positions are shown here:

□ Accurate location  ■ Approximate location

76° 51' N 29° 31' W
VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:
- **Channel 6** – Inter-ship safety communications.
- **Channel 9** – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.
- **Channel 13** – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.
- **Channel 16** – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.
- **Channel 22A** – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.
- **Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 and 78A** – Recreational boat channels.

**Getting and Giving Help** — Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

**NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards (NWR)** is a nationwide network of radio stations broadcasting continuous weather information directly from the nearest National Weather Service office. NWR broadcasts official Weather Service warnings, watches, forecasts and other hazard information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/nwr/

**Quick References**

- Nautical chart related products and information — http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov
- Interactive chart catalog — http://www.charts.noaa.gov/InteractiveCatalog/nrnc.shtml
- Chart and chart related inquiries and comments — http://ocsdata.ncd.noaa.gov/idrs/inquiry.aspx?frompage=ContactUs
- Chart updates (LNM and NM corrections) — http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/mcd/updates/LNM_NM.html
- Coast Pilot online — http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/nsd/cpdownload.htm
- Tides and Currents — http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov
- National Data Buoy Center — http://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/
- NowCoast web portal for coastal conditions — http://www.nowcoast.noaa.gov/
- National Hurricane Center — http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/
- Pacific Tsunami Warning Center — http://ptwc.weather.gov/
- Contact Us — http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/staff/contact.htm

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