

Coney Island Walk Bridge Installation and Removal Policy



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Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure consistent procedures are followed regarding the removal, in the spring, and the installation, in the fall, of the Coney Island Walk bridge.

Dimensions

The walk bridge is 167 feet long and 3 feet 8 inches wide with 7 (seven) light fixtures attached along the walkway. The walk bridge is made of a wood base with chain link fencing on both sides. The walk bridge sits on floatation billets with evenly spaced out wooden projections to balance the bridge. Ramps are secured to the walkway bridge at either end to allow access to the shore. It is secured to the shoreline with cables which are hooked to anchors attached to the shore.

Procedures

The following procedures are to be followed regarding the installation and removal of the Coney Island Walk Bridge:

- It is not required to contact the Canadian Coast Guard.
- Each year, before the installation of the Coney Island walk bridge, the approval of the Navigable Waters Protection Officer of Transport Canada is required.
- The Parks Supervisor, in consultation with the Parks Staff and Operations Manager, will decide on the date of install and removal of the walk bridge. The walk bridge will be installed within one week before Safety Bay and the north east side of Coney Island begins to freeze. The walk bridge will be removed within one week after Safety Bay and the north east side of Coney Island begins to thaw.
- Advertisement(s) will be submitted to the local paper and radio station one week before installation or removal of the walk bridge. Signs will be erected at the walk bridge site to warn residents of the bridge removal one week before removal. Those Coney Island residents, that

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request it, will be telephoned to inform them of the date of install or removal.

- For safety reasons, two boats with four staff will be used for the installation and/or removal of the walk bridge. Floater jackets must be worn by staff installing or removing the walk bridge. Wind conditions will greatly affect the date of install or removal.
- The walk bridge is to be stored in the bay on the north east side of Coney Island when removed. Anchors are in place in the water in the bay to attach the walk bridge to while in storage. When the walk bridge is removed, the ramps and cables are to be stored on it.

Maintenance

Maintenance of the walkway consists of the following:

- Snow and Ice Removal as required – Sanding as required.
- Twice per year - full boardwalk inspection (May and November)
- Random inspections to be made after walk bridge is installed. Residents are to telephone the Parks Department at 467-2044 to report any repairs or vandalism to the walk bridge. Repairs to the walk bridge will be at the direction of the Parks Supervisor.

Effective Date

This policy shall take effect and come into force upon third and final reading of the applicable by-law.