

BRISTOL YARD- IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR BOATERS PLANNING THEIR TRIP

It is very important to discuss and plan your trip to our Bristol yard with your Bristol Marine service manager, particularly if it is your first time to our facility. Please read through the following information below carefully well in advance of your arrival.

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1 Overview When Traveling to Bristol

Most boats traveling to our Bristol yard do not have clearance issues with nearby bridges in Narragansett Bay, but it is still important to take note of them when planning your trip.

BRIDGE	LOCATION	CLEARANCE	TYPE
Mt. Hope	Bristol-Portsmouth	135' at High Tide	Fixed (non-opening) through truss bridge
Claiborne Pell - Newport	Jamestown- Newport	206' (mid-span) at High Tide	Fixed (non-opening) suspension brige
Jamestown Verrazzano	North Kingstown	135' at High Tide	Fixed (non-opening) cantilever bridge
Sakonnet River	Tiverton and Portsmouth	65' at High Tide	Fixed (non-opening) truss bridge/ box girder bridge

LAYOUT OF THE NARRAGANSETT BAY



2 Yard amenities

Amenities at our Bristol Facility include showers, bathrooms, and ice.

3 Provisions

Please communicate with the Bristol Yard to confirm dock availability prior to docking for provisions as there is limited dock space.

4 Contacting the Yard Prior to Arrival

Prior to your arrival at the yard, please make sure you have confirmed the date and time with your service manager so that we can prepare for your arrival. After you've passed Prudence Island on your approach to our Bristol yard, please contact your service manager so that he/she can prepare to assist you to your assigned mooring. If unable to reach your service manager, please call the office at 401-253-2200 during working hours. If unable to contact the office, please contact General Manager Greg Bartoszuk at 401-601-1181. On weekends and after hours, our launch drivers monitor VHF channel 69 and can also assist you.

5 Tying up to your Mooring

You will be provided with instructions on your mooring prior to arrival. Please reference our "Bristol Yard- Mooring Layout" above. A service manager will provide a mooring number/ coordinates in advance of your arrival.

6 Launch Service

Our Bristol Yard offers a launch service for our mooring customers. To contact our Launch Drivers use VHF channel 69. If unable to reach the Launch Driver, please contact the Bristol Yard Office at 401-253-2200 For hours of operation, please reference the 2023 "Olivia" Launch Schedule.

7 Water Taxi Service

Our Bristol Yard offers a Water Taxi Service for our mooring customers. After filling out the application, our Bristol office will contact you to provide you with the specifics of this service. This service provides transpotaton to Bristol's Historic Downtown shops, restaurants, & hotels

8 Tides, Current and Weather in the Bristol Harbor

The speed of the current in the harbor rarely exceeds 1-2 kts. However, wind can make docking and tying up to a mooring very difficult. Though our docks and harbor are very well-protected from the west, north and east direction we are fairly exposed from the southwest to the southeast winds. In the summer months, winds pick up to 15 kts or more almost daily from the southwest, and this can make boat handling a challenge. Please monitor wind speeds, and plan your arrival (and departure) accordingly!

Note: For the most accurate tide and wind information, please use the Bristol Harbor location.