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Notice to Skippers No. 2/2023.

Pursuant to Art. 14 section 1(4) of the Act of July 20, 2017 Water Law (Journal of Laws of 2022, item 2625 as amended) and Art. 43 section 6 of the Act of December 21, 2000 on inland navigation (Journal of Laws of 2022, item 1097 and item 2642), the State Water Holdings Polish Waters Regional Water Management Board in Białystok informs that:

as of April 28, 2023, opens the waterways of the Great Masurian Lakes System for shipping, which include:

- Lakes: Roś, Seksty, Śniardwy, Mikołajskie, Tałty, Tałtowisko, Kotek, Szymon, Szymoneckie, Jagodne, Boczne, Niegocin, Tajty, Kisajno, Dargin, Kirsajty, Mamry;
- rivers and canals connecting the above-mentioned lakes between the towns of Pisz and Węgorzewo;
- side branches of the Pisz – Węgorzewo waterway, running through the lakes:
 - ✓ Mikołajskie - Bełdany - Guzianka Mała - Guzianka Wielka - Nidzkie (up to 3 km, constituting the border with the "Jezioro Nidzkie" Reserve) together with the Nidzki Canal;
 - ✓ Tałty - Ryńskie;
 - ✓ Niegocin - Tajty - Kisajno along with the Niegociński Canal and the Piękna Góra Canal;
 - ✓ Mamry - Swiecajty.

Shipping is opened at the following transit depths:

Waterway section	Kilometre [km]	Transit depth [cm]
The route of Roś Lake and the Jegliński Canal	0+000 – 6+000	120
Seksty Lake Route	6+000 – 10+000	140
The Route of the lakes: Śniardwy, Mikołajskie, Tałty and Ryńskie	10+000 - 33+000 0+000 - 12+000	180
The route of Bełdany Lake	0+000 – 13+700	180
The Route of the lakes: Guzianka Mała, Guzianka Wielka, Nidzkie up to km 3+000 together with the Nidzki Canal	13+700 – 19+400	120

The Route of the canals: Tałckie, Grunwaldzkie, Mioduński and Szymoński, lakes: Szymonecki and Jagodnigo with Kula Lake and the Kula Canal	33+000 – 49+000	120
The route of the lakes: Boczego and Niegocin	49+000 – 61+000	180
The route of the Niegociński Channel, Tajty Lake and the Piękna Góra Canal	0+000 – 4+200	120
Łuczański Canal Route	61+000 – 62+000	120
The route of the lakes: Kisajno and Dargin	62+000 – 74+000	180
The route of the Kirsajty Lake	74+000 – 76+000	120
The route of Mamry Lake	76+000 – 84+000	180
The route of Świącajt看 Lake	0+000 – 7+900	180
The route of the Węgorapa River and Węgorzewo Canal	84+000 – 86+800	120

The transit depths given refer to the average water value - the reading on the water gauge in Giżycko is 119 cm.

The above-mentioned shipping routes are not suitable for shipping at night.

Working hours of the Guzianka II shipping lock:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Locking times</u>
April 28-30	9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
May	9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
June	9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
July	8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
August	8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
September	9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
October	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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Operating time of the Przerwanki shipping lock:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Locking times</u>
May*	8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
June	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
July	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
August	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
September*	8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
October*	8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**In the months of May, September and October, the Przerwanki lock is open only on working days..*

Shipping obstacles:

- **The Karwik lock on the Jegliński Canal at km 6+000 of the main Pisz - Węgorzewo route** - the lock will be closed throughout the shipping season due to renovation. It is not possible for vessels to pass through the Jegliński Canal at km 6+000.
- **The Guzianka lock I at km 13+700 of the side-route of the Mikołajskie River - Nidzkie River** - lock will be closed for the entire shipping season due to renovation works. During the renovation period, all vessels should absolutely head to the Guzianka II lock.
- **The Łuczański Canal at km 61+800 - 63+930 of the Pisz - Węgorzewo main route** - due to the ongoing renovation, shipping traffic is closed along the entire Łuczański Canal along the length of 2.13 km, except for authorised units. The canal will be closed for the entire shipping season of 2023.
Non-authorised vessels should strictly follow the direction of the Niegociński Canal and Piękna Góra Canal, which are part of the side route Niegocin River - Kisajno River.
Vessels with authorisations will be able to pass through the Łuczański Canal during the opening of the swing bridge.

The swing bridge on the Łuczański Canal in Giżycko

The schedule of opening of the bridge over the Łuczański Canal for shipping traffic for authorised units is available at: <https://gizycko.pl/most-obrotowy-otwierany-tylko-dla-upowaznionych/>

At the same time, we would like to inform you that **from May 1, 2023, the Warning Signaling System** against dangerous weather phenomena on the Great Masurian Lakes will be launched.

In addition, the Masurian Volunteer Rescue Service marks the most dangerous places on the Great Masurian Lakes System, which are located outside the shipping route.

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In order to obtain detailed information on shipping conditions, please contact the Catchment Board in Giżycko from Monday to Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (tel. 87 428 39 92), or the Hydrotechnical Facility Manager (tel. 532 032 745) and read the news published on the website: bialystok.wody.gov.pl in the "Komunikaty nawigacyjne" ["Notices to Skippers"] tab.

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