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Notice to Skipper No. 1/2022

Pursuant to Art. 14 sec. 1(4) of the Act of 20 July 2017, – Water Law (Dz. U. /Journal Of Laws/ of 2021, item 2233, 2368, of 2022 item 88, 258) and Art. 43 sec. 6 of the Act of 21 December 2000 on inland navigation (Dz. U. /Journal of Laws/ of 2019, item 1568, 1901, 2170, of 2020, item 1863), the "Polish Waters" State Water Holding – Regional Water Management Board in Białystok informs that:

as of 25 April 2020, the waterway of the Great Masurian Lake System will be open for navigation, including:

- 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;
- distributary channel of the Pisz - Węgorzewo waterway running through the following lakes:
 - Mikołajskie – Bełdany – Guzianka Mała – Guzianka Wielka – Nidzkie (up to 3 km, constituting a border with the "Nidzkie Lake" Nature Reserve) together with the Nidzki Canal;
 - Tałty - Ryńskie;
 - Niegocin - Tajty - Kisajno together with the Niegociński Canal and the Piękna Góra Canal;
 - Mamry – Święcajty.

Navigation is allowed at the following minimum waterway depths:

Waterway section	Kilometre [km]	Waterway depth [cm]
Route of the Roś lake and Jeglin Canal	0+000 – 6+000	120
Route of the Seksta lake	6+000 – 10+000	140
Route of the Śniardwy, Mikołajskie, Tałty and Ryńskie lakes	10+000 – 33+000 0+000 – 12+000	180

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Route of the Beldany lake	0+000 – 13+700	180
Route of the Guzianka Mała, Guzianka Wielka and Nidzkie lakes up to km 3+000 along with the Nidzki Canal	13+700 – 19+400	120
Route of the Tałcki, Grunwaldzki, Mioduński and Szymoński canals, route of the Szymoniecki and Jagodny lakes, together with Kula Lake and Kula Canal	33+000 – 49+000	120
Route of the Boczne and Niegocin lakes	49+000 – 61+000	180
Route of the Niegociński Canal, Tajty Lake and Piękna Góra Canal	0+000 – 4+200	120
Route of the Łuczański Canal	61+000 – 62+000	120
Route of the Kisajno and Dargin lakes	62+000 – 74+000	180
Route of the Kirsajty lake	74+000 – 76+000	120
Route of the Mamry lake	76+000 – 84+000	180
Route of the Świącjayty lake	0+000 – 7+900	180
Route of the Węgorapa river and the Węgorzewo Canal	84+000 – 86+800	120

The minimum waterway depths given refer to mean water values – a reading of 119 cm at the gauge in Giżycko.

The above-mentioned navigation routes are not suitable for night navigation.

Operation time of Guzianka I and Guzianka II navigation locks:

<u>Guzianka I</u>		<u>Guzianka II</u>	
May	10.00 a.m. – 8.00 p.m.	May	9.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m.
June	10.00 a.m. – 9.00 p.m.	June	9.00 a.m. – 7.00 p.m.
July	10.00 a.m. – 9.00 p.m.	July	9.00 a.m. – 7.00 p.m.
August	10.00 a.m. – 9.00 p.m.	August	9.00 a.m. – 7.00 p.m.

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September	10.00 a.m. – 7.00 p.m.	September	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
October	10.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m.	October	9.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m.

Operation time of Karwik and Przerwanki navigation locks:

	<u>Karwik</u>		<u>Przerwanki</u>
May	9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.	May*	8.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.
June	9.00 a.m. – 7.00 p.m.	June	9.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m.
July	9.00 a.m. – 8.00 p.m.	July	9.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m.
August	9.00 a.m. – 8.00 p.m.	August	9.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m.
September	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.	September*	8.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.
October	9.00 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 on working days only.

Navigational difficulties:

- Jegliński Canal at (km 2+000 – 6+000) – temporary navigation signs are in use due to the repair of bank fortifications;
- construction work is underway to reconstruct and reinforce the following waterways:
 - Mioduński Canal at km 37+050 - 38+970 of the main Pisz - Węgorzewo route
 - Szymoński Canal at km 40+340 - 42+700 of the main Pisz - Węgorzewo route
 - Węgorzewo Canal at km 85+150 - 86+070 of the main Pisz - Węgorzewo route
 - Węgorapa river at km 84+100 - 85+150; 86+070 - 86+800 of the main Pisz - Węgorzewo route.

The organisation of navigation traffic on the above-mentioned waterways will undergo a temporary change, which may result in difficulties and longer passage times. However, users of the waterway must strictly follow the installed navigation signs as well as the instructions of the operators.

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Details on the organisation of navigation traffic on the individual waterways under renovation will be specified in separate notices.

Swing bridge on the Łuczański Canal in Giżycko

The time schedule for the opening of the Łuczański Canal bridge to navigation traffic can be found at: <http://www.gizycko.pl/most-obrotowy.html>.

When planning a trip, it is necessary to take into account the times when the waterway is open for navigation.

At the same time, we would like to inform you that **as of 29 April 2022, the Dangerous Weather Phenomena Signalling System** is going to be activated in the area of the Great Masurian Lakes.

Moreover, the Masurian Voluntary Rescue Service will mark the most dangerous places in the Great Masurian Lake System that are located outside the navigation route.

For more information on navigational conditions, please contact the Catchment Area Management in Giżycko from Monday to Friday, from 8.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. (phone No. 87 428 39 92) or the Hydrotechnical Facility Manager (phone No. 532 032 745) or refer to the news published on the website: <https://bialystok.water.gov.pl> in the "Notices to Skippers" tab.