



“Drifting Ice”- Be Prepared and Plan Ahead

Here are some specific strategies and resources residents of Frontenac Islands can consider preparing for potential ferry delays due to drifting ice:

1. Developing a Comprehensive Emergency Plan

- Spring is getting closer, and the **ice** will begin to drift. This drifting ice can impact the ferry operations.
- Give yourself lots of time to get to your destination if you are traveling. Ice conditions can change quickly and thus impacting on ferry operations.

2. Identifying Accommodation Options

- Do you have a plan if you are delayed in getting to or from the islands? Do you have a place off island that you could stay if the ferry is blocked for longer periods of time?

3. Food and Supplies

- Do you have a good supply of food and water should you be unable to get to town? Stock up on the essentials!

4. Medication and Health Supplies

- Is your supply of “Prescription Medications” plentiful? Assess your own health challenges and make good decisions for your own well-being.

5. Child and Pet Care Preparedness

- What do you need to look after your children, other family members and pets?

6. Emergency Kits

- Get your emergency kit in order:
Visit <https://www.ontario.ca/page/be-prepared-emergency>

7. Seek Guidance from Long-Term Residents

- If you are a new resident to Frontenac Islands talk with someone who has lived on one of the islands for some time and ask them for their experiences. This is not a scare tactic but more about understanding the reality of island living.

By implementing these strategies, residents can be better prepared for any disruptions caused by drifting ice in the spring.