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Cape May – Lewes Ferry Updates COVID – 19 Travel Impacts Foot Passenger Ban Lifted; Vessel Salon Re-opens

CAPE MAY, N.J. – Today, Cape May – Lewes Ferry officials reaffirmed that foot passenger travel – with capacity restrictions and a new, firm on-boarding process – is now permissible on the Delaware Bay ferry service. All foot passengers **MUST** have a reservation, are **REQUIRED** to check-in with the ticket counter prior to boarding, and **MUST** arrive a minimum of 45 minutes prior to departure. Please note that shuttle service is not available this summer from either terminal. In addition, the passenger salon aboard the vessels is now open; however, capacity is currently limited to 20%. The changes were implemented last week.

“We’re pleased to be able to welcome back our foot passenger customers,” said Jennifer Shivers, Assistant Director of Operations. “Folks who’ve traveled with us as foot passengers in the past may be accustomed to simply walking up to the ticket counter and purchasing a ticket prior to the departure of their choice. However, in order to allow for appropriate social distancing measures, foot passenger capacity will be limited this summer and reservations are required due to this limited availability.” Shivers noted that the number of foot passengers allow per vessel crossing is currently capped at 50.

Passengers must wear a face mask and stay socially distanced from anyone not in their traveling party. Passengers are urged to pay attention to the directional signage on board the vessel to help control the flow of traffic. Masks are also required in the terminals, on board the vessels and in outdoor areas while on terminal grounds. Masks may be removed for food & beverage consumption, but we ask that you maintain appropriate social distancing, and please put your mask back on when finished.

Exterior seating is open to all passengers. In order to maintain appropriate social distancing in the indoor areas of our vessels, foot passengers have access to seating in the passenger salon and all other passengers will have access on a first come, first serve basis only.

The Ferry continues to operate a modified departure schedule that includes four (4) daily departures below from both Cape May, NJ and Lewes, DE. Additional crossings are added on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

Departing Cape May, NJ

7:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
2:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m.

Departing Lewes, DE

8:45 a.m.
12:15 p.m.
4:15 p.m.
7:45 p.m.

Travelers who plan to use the Cape May - Lewes Ferry in the near future are urged to call the Cape May – Lewes Ferry Guest Services Center in advance at 800 64 FERRY (800.643.3779), visit us online at www.cmlf.com or like us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter @CMLFerry for the latest departure information.

About the Cape May-Lewes Ferry

The Cape May – Lewes Ferry is owned and operated by the Delaware River and Bay Authority, a bi-state governmental agency created by Compact in 1962. The Ferry is open year-round and has carried more than 45 million passengers since its inception on July 1, 1964. In 2019, the ferry service, which connects Victorian Cape May, New Jersey, and historic Lewes, Delaware, transported approximately 275,000 vehicles and nearly 1 million passengers. For schedule, rates and other program information, please visit the ferry’s website at www.CMLF.com, or call toll free, 800-643-3779. Like us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter @CMLFerry.