

Canadian VHF Frequency Usage

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01	156.050	160.650		X						X			PC	
02	156.100	160.700		X						X			PC	
03	156.150	160.750		X						X	X		PC	
1004	156.200	156.200	X		X					X			IS, SS,C,S	DFO/Canadian Coast Guard only in BCC area. Commercial fishing in EC area.
1005	156.250	156.250	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		SM	
06	156.300	156.300	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	IS, C, NC, S	May be used for search and rescue communications between ships and aircraft.
2006	160.900	160.900	X					Restricted						For experimental Use Only.
1007	156.350	156.350	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		IS, SS, C	
08	156.400	156.400	X		X				X		X		IS, C, S	Also assigned for intership in the Lake Winnipeg area.
09	156.450	156.450	X				X			X		X	IS, SS, C, NC, S, SM	Commercial — BCC area. May be used to communicate with aircraft and helicopters in predominantly maritime support operations.
10	156.500	156.500	X				X	X		X			IS, SS, C, NC, S, SM	Commercial — BCC area. May also be used for communications with aircraft engaged in coordinated search and rescue and antipollution operations.
11	156.550	156.550	X				X	X		X			IS, SS, C, NC, SM	VTS — BCC area. Also used for pilotage purposes.
12	156.600	156.600	X				X	X	X	X			IS, SS, C, NC, SM	VTS — BCC area. Port operations and pilot information and messages.
13	156.650	156.650	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		IS, C, NC, SM	VTS — BCC area. Bridge-to-Bridge navigational traffic.
14	156.700	156.700	X				X	X		X			IS, SS, C, NC, SM	VTS — BCC area. Port operations and pilot information and messages.

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15	156.750	156.750	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		IS, SS, C, NC, SM	Port Operations and Ship Movement — BCC area. All operations limited to 1-watt maximum power. May also be used for on-board communications.
16	156.800	156.800	X											International Distress, Safety, and Calling All Areas
17	156.850	156.850	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		IS, SS, C, NC, SM	Port Operations and Ship Movement — BCC area. All operations limited to 1-watt maximum power. May also be used for on-board communications.
1018	156.900	156.900	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		IS, SS, C	Towing — BCC area.
1019	156.950	156.950	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	IS, SS	DFO/Canadian Coast Guard. Pacific Pilots — BCC area.
20	157.000	161.600		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		SS, S, SM	Port operations only with 1 watt maximum power.
1021	157.050	157.050	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	IS, SS	DFO/Canadian Coast Guard only.
2021	-----	161.650	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	S	Continuous Marine Broadcast (CMB) service.
1022	157.100	157.100	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	IS, SS, C, NC	For communications between Canadian Coast Guard and non-Canadian Coast Guard stations only.
23	157.150	161.750		X						X	X		SS, PC	
2023	-----	161.750	X					X					S	Continuous Marine Broadcast (CMB) service.
24	157.200	161.800		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	SS, PC	
25	157.250	161.850		X						X			SS, PC	
2025	-----	161.850	X				X						S	Continuous Marine Broadcast (CMB) service.
26	157.300	161.900		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	S, PC	
27	157.350	161.950		X			X	X		X			SS, PC	
28	157.400	162.000		X						X			SS, S, PC	
2028	-----	162.000	X				X	X					S	Continuous Marine Broadcast (CMB) service.

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60	156.025	160.625		X						X			SS, PC	
1061	156.075	156.075	X		X					X			IS, SS, C	DFO/Canadian Coast Guard only in BCC area. Commercial fishing only in EC area.
1062	156.125	156.125	X		X					X			IS, SS, C	DFO/Canadian Coast Guard only in BCC area. Commercial fishing only in EC area.
1063	156.175	156.175	X							X			IS, SS, C	Tow Boats — BCC area.
64	156.225	160.825		X						X			SS, PC	
1064	156.225	156.225	X		X								IS, SS, C	Commercial fishing only.
1065	156.275	156.275	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	S, IS, SS, C, NC	Search and rescue and antipollution operations on the Great Lakes. Towing on the Pacific Coast. Port operations only in the St. Lawrence River areas with 1 watt maximum power. Intership in INLD PRA.
1066	156.325	156.325	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		S, IS, SS, C, NC	Port operations only in the St. Lawrence River/Great Lakes areas with 1-watt maximum power. 1 watt marina channel — BCC area.
67	156.375	156.375	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	S, IS, SS, C, NC	May also be used for communications with aircraft engaged in coordinated search and rescue and antipollution operations. Commercial fishing only in EC and INLD PRA areas. Pleasure craft — BCC area.
68	156.425	156.425	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	IS, SS, NC	For marinas, yacht clubs and pleasure craft.
69	156.475	156.475	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		IS, SS, C, NC	Commercial fishing only — EC area. Pleasure craft — BCC area.
70	156.525	156.525	X										All Areas	Voice Communications Prohibited

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71	156.575	156.575	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		S, IS, SS, SM, C, NC	Ship Movement — BCC area. Marinas and yacht clubs — EC and on Lake Winnipeg.
72	156.625	156.625	X		X					X			IS, C, NC	May be used to communicate with aircraft and helicopters in predominantly maritime support operations. Pleasure craft — BCC area.
73	156.675	156.675	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	S, IS, SS, C, NC	May also be used for communications with aircraft engaged in coordinated search and rescue and antipollution operations. Commercial fishing only in EC and INLD PRA areas.
74	156.725	156.725	X		X					X			IS, SS, SM, C, NC	VTS and Ship Movement — BCC area.
75	156.775	156.775	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	IS, SS, SM, C	Simplex port operation, ship movement and navigation related communication only. 1 watt maximum.
76	156.825	156.825	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	IS, SS, SM, C	Simplex port operation, ship movement and navigation related communication only. 1 watt maximum.
77	156.875	156.875	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		S, IS, SS, SM	Pilotage — BCC area; 25 watts. Port operations only in the St. Lawrence River/Great Lakes areas with 1 watt maximum power.
1078	156.925	156.925	X		X					X			IS, SS, C	Fishing Industry — BCC area.
1079	156.975	156.975	X		X					X			IS, SS, C	Fishing Industry — BCC area.
1080	157.025	157.025	X		X					X			IS, SS, NC	Whale Watching — BCC area.
1081	157.075	157.075	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		S, IS, SS	DFO/Canadian Coast Guard use only.
1082	157.125	157.125	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		IS, SS	DFO/Canadian Coast Guard use only.

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1083	157.175	157.175	X		X					X			IS, SS	DFO/Canadian Coast Guard and other Government agencies.
2083	-----	161.775	X				X	X		X			S	Continuous Marine Broadcast (CMB) Service.
84	157.225	161.825		X						X			SS, PC	
85	157.275	161.875		X		X	X	X		X			SS, PC	
86	157.325	161.925		X						X			SS, PC	
87	157.375	157.375	X			X	X	X		X			IS, SM, NC	Port operation and ship movement -EC area. Pleasure craft — BCC area.
88	157.425	157.425	X			X	X	X		X			IS, SM, C	Port operation and ship movement — BCC area.
AIS1	161.975	161.975	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	AIS	Automatic Ship Identification and Surveillance System.
AIS2	162.025	162.025	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	AIS	Automatic Ship Identification and Surveillance System.
WX1	-----	162.550											S	Environment Canada WX
WX2	-----	162.400											S	Environment Canada WX
WX3	-----	162.475											S	Environment Canada WX

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