

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation modes discussed in this section include: bus, rail, water and air. Welland is served by a primary provincial highway, the King's Highway 406, a freeway linked to the Queen Elizabeth Way (QEW) freeway. The QEW links Toronto and the Peace Bridge, which serves as a border between the United States and Canada. Welland is also served by two lesser volume highways, the King's Highways 58 and 140, and several regional arterial highways that link the City with other Regional centres.

WELLAND TRANSIT

Regular Bus Service

Welland’s Transit operates eight bus routes departing from the Downtown Terminal at 15 and 45 minutes after the hour, from 7:15 am to 6:45 pm, Monday to Friday. Saturday service operates from 10:15 a.m. to 6:45 p.m.

West & East Community Bus

- Follows a fixed route that links major residential areas with all popular destinations in the city
- East Community travels the route every half hour from 7:00 p.m. until 11:15 p.m., Monday to Friday.
- West Community operates half hour service from 6:45 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.
- Will stop to pick you up at any corner along the route—simply signal the driver!
- Is equipped with a lift, to be able to serve all Welland residents, including persons with mobility impairments
- Saturday – Community service operates from 6:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on East Community and from 6:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. on West Community.
- These two accessible routes provide extended bus service during off-peak times, from Monday to Saturday mornings before regular bus service begins, and Monday to Friday evenings after regular service ends.

Handi-Trans

Handi-Trans provides public transportation to individuals who are unable to use the regular Welland Transit service and who are registered with Handi-Trans. This service provides accessible door transportation using lift equipped vehicles. Request for service must be made at least 24 hours in advance of required pick up time. If you wish to use Handi-Trans, your doctor must first complete a registration form stating that you are unable to use regular transit service. Once the application is approved, you can start using Handi-Trans service immediately.

Handi-Trans Service Hours:

Monday – Friday	7:15 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:30 a.m. – 6:15 p.m.

Trans-Cab

Welland Transit’s Trans-Cab service is provided for areas of the city not serviced by regular transit buses – Lochness Links and St. Lawrence (north of Quaker Road) in the city’s North end, Cooks Mills in the East end, and Dain City/Vaughn Rd. in the South end. Trans-Cab allows you to book your trip in advance, be picked up at your door by taxi and connect you with the regular Welland Transit buses headed for downtown – all for only 75 cents more than the regular bus fare!

Inter-Municipal Specialized Service

Inter-Municipal Specialized Service, for medical appointments only, is provided by the Niagara Regional Municipality. Please call (905) 680-4821 (ext. 231 or 244).

Welland – St. Catharines Connection

Operates Monday to Friday (excluding Holidays), providing service between Niagara College in Welland and Brock University in St. Catharines. At Brock, bus connections are available to St. Catharines, Thorold and Niagara Falls (transfer fee might apply). Full time eligible Brock University and Niagara College Students travel at no charge with a current photo I.D., from Labour Day to April 30th. There is no service on Statutory Holidays. Limited service will be provided during Christmas Break.

This service operates Monday to Friday at 6:57am (Niagara College departure) and runs until 7:15pm (Niagara College arrival). For Monday to Thursday service only, there are extended hours from 7:15pm (Niagara College departure) to 10:14pm (Niagara College arrival).

Summer hours operate during the months of May to August - Monday to Friday from 7:05am (Downtown Welland Terminal departure) to 6:35pm (Downtown Welland Terminal arrival).

Port Colborne Transit Service

The City of Port Colborne has contracted with Welland Transit to operate their transit system. Port Colborne's transit service is comprised of a local community bus which operates within Port Colborne from 8am-5pm Monday to Friday and the link service to Welland which provides 3 trips per weekday between the two communities.

The link service, which started in October 2007, has been enhanced to include stops at the Seaway Mall and the Welland Transit Terminal. Another enhancement to the service is a revamped fare structure that will allow riders to use Welland Transit Econo and monthly passes for both systems. This will make for a more seamless system that will encourage ridership, provide for more affordable access to employment in both communities and help both cities with their commitment to help the environment.

Source: Welland Transit, 2008

****For more information on any Transit services, please visit: www.welland.ca/Transit****

RAIL SERVICES

Canadian National Railways

This railway services to the East side of the Welland Canal through its Stamford Subdivision.

Port Colborne Harbour Railway (division of the Trillium Railway Co. Ltd.)

The Port Colborne Harbour Railway (PCHR), servicing the West side of the Welland Canal from Port Colborne to St. Catharines, Ontario, is a short line committed to and focused on customer service. It is a full service company, which provides five (5) day per week service (Monday-Friday) to all rail clients and facilities on the line. In the City of Welland, the PCHR services such companies as:

Vesuvius Canada Refractories

Henniges Automotive (Formerly GDx Automotive)

M.J. Jones Inc. Transfer Facility - Dain City Yard

The City of Welland has access to two Class 1 rail carriers. The Canadian National Railways, which interchanges directly with the Port Colborne Harbour Railway and the Canadian Pacific Railway, which has access through inter-switching with the CNR. All interchange with connecting carriers takes place at the PCHR classification yard located at Feeder, Ontario. This interchange is performed daily Sunday - Friday.

PCHR completed the construction of a public team track located in Welland, Ontario. This facility has rail access to both CNR and CPR. The PCHR operates a Government approved railway scale at its Feeder Yard. This is the only rail approved scale in the Niagara Peninsula.

www.trilliumrailway.com

St. Lawrence & Hudson Railway Co.

Eastern Canadian operations and marketing are of CP Rail, they interchange all traffic to CNR or PCHR delivery directly to clients in Welland, Ontario who are located on the east side of the Welland Canal.

WATER SERVICES

Welland Ship Canal

To transit the Welland Canal, a ship cannot exceed 225.5m (740 ft) long, 23.8m (78 ft) wide or exceed 35.5 meters (116.5 feet) in height above the water. Also, the maximum draft allowed in the canal is 8m (26.03ft). The canal is 8.23m (27 ft) deep.

Docking Availability: Wharf 10 is located within the City of Welland. This dock accommodates maximum Seaway size vessels with only one vessel berthing at one time.

AIRPORT SERVICES

Distance from Welland

Service	Kilometers	Miles
Welland – Port Colborne	8	5
Niagara District Airport	30	19
Greater Buffalo International	48	30
Hamilton Civic Airport	70	44
Lester B. Pearson International	135	84

Niagara Central Airport

Located at River Road, Pelham, Ontario; the airport has 2 asphalt runways. Services available include year round Fixed Base Operation offering: flight training, air charter, aircraft rental, storage and maintenance, seaplane launching and aviation products. **Restrictions:** None

General Information:

- Field Elevation: 580 ASL
- Latitude: 42° 58 45" N
- Longitude: 79° 19 30"
- Runway: Rwy 05/23 3500 x 100 asphalt
Rwy 15/33 2670 x 50 asphalt
- Runway Lights: ARCAL 123.5
APAPIRWY 05-23
- Radio: Unicom: 123.5
- Fuel: 100LL
- Flight Planning Available
- Customs: CANPASS only
- Aircraft Deicing Service
- Aircraft Sales and Service
- Parts, Accessories, Maintenance, Inspection, Repairs
- Open 7 days a week, 24 hours a day
- Weather briefing service 1-866-WX-BRIEF (London FSS)
- Centrally located in the Niagara Region

Available Services:

- Convenient Executive Charters
- Fast Reliable Air Cargo Services
- Pilot Training, Flight Training
- Sight Seeing Flights Arranged
- Aerial Advertising
- Instrument Training/ Simulator
- Development Land Available
- Aerial Photography

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