

## New Summer Ferry Schedule - Effective May 1, 2018

In March the Board President put forward three possible scenarios concerning ferry staffing going forward. Two of the scenarios were either do nothing or hire a third crew. The third scenario was outsourcing. During the last crew meeting the Island Manager talked to the crew about how they thought we could manage the work load and still comply with the Coast Guard 12 hour work rule. They have proposed a fourth option that would require a change in our shuttle policy and staffing.

Posted on the website homepage is the new summer ferry schedule change proposed by the ferry crew and adopted by the Board at the April 14th Board meeting.. Their approach is twofold. The idea is to avoid hiring an extra crew; the current crew will get a lunch/supper break and avoid hitting the 12-hour rule.

The first change is to the ferry schedule for Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The basic change on Friday is that there will be no ferry operations after the 5:00 PM run until the 6:30 PM run. **This includes shuttle runs.** (Currently there are no schedule runs at this time but shuttles take up this timeslot so **no shuttling will occur between 5:00 and 6:30 PM.**) Last summer the crew started at 2:30 PM and ran past the 9:00 PM run with no break. This change allows for a mandatory break for the crew. The Saturday and Sunday changes include removing the 2:30/3:00 run and sliding it into the vacant 05:30/06:00 slot and running the ferry straight starting at 3:30 PM until 08:00 PM or the last car. This gives them their break and does not violate the 12-hour rule.

The second part of their idea is to assign a second deckhand on Friday and Saturday during the high summer season. One deckhand would stay on the mainland side and deal with the collection of money and paperwork. The other deckhand would remain on the ferry for loading and offloading of vehicles and passengers. This would allow the ferry to do an immediate turn without having to wait for the deckhand to handle the paperwork. This will increase the number of shuttle runs per hour resulting in faster moving traffic. This is the same process that is currently used for the three holidays during the summer.

The new ferry schedule is effective May 1, 2018 and will run through the busy summer months. A copy of the new schedule is posted on the website below this summary.

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**SUMMER FERRY SCHEDULE - APRIL 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30**

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
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\*\*\* ferry will not operate during these times to allow for mandatory crew breaks. This includes shuttle runs.

**HOLIDAY SCHEDULES - SUMMER**

Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day run on the Sunday schedule.

**WINTER FERRY SCHEDULE - OCTOBER 1 THROUGH MARCH 31**

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
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**HOLIDAY SCHEDULES - WINTER**

Thanksgiving	8:30am - 9:00am	11:30am - noon	6:30pm - 7:00pm										
Christmas Day	8:30am - 9:00am		6:30pm - 7:00pm										
New Years Day	8:30am - 9:00am	11:30am - noon	6:30pm - 7:00pm										

**NOTE: Check for low tide ferry cancellations. They are posted on the HMC website.**

Reservations must be made with the ferry when towing or a vehicle exceeds 25 feet prior to arrival.

Ferry Cell Phone: 253-691-1457

Ferry Rates		
Ferry User Fees	Member	Guest
Vehicle (up through 20') & Driver	\$8.00	\$16.00
Passengers & Walk-Ons		
Age 12 and Over	\$3.00	\$3.00
Age 5 - 11	\$1.00	\$1.00
Under Age 5	Free	Free
Vehicle Length Fares		
21' through 30'	\$16.00	\$32.00
31' through 40'	\$24.00	\$48.00
41' through 50'	\$32.00	\$64.00
51' through 60"	\$40.00	\$80.00
Special Runs	\$175.00	\$175.00
Medical Runs off the island	Free	Free

Basic Ferry Safety Rules
Smoking is not permitted.
Marijuana is not permitted.
Open alcoholic beverages are prohibited (RCW 46.61.519)
Passengers must remain behind the safety lines in place across each end of the ferry.
Passengers must remain in vehicles or passenger cabin while ferry is loading/unloading vehicles.
Passengers under the age of 13 must be under adult supervision at all times. Passengers ages 13-17 who are unaccompanied by an adult must remain in the cabin until a crewmember tells them they may leave.
Propane tanks must be shut off and sealed prior to boarding.
Gasoline is allowed in CG/UL-approved portable containers no more than six (6) gallons in size with no signs of deterioration that could affect sits integrity. Containers must be properly secured for transit ad cannot exceed a total volume of twelve (12) gallons on any one trip.

Access Policy Main Points
Member vehicles must have a valid HMC Sticker. (If sicker is invalid guest rates apply.)
Guests must provide a completed guest pass to the deckhand/purser, filled out and signed by a Member, to be admitted onto the ferry.
Roundtrip payment is required on the mainland side by cash or check.
Charges to Members can only be authorized for utility, service or delivery services.
A reservation must be made in advance and confirmed by the ferry Captain to transport any combination (in-tow) of any length and/or single vehicles longer that 25 feet.
Maximum gross weight is 40,000 pds.
Maximum vehicle length is 60 feet.

Loading/Unloading Procedures
Speed limit on the ramps and boat is 5 MPH.
Follow all directions given by crew.
Set parking break and turn off engine when loaded.
Do not start engine until directed by the crew.
Turn off all vehicle lights while on the ferry, ramp or pier during loading and/or unloading.
To load vehicles proceed to the concrete pier when light turns green. Proceed one vehicle at a time down the wooden ramp and wait at bottom until directed by crew to drive onto the ferry. Follow instructions of crew where and when to park.
To exit the ferry restart your engine and release parking break only when directed by crew. Exit ferry as directed by crew.
Foot passengers may not board when light is green. Passengers are to remain in cabin when ferry is docking or at dock.

Boarding/Shuttling
Ferry crew may begin boarding 10 minutes prior to scheduled departure.
Vehicles/passengers must arrive no later than five minutes before the scheduled departure time to ensure a place either on the current run or a shuttle.
Vehicles/passengers arriving after the five minute cutoff time are not assured a place either on the current run or shuttle.
If additional vehicles/passengers arrive after the cutoff and prior to the final shuttle departure they will only be accommodated as space permits on the shuttle. Any remaining vehicles must wait until the next scheduled run.
The ferry may not make shuttle runs if the ferry crew reach legal work hour limits. Some shuttles may not be made to assure the ferry crew gets required breaks.

Holiday Restrictions
Combinations (in-tow) of any length and/or single vehicles longer than 25 feet will not be transported after noon, the Thursday before Memorial and Labor Day holiday weekends. Restriction dates will be posted for the Independence Day holiday.

Ferry Cell Phone
<b>253-691-1457</b>
Call the ferry to schedule heavy loads, when towing vehicles and any vehicle longer than 25 feet. Confirmed reservation is required by the ferry Captain prior to loading.

Member Responsibility
Members are responsible for their quests actions at all times and to assure a completely filled out guest pass is issued to their guest prior to the guest arriving at the ferry.