



# Hollandsche IJssel Restricted passage

## Works on Hollandsche IJssel barrier



**From 15 April to 30 September 2016 on work days from 06.00 hours until 19.00 hours**

Rijkswaterstaat (Directorate-General for Public Works and Water Management) is to carry out works on the Hollandsche IJssel barrier. These works comprise the installation of new sheet piling, installation of cable ducting, the introduction of soil protection and a new bank revetment. These works are necessary in order to be able to continue to safeguard the stability, barrier function and safety of the barrier. In connection with these works there is restricted passage at the Hollandsche IJssel barrier from 15 April to 30 September 2016 on work days, and occasionally on Saturdays, from 06.00 hours to 19.00 hours. Commercial and leisure craft can only use the Algera locks.

### **Inconvenience**

There is no alternative shipping route. Commercial and leisure craft can use the Algera locks. The Algera bridge will be operated in accordance with the standard operating schedule. A line of buoys will mark and demarcate the work area.

### **Mandatory reporting**

Commercial and leisure craft are required to report to the lock keeper on VHF channel 22. The lock keeper on duty will determine and arrange the passage. Shipping traffic will be directed through the locks using lock entry lights on both sides of the lock. If you have no VHF you can report to the bridge/lock keeper by telephone on (+31 10-450 60 44).

### **Mast-up Route**

The Hollandsche IJssel is part of the Mast-up Route and water levels fluctuate in connection with the tides. The bascule bridge in these locks is 1 metre lower than the fixed bridge, namely at NAP (Amsterdam Ordnance Datum) + 7.40 metres. The precise water level can be requested from the lock keeper on VHF channel 22 or from Dordrecht traffic control centre on VHF channel 71.

## Information

The area of operations is demarcated and marked by a line of buoys. Commercial traffic will be informed via a Bericht aan de Scheepvaart (Notice to Skippers). Shipping can also receive information via VHF channel 22 and information is also displayed on signage along the waterway.

Information can also be obtained via teletext page 721 or the regional Dordrecht traffic control centre (+31 78-633 77 33).

## Algera bridge operating times.

Between 15 April to 30 June and from 1 September to 30 September the bridge will operate according to the standard operating schedule below.

| Days                        | Operating times     |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Monday to Friday            | 06.00 – 06.45 hrs   |
|                             | 09.00 – 15.30 hrs   |
|                             | 18.30 – 20.00 hrs   |
| Saturday                    | 06.00 – 10.00 hrs * |
|                             | 10.00 – 18.00 hrs   |
|                             | 18.00 – 20.00 hrs * |
| Sundays and public holidays | 10.00 – 18.00 hrs   |

Between 1 July to 31 August the bridge will operate according to the standard operating schedule below.

| Days                        | Operating times     |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Monday to Friday            | 06.00 – 06.45 hrs   |
|                             | 09.00 – 15.30 hrs   |
|                             | 18.30 – 20.00 hrs   |
| Saturday                    | 06.00 – 09.00 hrs * |
|                             | 09.00 – 18.00 hrs   |
|                             | 18.00 – 20.00 hrs * |
| Sundays and public holidays | 10.00 – 18.00 hrs   |

Operation for leisure craft (sailing boats) is always 20 minutes past the hour within the standard operating schedule. The last passage for leisure craft is at 19.20 hours and at 17.20 hours on Sundays and public holidays. If commercial shipping is passing through the locks any waiting sailing boats may also join this passage.

\* Bridge opening on demand should be requested from the Volkerak locks bridge/lock keeper at least 4 hours in advance via VHF channel 22 or via telephone number +31 168-477500.

## Inconvenience for road traffic

The works will be carried out from the water which means that, apart from the usual inconvenience relating to bridge operations, no additional inconvenience is expected for road traffic.

## Further information:

[www.vaarweginformatie.nl](http://www.vaarweginformatie.nl), teletext page 721 or call 0800-8002 (free within the Netherlands).