

Winter opening hours 2009 - 2010

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Location	Start date	End date	Name	Description
Aire & Calder Navigation	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10	Main line and Wakefield Branch	Mobile lock-keepers will assist pleasure boaters where possible Monday-Friday, 8am-5.30pm. All locks are mechanised for self operation. Locks will be available during Christmas and New Year for private passage subject to river levels. Enquiries T 0113 2816860
Caledonian Canal	02 Nov 09	21 Mar 10	Christmas stoppage	Monday 2 November to Sunday 21 March open Monday – Friday 9am to 4pm. Christmas stoppage from 24 Dec 1pm to 05 Jan 9am. Enquiries T 01463 725 500
Chesterfield Canal	01 Oct 09	02 April 10	Lock 65, West Stockwith Lock	Winter hours – 1 Oct to Good Friday the Lock will be available for tides between 7am and 5pm a penning can be booked providing not less than 24 hours notice is given. These locks will not be available before 7am or after 5pm. Enquiries T 01636 704481. There is no user self operation. (Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Day).
Crinan Canal	02 Nov 09	14 Mar 10	Christmas stoppage	Open Monday-Friday 8.30am-3.30pm. Christmas stoppage from 24 Dec 1pm to 5 Jan 8.30am. Enquiries T 01546 603210
Dudley No.1 Canal	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10	Dudley Tunnel	Dudley tunnel is not suitable for powered craft at any time. No trip boats will be running throughout Dec and the tunnel will also be closed to private craft during this time. Towing and passage for electrically powered craft is still available but must be arranged with at least 24 hours notice via Dudley Canal Trust T 01384 236275.
Forth & Clyde Canal	01 Nov 09	11 Mar 10	Winter opening times	Open 8am-4pm. BW assisted passages will need to be booked through all locks and swingbridges on the canal. To book T 0845 676 6000. 48 hours notice required. Please note stoppage programme details. Sea Locks and Auchinstarry open 8am-6pm. All locks/bridges closed to all traffic from 3.30pm Friday 18 Dec – Monday 4 Jan Re-opens 8am Tuesday 5 Jan
Fossdyke Navigation	01 Oct 09	02 April 10	Torksey Lock	Winter hours – 1 Oct to Good Friday the Lock will be available for tides between 7am and 5pm a penning can be booked providing not less than 24 hours notice is given. These locks will not be available before 7am or after 5pm. Enquiries T 01636 704481. There is no user self operation. (Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Day).
Gloucester & Sharpness Canal	05 Nov 09	18 Mar 10	Locks and bridges	Friday 25th Christmas Day – Closed Saturday 26th Boxing Day – Closed Sunday 27th – Open Monday 28th – Open Tuesday 29th – Closed Wednesday 30th Closed Thursday 31st – Open Friday 1st Jan – Closed Enquiries T 01452 318000
Grand Union Canal	30 Sept 09	30 Sept 10	Lock 101 Thames Lock	24 hour pre-booking always required. This lock can only be passed when manned by BW. Please consult BW London's Tidal Lock Availability leaflet available on T 020 7985 7200 or www.waterscape.com . Enquires / out of hours booking / information on the Gauging Locks at Brentford: T 020 8568 2779 if leaving a message please allow additional time. High tide times: London Bridge +1 hour. At high water (particularly high spring tides) boaters should be aware of low headroom under Brentford High Street bridge. For passage between 24 Dec and 1 Jan all bookings must be made by 18 Dec. Closed Christmas Day.
Grand Union Canal Leicester Line	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10	Foxton & Watford Locks	Foxton and Watford Locks will be open daily from 8am-3.30pm. Boaters are reminded that they have to be through the locks by the closing time so should plan to get there about 90 minutes before closing.
Huddersfield Narrow	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10	Standedge Tunnel	Convoys – From 31 Oct, when the last convoy transits the tunnel, there will be no more through trips until March. Through trips will resume on Wednesdays and Fridays, from Wednesday 18 and Friday 20 March. Short Trips - There will be no short trips over the winter period. The last date for short trips will be 2 Nov. Short trips will recommence on 4 April.
Kennet & Avon Canal	02 Nov 09	31 Mar 09	Caen Hill Lock Flight	Passage will begin at either Locks 29 or 44 between the hours of 8am and 1pm (to be clear of the flight by 4pm). Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day & New Years Day. Enquiries T 01452 318000
Lancaster Canal	09 Nov 09	31 Mar 10	Lock 7, Glasson Basin Lock	Lockage times subject to tides within daylight hours. Enquiries T 01942 405700
Leeds & Liverpool Canal	03 Jan 10	31 Mar 10	Lock 59 to Lock 85	Closure dates will be posted at each lock. However these are only indications and may vary depending on overall progress made. The winter opening hours will only apply when work at any one lock has been completed.
Leeds & Liverpool Canal	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10	Bingley Five-Rise Locks And Three Rise Locks	Monday-Friday 8.15am-3pm, last entry 30 minutes before closing. Saturday-Sunday closed: On 24-31 Dec, open 8.15-3pm, last entry 30 minutes before closing. (Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Day, 2nd Jan)
Leeds & Liverpool Canal	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10	Spring Garden Lock Leeds to Newlay top Lock	Monday-Friday 8.15am - 2.30pm, last entry 30 minutes before closing. Saturday-Sunday closed: Passage through this section and assistance provided can be done by giving at least 72 hours notice. Only boats with a booking number will be allowed passage through these locks. Contact our customer service office on T 0331 2816860. On 24-31 Dec, open 8.15-3pm, last entry 30 minutes before closing (closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Day, Fri 2nd Jan).
Leeds & Liverpool Canal	09 Nov 09	31 Mar 10	Plank Lane Swing Bridge (operated by BW staff)	At Plank Lane Bridge the following supplies are available: windlass, handcuff and BW Yale keys. Opening times are as follows: mid Mar, Apr, May - 8am-6pm. Jun, Jul, Aug - 8am-8pm. Sep - mid Nov - 8am-6pm, Mid Nov - mid Mar Weekdays 8am-4.30pm Weekends 10am-2pm. Closed for lunch daily 12pm-12.45pm Closed 24 Dec 09 to 04 Jan.
Leeds & Liverpool Canal	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10	Forge Locks	Forge Locks will be non-operational throughout the Christmas period due to the ladder works and gate replacement works.

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Montgomery Canal	02 Nov 09	19 Mar 10	Frankton Staircase Lock 1 to Lock 3	2 November 2009 to 19 March 2010 Lock opening times 12noon until 2pm Monday to Sunday. 48 hours notice of passage is required. Only boats with a booking will be allowed passage through the locks. To book a passage T 01606 723800 during normal office hours from Monday to Friday. The locks will be available for booked passage during the Christmas holidays from the 27 to the 31 December 2009 and the 3 January 2010. The locks will be closed on the 25 and 26 December 2009 and the 1 and 2 January 2010. Passage must be booked BEFORE 10.30am on the 22 December for holiday period. The locks are closed for stoppage works from the 4 January to the 12 March 2010.
Regent's Canal	30 Sept 09	30 Sept 10	Limehouse Lock	24 hour pre-booking always required. This lock can only be passed when manned by BW. Limehouse Lock is manned between 8am and 4pm (1 October -31 March) , 8am and 6pm (1 April-30 September) and at certain times outside these hours as tide permits and if booked in advance. Please consult BW London's Tidal Lock Availability leaflet available on 020 7985 7200 or www.waterscape.com. Enquires / out of hours booking: T 020 7308 9930 if leaving a message please allow additional time. High water times as London Bridge, Lock unavailable for approx. two hours either side of low water. For passage between 24 Dec and 1 Jan all bookings must be made by 18 Dec. Closed Christmas Day.
Ribble Link	16 Oct 09	29 Mar 10	Winter Closure	The Millennium Ribble Link will be closed to passage through the Winter. Enquiries T 01942 405700.
River Ouse (Yorkshire)	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10		Between these dates only the first daylight tide will worked.
River Severn	05 Nov 09	18 Mar 10	River Severn locks	Friday 25 Christmas Day – Closed Saturday 26 Boxing Day – Closed Sunday 27 – Open Monday 28 – Open Tuesday 29 – Closed Wednesday 30 Closed Thursday 31 – Open Friday 1 Jan – Closed Enquiries T 01452 318000
River Trent	01 Oct 09	02 April 10	Cromwell Lock	8am to 4pm. No bookings will be taken outside these hours. No self-operation. (Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Day). Enquiries T 01636 704481
River Trent	31 Oct 09	02 April 10	Holme Lock - Newark Nether Lock	Winter self operation, single handed and disabled boaters can book for assisted passage giving 24 hours notice, for weekends and Mondays bookings will be taken no later than 12pm on the Friday Enquiries T 01636 704481
River Trent	01 Oct 09	02 April 10	Torksey and West Stockwith Locks	Winter hours – 1 Oct to Good Friday the Lock will be available for tides between 7am and 5pm a penning can be booked providing not less than 24 hours notice is given. These locks will not be available before 7am or after 5pm. Enquiries T 01636 704481. There is no user self operation. (Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Day).
River Weaver	02 Nov 09	19 Mar 10	Anderton Boat Lift	Opening Times as follows, from 2 November and 23 December we are available for private passage on Mondays and Wednesdays between the hours of 8.30am until 12pm, and on Fridays from 12.30pm until 3pm. Bookings must be made at least 48 hours in advance by telephoning 01606 872868 during normal office hours Monday to Friday. From the 24 December 2009 until 3 January 2010 the Anderton Boat lift will be closed. From the 4 January until the 19 March we are available for private passage on Mondays and Wednesdays between the hours of 8.30am until 12pm, and on Fridays from 12.30pm until 3pm. Bookings must be made at least 48 hours in advance by telephoning 01606 872868 during normal office hours Monday to Friday. Normal summer hour openings commence from 20 March 2010.
River Weaver	02 Nov 09	19 Mar 10	Locks & Bridges	From Monday 2 November 2009 to Friday 19 March 2010 – Monday to Thursday lock passage available 08.00 to 15.30 hrs Fridays Lock passage available 08.00 to 15.00 hrs Marsh Lock will be available for passage once per weekend by booking in advance giving 48hrs notice on 01606 723 800 From Thursday 24 December 2009 to 3 January 2010 Navigation Closed Please Note: Bridge operations on the Weaver Navigation are only available Monday to Fridays booking is essential with 48 hrs notice on 01606 723 800. To ensure lock passage craft must arrive at least 30 minutes prior to the advertised last lockage time.
River Witham	01 Nov 09	01 April 10	Boston Grand Sluice Lock	Strictly booking only. The lock will be manned Monday to Friday 9am to 3pm. 24hrs notice will be required for passage through the lock Monday to Friday. For passage at weekends and tides out side this time we will require 48hrs notice. Out of hours service may not always be available so early contact must be made and BW will endeavour to meet these requirements (Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years Day). Enquires T 01636 704481
River Lee	30 Sept 09	30 Sept 10	Bow Locks	24 hour pre-booking always required. This lock can only be passed when manned by BW. Please consult BW London's Tidal Lock Availability leaflet available T 020 7985 7200 or www.waterscape.com. Enquires / out of hours booking: T 020 7308 9930 if leaving a message please allow additional time. High water times as London Bridge. For passage between 24 Dec and 1 Jan all bookings must be made by 18 Dec. Closed Christmas Day.
Rochdale Canal	04 Jan 10	31 Mar 10	Lock 84 to Lock 92	The flight will be closed for lock ladder installation
Rochdale Canal	04 Jan 10	31 Mar 10	Summit Passage Lock 36 to 37 in both directions	The flight will be closed for lock ladder and gate installation
Rochdale Canal	09 Nov 09	24 Dec 10	Locks 3 & 4, Tuel Lane	Tuel Lock will be closed during November and December for embankment repairs

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Rochdale Canal	09 Nov 09	31 Mar 10		M62 Passage Wide beam craft must book assistance to travel under the M62. A floating towpath has been installed and 24 hours notice is required. Please contact customer services in Wigan on T 01942 405700 for bookings. Closed 24 Dec 09 to 4 Jan
Sheffield & South Yorkshire Navigation	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10	Keadby Lock - Keadby Swing	Contact lock keeper to book passage - 48 hours notice bridge where possible. Weekend passage must be booked by Friday 12pm. Lock will be operated between 8am and 4pm. Lock will be operated on first daylight tide only. Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day. T 01724 782205 or T 07733 124611
Sheffield & South Yorkshire Navigation	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10		Contact Lock Keeper 24 hours in advance to book passage. Locks will be operated between 8am and 4pm Monday to Friday and 9am until 4pm during the weekends. Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day. T 07710 175488
Shropshire Union Canal	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10	Dee Branch	Passage is available if booked 48 hours in advance T 01606 723800 during normal office hours Monday to Friday. Tidal constraints apply and there will be an out of hours passage charge of £131.40 plus VAT. The branch is closed from 4pm on 19 Dec until 05 Jan. Passage for 05 and 06 Jan must be booked by 10.30am on 22 Dec.
Staffordshire & Worcestershire canal	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10	Bratch Locks	Locks will be open and a lock keeper on duty from 8am till 7.40pm during the summer season (Mar - Oct). The locks are open 24/7 but unmanned during the winter season. It is recommended that the locks are only used during daylight hours in the winter season.
Staffordshire & Worcestershire canal	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10	Stourport Locks	Open 8am till 4pm unless affected by flood waters on River Severn. During winter hours we recommend that the locks are only used during daylight hours. Please also be aware of the opening times on the River Severn Locks which are only manned between 8am and 4pm Thursday to Monday for non commercial traffic.
Trent & Mersey Canal	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10	Preston Brook Tunnel	Northbound open on the hour until ten past the hour. Southbound open at half past the hour until twenty to the hour. T 01606 723800 for enquiries.
Trent & Mersey Canal	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10	Harecastle Tunnel	Harecastle Tunnel operates winter, normal and summer hours in each year. Full details are available from waterscape Passage by booking 48 hours before is available on Mondays and Wednesdays between the hours of 8.30am and 11.30am; and Saturdays between the hours of 10am and 1.30pm. Booking must be made at least 48 hours prior to passage by T 01606 723800 during normal office hours Monday to Friday. For passage between 24 Dec and 04 Jan 10, bookings must be made BEFORE 10.30am on 22 Dec 08. Closed on all Bank Holidays over Christmas/New Year.
Union Canal	02 Nov 09	11 Mar 10	The Falkirk Wheel	Limited opening times for private pleasure craft during winter. Passage should be booked 48 hours in advance, please T 01324 676912. Please note stoppage programme details. Also limited opening over festive period – please ring for details.
Union Canal	01 Nov 09	11 Mar 10	Winter Opening Times	Open 8am-4pm. BW assisted passages will need to be booked through all locks and bridges on the canal. To book T 0845 676 6000. 48 hours notice required. Please note stoppage programme details. Sea Locks open 8am-6pm. Lochrin open 8am-6pm. All locks/bridges closed to all traffic from 3.30pm Friday 18 Dec 08 – Monday 4th Jan 09. Re-opens 8am Tuesday 5th Jan 09.
West India Dock	30 Sept 09	30 Sept 10	Entrance Lock, Isle of Dogs	All lockings must be booked at least 24 hours in advance. Weekend bookings must be made before 12pm Friday. Boaters with a confirmed berth or booked visitor mooring are entitled to a free locking, available from one hour before to one hour after high water, between the hours 7am and 5pm except during the hours of 8am - 9.30am and 4.30pm onwards. All other lockings are by special arrangement only and may be subject to a charge. We may need to contact you to make slight adjustments to your locking time so that several boats can use the lock at once. Lock and mooring enquiries/bookings T 020 7517 5550. Out of hours lock enquiries T 020 7987 7260. High water times: London Bridge minus approx 20 mins. For passage between 24 Dec and 1 Jan all bookings must be made by 18 Dec. Closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.
Worcester & Birmingham Canal	02 Nov 09	12 Mar 10	Diglis Locks	Open 8am till 4pm unless affected by flood waters on River Severn. Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day. During winter hours we recommend that the locks are only used during daylight hours. Please also be aware of the opening times on the River Severn Locks which are only manned between 8am and 4pm Thursday to Monday for non commercial traffic.