

Infrastructure & Port Services		
Critical Terminal Data	Molly Eddy, Harbormaster Rockland Public Landing 270 Pleasant Street Rockland ME, 04841 207-594-0312 meddy@rocklandmaine.gov Arthur Hutchinson, Deputy Harbormaster Ahutchinson@rocklandmaine.gov	LAT 44° 06' 02"N LON 69° 06' 22"W
		Foreign Flagged: Up to 3,000 passengers August 31/Nov 1 up to 9 total ships Domestic Flagged: Up to 500 passengers 3 ships daily Up to 215' at the Public Landing
Piers & Gangways	The Rockland Public Landing is currently the only USCG 105 secure facility in the harbor. • 175' floating dock (approximately 2' above sea level) capable of mooring ships up to 215'. • Mean low water depth of 9' at the dock. • Ships must provide their own gangway.	
Tugs	3 full time ship assist tugs up to 4,000 HP-Belfast Penobscot Tractor Tug Co. 207- 671-4878.	
Port Services	✓ ISPS/MTSA Compliant (46 CFR 105) ✓ Fuel (boat) ✓ Potable Water ✓ Garbage Disposal ✓ Electricity/Shore Power (30 amp 50 amp) ✓ Repair facilities ✓ Marine Supplies	
Guest Services	Direct walking access to downtown sites and activities from berth. ✓ Visitor information Center  5 miles Pen Bay Medical Center ✓ On-site Restrooms  3 miles Owls Head Regional Airport ✓ Free Wi-Fi Port 81 miles Portland International Jet ✓ Taxi services ✓ Public Transport ✓ Parking	

Planned Upgrades	The City of Rockland is currently in the planning stages for upgrades to both the Municipal Fish Pier and Public Floats. These upgrades include the potential for mooring of larger vessels and dedicated commercial floats.
Notional Projects	None.

Climate	
Weather	Rockland Summers are comfortable, the Winters, however are very cold and blustery. It is partly cloudy year-round. The wettest month is November with about 4.4 inches (111 mm) of rain. January is the driest month averaging 1.9 inches (48 mm) of rain. July and August are similarly dry at about 2.6 inches of rain (66 mm). The windier part of the year is October to April, with average wind speeds of 8.9 MPH. The calmer time of year is from April to October with winds predominately from the South at 5.8 MPH on average. Fogs can occur most frequently in Spring and Summer but happen each month of the year. The warmest month is July with an average high of 77 °F and an average low of 59 °F. The coolest month is January with an average high of 31 °F and an average low of 14 °F.

Navigation	
Approach	• A Federal project provides an approach channel and three branch channels within Rockland Harbor, each with a turning basin. • A Recommended Route through Penobscot Bay is established to improve navigation safety of larger ships (the recommended route is well marked on the navigation charts). The routes are comprised of directed traffic lanes each with one-way inbound and outbound traffic. • Use NOAA charts 13309, 13302, 13303 and 13305. • The area may have extensive lobster buoys and commercial fishing activity. • The Maine State Ferry Service offers vehicle ferry access to local islands adding to the traffic make-up. • There is also heavy recreational boating and commercial schooner operations in the area. • Note that the offshore approaches to Penobscot Bay are an endangered Right Whale habitat. • Rockland is a sewage no discharge zone.
Channel Depth	• In 2013, the controlling depth in the entrance channel was 18'. • 13.5' in the Southwestern channel and 14' in the basin. • 11' in the channel leading North to Crockett Point.

	• 11' in the northern channel with depths of 13' available in the Northern basin. • 11' in the Western channel and turning basin. • All channels are buoyed.
Depth at Dock	12'.
Under Keel Clearance	• The recommended industry standard is 10% of the vessel's deepest draft or 3' under keel (whichever is greater).
Tidal Range	10'.
Max Current	2 knots.
Anchorage	• 2 Federal anchorages are in Rockland Harbor which are noted on NOAA chart 13307. • Anchorage A is suitable for cruise ships up to 1100' but ships over 700' are recommended to utilize Dynamic Positioning due to limited swing area. The anchorage is well sheltered with an approximate distance to Public Landing from Anchorage is 3/4 nm. • Anchorage B is suitable for ships up to 450' which is about 0.75 miles from the Public Landing. • Larger ships not equipped with Dynamic Positioning may anchor in Broad Cove with water depths over 65'. Broad Cove is approximately 1.8 miles from the Public Landing.
Pilots	Pilotage is compulsory for all foreign vessels and U.S. vessels under register in the foreign trade drawing over 9'. There are two pilot boarding areas: • Eastern entrance to Penobscot Bay, via Lighted Whistle Buoy PBA at 43°55'37"N, 68°39'37"W and follow the Recommended Route due west. The pilot will board 3 miles East of Penobscot Bay Lighted Buoy WP at 43°55'30"N, 68°48'48"W. • Western entrance, pilots will board at 43°46'36"N, 69°22'36"W approximately 1 mile north of Manana Island (virtual AIS Aid to Navigation) V-AIS "14M" (43°45'19"N, 69°22'28"W). The pilots require 36, 24- and 12-hour ETAs, as no pilot boats are maintained on station. • Rockland is 31 miles from the Two Bush Channel pilot station and 18 miles from Matinicus. • Penobscot Bay and River Pilots Inc. 207- 548-1077.
Turning Basins	Turning basin adjacent to the Rockland Public Landing is 14' deep.
Port Fees	

Fee Structure	Cruise Ships Mooring to the Dock
<i>*fees may increase in 2026</i>	• \$3.00 per foot per-day. • \$600.00 service fee. • \$10.00 per-passenger for ships requiring ISPS/MTSA security (Low-Berth)
	Cruise Ships at Anchor using Tendering.
	• \$5.00 per-passenger.

Maps

