

Reducing PortsToronto's Footprint

PortsToronto is committed to sustainability and protecting the environment. PortsToronto demonstrates this commitment by:

- Being the only port authority in Canada to choose renewable energy for all of its facilities, including Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport. All of PortsToronto's electricity comes from Bullfrog Power's blend of wind and low-impact hydro power.
- Purchasing 13,745 MWh (megawatt hours) a year of renewable energy.
- Partnering with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority in the creation of a wetland area and fish habitat in Tommy Thompson Park on the Leslie Street Spit.
- Encouraging the more than one-third (37 per cent) of people who travel through the airport and walk, take public transit or cycle to Billy Bishop Airport;
- Promoting the shipment of goods through the Port of Toronto. In 2015, more than 1.6 million metric tonnes of bulk cargo were delivered by ship via the Port, taking about 40,000 40-tonne trucks off congested roads and highways. A typical seaway bulk freighter can unload in just five hours and carry the same amount of cargo as 963 transport trucks or 301 rail cars.
- Maintaining PortsToronto's Harbour Clean-Up Program which sees the removal of approximately approximately 150 million pounds (more than 68,000 tonnes) of dredgate, debris and driftwood from the harbour each year—the equivalent weight of about 102 cars worth of material removed every day.
- Consistently earning a 5 Green Anchor Gold rating at the Outer Harbour Marina from the Ontario Marine Operators' Association, being recognized as a marina that follows strict environmental best practices. The OHM is one of the few marinas in the province of Ontario with this designation.
- Other initiatives include:
 - Phasing out of vessels with two-stroke outboard motors and shifting to cleaner and more efficient four-stroke models;
 - Replacing all operational vehicles with hybrid models by 2020, where commercially available; and,
 - Implementing an anti-idling policy for vehicles on all PortsToronto properties.