

Brevard County Waterway Bridges + Canaveral Lock

Printable boating clearance and opening schedule reference | Updated May 21, 2026

Buyer/boater note: Clearance is route-specific. Always verify the exact route from the dock to open water, the vessel's air draft, tide/current conditions, and any temporary bridge/lock notices before purchase or passage.

Bridge / Lock	Waterway / Area	Type	Clearance	Opening / Operating Schedule	Notes
A. Max Brewer / SR 406	Indian River / Titusville	Fixed	65 ft	No opening needed	North Brevard ICW crossing.
Alenhurst / Haulover Canal	Haulover Canal	Bascule	27 ft closed	Opens on request	Clearance boards may show low steel; use caution.
Dr. Sally Ride Memorial / NASA Causeway	Indian River / KSC corridor	Draw	27 ft closed	Check current notices / call ahead	Government/NASA-area bridge; temporary operating changes can occur.
Hubert Humphrey / SR 520	Indian River / Cocoa-Merritt Island	Fixed twin span	65 ft	No opening needed	Primary Cocoa to Merritt Island crossing.
Willard Peebles / SR 520	Banana River / Merritt Island-Cocoa Beach	Fixed	36 ft	No opening needed	Important for Banana River boating routes.
Bennett Causeway / SR 528	Indian River / Cocoa-Merritt Island	Fixed twin span	65 ft	No opening needed	Main Beachline/528 ICW crossing.
Bennett Memorial / SR A1A	Banana River / Cape Canaveral-Cocoa Beach	Fixed	36 ft	No opening needed	Beachline area Banana River crossing.
Christa McAuliffe / SR 3	Canaveral Barge Canal	Draw	21.6 ft closed	Opens hour + half-hour 6am-10pm; no openings Mon-Fri 6:15-8:15am and 3:10-5:59pm except federal holidays; 3-hour notice 10:01pm-5:59am	VHF 9; key route between Banana River/Sykes Creek and Port Canaveral.
SR 401 Drawbridges	Port Canaveral / Canaveral Barge Canal	Bascule	25 ft closed	Opens on signal except Mon-Fri 6:30-8am and 3:30-5:15pm, and Sat-Sun 11am-2pm; 3-hour notice 10pm-6am	Port Canaveral bridge group.
Canaveral Lock	Port Canaveral to Banana River	Navigation lock	N/A	Normal hours 6am-9:30pm; last lockage begins 9pm; VHF 13; phone 321-783-5421	USACE lock; draft up to 12 ft; lockage typically 20-30 minutes.
Mathers Swing Bridge	Banana River / Indian Harbour Beach	Swing	7 ft closed	Opens on signal; 2-hour notice 10pm-6am Mon-Fri except federal holidays	Very low closed clearance.
Pineda Causeway	Indian River / ICW	Fixed	65 ft	No opening needed	Check bridge boards; some boater reports advise caution.
Pineda Causeway East	Banana River	Fixed	43 ft	No opening needed	Banana River side of Pineda route.
Eau Gallie Causeway / SR 518	Indian River / ICW	Fixed	65 ft	No opening needed	Melbourne/Eau Gallie crossing.
Melbourne Causeway / SR 192	Indian River / ICW	Fixed twin span	65 ft	No opening needed	Downtown Melbourne to Indian River crossing.

Quick reminders: Fixed bridges do not open. 'Closed clearance' means the clearance when a draw/swing/bascule bridge is not open. For offshore buyers, bridge height is as important as water depth.

Sources checked May 21, 2026: Waterway Guide bridge/lock listings; 33 CFR 117.273 for Canaveral Barge Canal drawbridge rules; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Canaveral Lock page.

Important: Published clearances can vary with tide, wind, water level, bridge boards, antennas, hardtops, outriggers, and construction/maintenance notices. Verify before relying on this for a vessel purchase or passage.