

## IF FRIOUL EXPRESS FERRY TERMINAL

Marseille, France

**CLIENT /OPERATOR:**  
Port of Marseille

**TIMELINE:**  
2007

**PROJECT DELIVERY:**  
Desing / Built

**PROJECT TYPE:**  
New Construction

Located in France's largest commercial port Marseille, the ferry terminal for Veolia's IF FRIOUL EXPRESS (IFE) is nothing short of impressive. Designed and built to provide the best in modern security, the new ferry docks afford protected moorage and easy access for passengers.

The goal of IF FRIOUL EXPRESS replacement project was to provide ferry passengers with a safe, stable and durable floating platform from which to purchase tickets, wait for incoming ferries and board and depart vessels. Special attention was paid during the desing process to ensure the docks promoted universal access. 890 mm (35 inch) freeboard, 4 meter (13 foot) wide walkways, handrails, single and double flow gangways, and quality lighting were incorporated into the desing to allow passengers to move along the docks and onto the ferries with ease. Close attention was also paid to ensure the new docks were able to resist winds up to 182 km/h and were able to sustain heavy commercial use.

Sewage pumps for dark waters as wellas electrical and water pedestals were included to provide ferry operators with amenities needed to perform daily maintenance and to keep the ferries in working order. The new docks accommodate up to four 200-passenger ferry boats – each 25 meter (82 feet) long.

The IF FRIOUL EXPRESS provides year round service between IF, Frioul and Marseille Old Port for tourist and locate residence.

