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signal for the bridge before the signal requesting opening of the bridge is given, the train may continue across the bridge and must clear the bridge interlocks as soon as possible in order to prevent unnecessary delays in the opening of the draw.

[CGD05-97-003, 63 FR 2311, Jan. 15, 1998, as amended by CGD05-01-007, 66 FR 39445, July 31, 2001; CGD05-06-045, 71 FR 59383, Oct. 10, 2006; USCG-2001-10881, 71 FR 70311, Dec. 4, 2006; USCG-2007-0026, 73 FR 5749, Jan. 31, 2008; USCG-2008-0697, 73 FR 79639, Dec. 30, 2008; 74 FR 17084, Apr. 14, 2009]

§ 117.734 Navesink River (Swimming River).

The Oceanic Bridge, mile 4.5, shall open on signal; except that, from December 1 through March 31, the draw shall open on signal, if at least a twenty-four hour notice is given by calling the number posted at the bridge. The owner of this bridge shall provide and keep in good legible condition clearance gauges with figures not less than eight inches high, designed, installed and maintained according to the provisions of §118.160 of this chapter.

[CGD01-99-075, 64 FR 71655, Dec. 22, 1999]

§117.735 Newark Bay.

The following requirements apply to all bridges across this waterway:

- (a) Public vessels of the United States, state or local vessels used for public service, and vessels in distress shall be passed through the draw without delay. The opening signal from these vessels is four or more short blasts of a whistle or horn or a radio request.
- (b) The owners of these bridges shall provide and keep in good legible condition two board gages painted white with black figures not less than 12 inches high to indicate the vertical clearance under the closed draw at all stages of the tide. The gages shall be so placed on the bridge that they are plainly visible to operators of vessels approaching the bridge either up or downstream.
- (c) Trains and locomotives shall be controlled so that any delay in opening the draw span shall not exceed five minutes. However, if a train moving toward the bridge has crossed the home signal for the bridge before the signal

requesting opening of the bridge is given, the train may continue across the bridge and must clear the bridge interlocks before stopping.

[CGD3 85-42, 50 FR 26712, June 28, 1985]

§117.736 Oceanport Creek.

The drawspan for the New Jersey Transit Rail Operations Drawbridge, mile 8.4 near Oceanport, must open on signal from May 15 through September 15 between 5 a.m. and 9 p.m.; except that, the drawspan need not open 6 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m on weekdays, excluding all federal holidays except for Martin Luther King Day. The drawspan must open on signal upon four hours notice from May 15 through September 15 between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m., and from September 16 through May 14; except that, the drawspan need not be opened from 6 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on weekdays, excluding all federal holidays except for Martin Luther King Day. Public vessels of the United States must be passed as soon as possible at anytime.

[USCG-2001-10881, 71 FR 70311, Dec. 4, 2006]

§117.737 Oldmans Creek.

The draws of the US30 bridge, mile 3.1 at Nortonville, the Conrail railroad bridge, mile 4.0 at Jumbo, and the Salem County bridge, mile 5.1 at Pedricktown, need not be opened for the passage of vessels. However, the draws of any of these bridges shall be restored to operable condition within six months after notification by the District Commander to do so.

§117.738 Overpeck Creek.

- (a) The draws of the Conrail and the New York, Susquehanna and Western railroad bridges, mile 0.0 both at Ridgefield Park, NJ, operate as follows:
- (1) The draws shall open on signal if at least 24 hours notice is given.
- (2) Public vessels of the United States must be passed through the drawspan of each drawbridge as soon as possible.
- (3) The owners of these bridges shall provide and keep in good legible condition two board gages painted white with black figures not less than 12 inches high to indicate the vertical