EFFECTIVE DATE: August 30, 1996.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The final regulation being corrected is § 623.5. In this section paragraphs (c)(5)(A) through (D) are incorrectly designated.

Need for Correction
As published, the final regulation contains errors which may be misleading and are in need of clarification.

List of Subjects in 32 CFR Part 623
Accordingly, 32 CFR part 623 is corrected by making the following correcting amendments:

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1. The authority citation continues to read as follows:

§ 623.5 [Corrected]
2. In § 623.5, paragraphs (c)(5)(A) through (c)(5)(D) are redesignated as paragraphs (c)(5)(I) through (c)(5)(IV).

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Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

Final rule.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

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Special Local Regulation: Provincetown Harbor Swim for Life, Provincetown, MA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a permanent special local regulation for a swimming event known as the Provincetown Harbor Swim for Life. The event will be held on September 7, 1996, and annually thereafter on a date and time published in a Federal Register document. This regulation is needed to protect the participants from transiting vessel traffic during the swimming event.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This regulation is effective on September 7, 1996.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulatory History
A Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) was published on March 20, 1996, (61 FR 11352) proposing the establishment of a permanent special local regulation for the annual swimming benefit Provincetown Harbor Swim for Life. The NPRM proposed to restrict vessels from approaching within 200 feet of any participating swimmer to ensure the safety of participants during the event. No comments were received and no hearing was requested. This rule varies from the NPRM in one regard; it provides the time and date of the 1996 event and provides for the dates and times of future events to be published in a Federal Register document.

Background and Purpose
The annual Provincetown Harbor Swim for Life benefit is a local, traditional event which has been held for several years in Provincetown Harbor, Provincetown, MA. In the past, the Coast Guard has promulgated individual regulations for each year’s event. Given the recurring nature of the event, the Coast Guard is establishing a permanent regulation. This rule establishes a regulated area in Provincetown Harbor, Cape Cod Bay, and provides specific guidelines to control vessel movement during the event. This rule restricts vessels from approaching within 200 feet of participating benefit swimmers.

The event will consist of approximately 150 swimmers traveling 1.4 miles from Long Point Lighthouse to a point 200 yards east of the Coast Guard pier. There will be approximately 25-30 support boats on scene to augment a Coast Guard patrol to alert boating traffic of the presence of the swimmers. In emergency situations, provisions may be made to establish safe escort by a Coast Guard or Coast Guard designated vessel for vessels requiring transit within 200 feet of participating swimmers.

Good cause exists for providing for this rule to become effective in less than 30 days after Federal Register publication. Due to the need to provide the opportunity for notice and comment in the NPRM, there is insufficient time to publish this rule 30 days before the event is scheduled to begin. The Coast Guard believes delaying the event in order to provide a 30 day delayed effective date would be contrary to the public interest given this event’s local popularity.

Regulatory Evaluation
This rule is not a significant regulatory action under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866, and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of that order. It has been exempted from review by the Office of Management and Budget under that order. It is not significant under the regulatory policies and procedures of the Department of Transportation (DOT) (44 FR 11040, February 26, 1979). The Coast Guard expects the economic impact to be so minimal that a full Regulatory Evaluation, under paragraph 10e of the regulatory policies and procedures of DOT, is unnecessary. This conclusion is based on the limited duration of the event, the extensive advisories that will be made to the affected maritime community, and the minimal restrictions which the regulation places on vessel traffic.

Small Entities
Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.), the Coast Guard must consider the economic impact on small entities of a rule for which a general notice of proposed rulemaking is required. “Small entities” may include (1) small businesses and not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their fields and (2) governmental jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000.

For the reasons discussed in the Regulatory Evaluation, the Coast Guard certifies under 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

Collection of Information
This rule contains no collection of information requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.).

Federalism
The Coast Guard has analyzed this rule in accordance with the principles and criteria contained in Executive Order 12612, and has determined that this rule does not raise sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

Environment
The Coast Guard has considered the environmental impacts of this rule and concluded that, under paragraph 2.B.2.e.34(h) of COMDTINST 16475.1B,