

List of Subject in 33 CFR Part 100

Marine Safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and record keeping requirements. Waterways.

Temporary Regulation.

In consideration of the foregoing, the Coast Guard amends Part 100 of Title 33, Code of Federal Regulation, as follows:

PART 100—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for Part 100 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1233; 49 CFR 1.46 and 33 CFR 100.35.

2. A temporary § 100.35–T08–028 is added to read as follows:

§ 100.35–T08–028 Special Local Regulation, Ohio River, Beech Bottom, WV.

(a) Regulated Area: A regulated area is established on the Ohio River, which consists of all waters, bank-to-bank, inside mile markers 77.2 to 78.0.

(b) Special Local Regulation:

(1) Entry into the regulated area is closed to all commercial and recreational marine traffic from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. EST on July 4 and 5, 1998 without the consent of the Captain of the Port, Pittsburgh.

(2) Only vessels participating in the speed boat race and sponsor safety vessels will be permitted in the regulated area.

(3) There will be periodic breaks in the schedule. Vessels wishing to transit the area must coordinate passage with the Coast Guard Patrol Commander.

(c) Dates: This section is effective at 9:30 a.m. and terminates at 6:30 p.m. EST on July 4 and 5, 1998.

Dated: June 11, 1998.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Coast Guard****33 CFR Part 117**

[CGD 08–98–028]

Drawbridge Operating Regulation; Lafourche Bayou, LA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District has issued a temporary deviation from the regulation

governing the operation of the SR 1 vertical lift bridge across Lafourche Bayou, mile 13.3, in Leeville, Lafourche Parish, Louisiana. This deviation allows the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to close the bridge to navigation continuously from 7 a.m. on Tuesday through 7 p.m. on Thursday each week from July 7, 1998 through July 30, 1998. This temporary deviation is issued to allow for the replacement of all four sets of lift cables for the vertical lift span.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 7 a.m. on July 7, 1998 until 7 p.m. on July 9, 1998; from 7 a.m. on July 14, 1998 until 7 p.m. on July 16, 1998; from 7 a.m. on July 21, 1998 until 7 p.m. on July 23, 1998; and from 7 a.m. on July 28, 1998 until 7 p.m. on July 30, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Phil Johnson or Mr. David Frank, Bridge Administration Branch, Commander (ob), Eighth Coast Guard District, 501 Magazine Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70130–3396, telephone number 504–589–2965.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SR 1 vertical lift span bridge across Lafourche Bayou in Leeville, Lafourche Parish, Louisiana has a vertical clearance of 40 feet above mean high water in the closed-to-navigation position. Mean high water elevation is 3 feet above Mean Sea Level (MSL). Navigation on the waterway consists primarily of fishing vessels, some tugs with tows and occasional recreational craft. Presently, the draw opens on signal for the passage of vessels.

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development requested a temporary deviation from the normal operation of the bridge in order to do maintenance work on the bridge. The work consists of replacing all four sets of lift cables of the vertical lift span. The cables are worn, have begun to fray, and are in need of immediate replacement. This work is essential for the continued safe operation of the vertical lift span.

The District Commander has, therefore, issued a deviation from the regulations in 33 CFR 117.5 authorizing the SR 1 vertical lift span bridge across Lafourche Bayou, Louisiana to remain in the closed-to-navigation position continuously from 7 a.m. on Tuesday through 7 p.m. on Thursday each week from July 7, 1998 through July 30, 1998.

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Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, Florida

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is removing the regulations governing the operation of the Flagler Beach Bridge (SR 100) mile 810.6, at Flagler Beach, Florida. This drawbridge has been removed and replaced by a higher fixed bridge and there is no longer a need for the regulation.

DATES: This rule is effective June 19, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Evelyn Smart, Project Manager, Bridge Section, at (305) 536–6546.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background and Purpose**

The bridge regulation for the Flagler Beach Bridge (SR 100) was published in the **Federal Register** on October 13, 1995 [60 FR 53274]. The regulation established draw times for the opening of the drawbridge. This drawbridge was replaced by a new higher fixed level bridge, which opened to vehicular traffic in June, 1997. All parts of the old drawbridge not used in the new fixed bridge have been removed from the waterway. Therefore, the regulation governing the operation of the old drawbridge is no longer necessary and the Coast Guard is removing 33 CFR 117.261(e).

The Coast Guard finds in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553, that good cause exists for proceeding directly to final rule and making this rule effective in less than 30 days. This final rule removes a bridge regulation for a drawbridge that was removed in June 1997. Therefore, publishing a notice of proposed rulemaking or delaying the effective date of the final rule is unnecessary and the Coast Guard is proceeding to final rule, effective upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

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. The office of Management and Budget under that order has not