PART 117—DRAWBRIDGE OPERATION REGULATIONS

1. The authority citation for part 117 continues to read as follows:


2. Revise §117.258 to read as follows:

§117.258 Apalachicola River.

(a) The draw of the Apalachicola and Northern Railroad Bridge, mile 4.5 (GIWW mile 347.0 EHL), at Apalachicola, is maintained in the fully open-to-navigation position and extended. The bridge will not be returned to service until proper notification is published in the Federal Register.

(b) The draw of the CSX Railroad Bridge, mile 105.9, at River Junction shall open on signal if at least eight hours notice is given.

Roy A. Nash,
Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[Docket No. USCG–2012–1061]

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, Louisiana

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard has issued a temporary deviation from the regulation governing the operation of the Lapalco Boulevard bascule span drawbridge across the Harvey Canal Route, Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (GIWW), mile 2.8 at New Orleans, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana. The deviation is necessary to allow for the removal and replacement of the bridge’s electrical components. This deviation allows the bridge to remain closed to navigation for eight consecutive days.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 6 a.m. on Thursday, January 10, 2013, until 6 a.m. on Friday, January 18, 2013.

ADDRESSES: The docket for this temporary deviation, USCG–2012–1061, is available online by going to http://www.regulations.gov, inserting USCG–2012–1061 in the “Search” box and then clicking “Search.” The docket is also available for inspection or copying at the Docket Management Facility (M–30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this rule, call or email Kay Wade, Bridge Branch Office, Coast Guard; telephone 504–671–2128, email Kay.B.Wade@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–366–9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Jefferson Parish has requested a temporary deviation from the operating schedule for the Bascule Span Bridge across the Harvey Canal Route, Intracoastal Waterway, mile 2.8 at New Orleans, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana. The bridge has a vertical clearance of 45 feet above mean high water in the closed-to-navigation position and unlimited in the open-to-navigation position. Vessels requiring a clearance of less than 45 feet may transit beneath the bridge during maintenance operations.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.451(a), the bridge currently opens on signal for the passage of vessels; except that, from 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and from 3:45 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. Monday through Friday except holidays, the draw need not be opened for the passage of vessels. This deviation allows the bridge to remain closed to navigation from 6 a.m. on Thursday, January 10, 2013, until 6 a.m. on Friday, January 18, 2013. At all other times, the bridge will open on signal for the passage of vessels in accordance with 33 CFR 117.451(a).

The closure is necessary in order to remove and replace the bridge’s electrical system. This maintenance is essential for the continued operation of the bridge. Notices will be published in the Eighth Coast Guard District Local Notice to Mariners and will be broadcast via the Coast Guard Broadcast Notice to Mariners System.

Navigation on the waterway consists mainly of tugs with tows with some commercial fishing vessels and recreational craft. Coordination between the Coast Guard and the waterway users determined that there should not be any significant effects on these vessels. The bridge will be unable to open during these repairs; however, an alternate route is available via the GIWW (Algiers Alternate Route).

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(e), the drawbridge must return to its regular operating schedule immediately at the end of the effective period of this temporary deviation. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: December 5, 2012.
David M. Frank,
Bridge Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket No. USCG–2012–0993]

Safety Zone; Sacramento New Year’s Eve Fireworks Display, Sacramento River, Sacramento, CA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce the 1,000 foot safety zones during the Sacramento New Year’s Eve Fireworks Display in the navigable waters of the Sacramento River on December 31, 2012 and January 1, 2013. The fireworks displays will occur from 9 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. on December 31, 2011 and from 11:59 p.m. on December 31, 2012 until 12:15 a.m. on January 1, 2013 for the annual Sacramento New Year’s Eve Fireworks Display. During the enforcement period, unauthorized persons or vessels are prohibited from entering into, transiting through, or anchoring in the safety zone, unless authorized by the Patrol Commander (PATCOM).

DATES: The regulations in 33 CFR 165.1191, Table 1, Item number 29, will be enforced from 9 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. on December 31, 2012 and from 11:59 p.m. on December 31, 2012 to 12:15 a.m. on January 1, 2013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice, call or email Ensign William Hawn, U.S. Coast Guard Sector San Francisco; telephone (415) 399–7442 or email at D11–PF–MarineEvents@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce the Sacramento New Year’s Eve Fireworks Display safety zones in the navigable waters of the Sacramento River near positions 38°34′48.26″ N, 121°30′38.52″ W (NAD 83) and 38°34′49.84″ N, 121°30′29.59″ W (NAD 83). Upon the commencement of the first fireworks display, scheduled to take place from 9 p.m. until 9:15 p.m.
on December 31, 2012, the safety zone applies to the navigable waters around the fireworks launch site near position 38°34′48.26″ N, 121°30′38.52″ W (NAD 83) within a radius of 1,000 feet. Upon the commencement of the second fireworks display, scheduled to take place from 11:59 p.m. on December 31, 2012 until 12:15 a.m. on January 1, 2013, the safety zone applies to the navigable waters around the fireworks launch sites near positions 38°34′48.26″ N, 121°30′38.52″ W (NAD 83) and 38°34′49.84″ N, 121°30′29.59″ W (NAD 83) within a radius of 1,000 feet. These safety zones will be in effect from 9 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. on December 31, 2012 and from 11:59 p.m. on December 31, 2012 to 12:15 a.m. on January 1, 2013.

Under the provisions of 33 CFR 165.1191, unauthorized persons or vessels are prohibited from entering into, transiting through, or anchoring in the safety zone during all applicable effective dates and times, unless authorized to do so by the PATCOM. Additionally, each person who receives notice of a lawful order or direction issued by an official patrol vessel shall obey the order or direction. The PATCOM is empowered to forbid entry into and control the regulated area. The PATCOM shall be designated by the Commander, Coast Guard Sector San Francisco. The PATCOM may, upon request, allow the transit of commercial vessels through regulated areas when it is safe to do so.

This notice is issued under authority of 33 CFR 165.1191 and 5 U.S.C. 552(a). In addition to this notice in the Federal Register, the Coast Guard will provide the maritime community with extensive advance notification of the safety zone and its enforcement period via the Local Notice to Mariners.

If the Captain of the Port determines that the regulated area need not be enforced for the full duration stated in this notice, a Broadcast Notice to Mariners may be used to grant general permission to enter the regulated area.


Cynthia L. Stowe,
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port San Francisco.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket Number USCG–2012–1041]

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Safety Zones; New Year’s Eve Fireworks Displays Within the Captain of the Port Miami Zone, FL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing three temporary safety zones during New Year’s Eve fireworks displays on certain navigable waterways in Biscayne Bay and Palm Beach, Florida. These safety zones are necessary to protect the public from the hazards associated with launching fireworks over navigable waters of the United States. Persons and vessels are prohibited from entering, transiting through, anchoring in, or remaining within any of the three safety zones unless authorized by the Captain of the Port Miami or a designated representative.

DATES: This rule is effective from 10:00 p.m. December 31, 2012 until 12:30 a.m. January 1, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Documents mentioned in this preamble are part of docket USCG–2012–1041. To view documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to http://www.regulations.gov, type the docket number in the “SEARCH” box and click “SEARCH.” Click on Open Docket Folder on the line associated with this rulemaking. You may also visit the Docket Management Facility in Room W12–140 on the ground floor of the Department of Transportation West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this rule, call or email Lieutenant Junior Grade Mike H. Wu, Sector Miami Prevention Department, Coast Guard; telephone (305) 535–7576, email Mike.H.Wu@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone (202) 366–9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Table of Acronyms:

| DHS | Department of Homeland Security |

FR. Federal Register
NPRM. Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

A. Regulatory History and Information

The Coast Guard is issuing this temporary final rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment pursuant to authority under section 4(a) of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) (5 U.S.C. 553(b)). This provision authorizes an agency to issue a rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment when the agency for good cause finds that those procedures are “impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest.” Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) with respect to this rule because the Coast Guard did not receive all Marine Event Permit Application information regarding the fireworks displays until November 16, 2012. As a result, the Coast Guard did not have sufficient time to publish an NPRM and to receive public comments prior to the fireworks displays. Any delay in the effective date of this rule would be contrary to the public interest because immediate action is needed to minimize potential danger to the public during the fireworks displays.

For the same reason discussed above, under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3) the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for making this rule effective less than 30 days after publication in the Federal Register.

B. Basis and Purpose


The purpose of the rule is to protect the public from the hazards associated with the launching of fireworks over navigable waters of the United States.

C. Discussion of Rule

Multiple fireworks displays are planned for New Year’s Eve celebrations throughout the Captain of the Port Miami Zone. The fireworks will be launched from barges and will explode over navigable waters of the United States.

The Coast Guard is establishing three temporary safety zones for New Year’s Eve fireworks displays on Monday, December 31, 2012 on navigable waters of the Captain of the Port Miami Zone. The three safety zones are listed below.