§ 100.45 Establishment of aids to navigation.

The District Commander will establish and maintain only those aids to navigation necessary to assist in the observance and enforcement of the special regulations issued under the District Commander’s authority. These aids to navigation will be in accordance with Part 62 of this chapter. All other aids to navigation incidental to the holding of a regatta or marine parade are private aids to navigation as described in Part 66 of this chapter.

§ 100.101 Harvard-Yale Regatta, Thames River, New London, CT.

(a) Regulated area. The Thames River at New London, Connecticut, from the Penn Central Draw Bridge to Bartlett Cove.

(b) Effective period. This section is in effect on June 8, 1996, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and each year thereafter on a date and times specified in a Federal Register notice. If the regatta is canceled due to weather, this section will be in effect on the following Sunday.

(c) Special local regulations. (1) All persons or vessels not registered with the sponsor as participants or not part of the regatta patrol are considered spectators.

(2) No spectator or press boats shall be allowed out onto or across the race course without Coast Guard escort.

(3) No person or vessel may transit through the regulated area during the effective period unless participating in the event, or as authorized by the sponsor or Coast Guard Patrol personnel. The Patrol Commander may open up the regulated area to allow for vessel movement between scheduled races.

(4) Spectator vessels must be at anchor within a designated spectator area or moored to a waterfront facility within the regulated area in such a way that they shall not interfere with the progress of the event at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the races. They must remain moored or at anchor until the men’s varsity have passed their positions. At that time, spectator vessels located south of the Harvard Boathouse may proceed downriver at a reasonable speed. Vessels situated between the Harvard Boathouse and the finish line must remain stationary until both crews return safely to their boathouses. If for any reason the men’s varsity crew race is postponed, spectator vessels will remain in position until notified by Coast Guard or regatta patrol personnel.

(5) The last 1000 feet of the race course near the finish line will be delineated by four (4) temporary white buoys provided by the sponsor. All spectator craft shall remain behind these buoys during the event.

(6) Spectator craft shall not anchor:

(i) To the west of the race course, between Scotch Cap and Bartlett Point Light.

(ii) Within the race course boundaries or in such a manner that would allow their vessel to drift or swing into the race course.

(7) During the effective period all vessels shall proceed at a speed not to exceed six (6) knots in the regulated area.

(8) Spectator vessels shall not follow the crews during the races.

(9) Swimming is prohibited in the vicinity of the race course during the races.

(10) A vessel operating in the vicinity of the Submarine Base may not cause waves which result in damage to submarines or other vessels in the floating drydocks.

(11) All persons and vessels shall comply with the instructions of U.S. Coast Guard patrol personnel. Upon hearing five or more blasts from a U.S. Coast Guard vessel, the operator of a vessel shall stop immediately and proceed as directed. U.S. Coast Guard patrol personnel include commissioned, warrant and petty officers of the Coast Guard. Members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary may be present to inform...