§ 165.812 Security Zones; Lower Mississippi River, Southwest Pass Sea Buoy to Mile Marker 96.0, New Orleans, LA.

(a) Location. Within the Lower Mississippi River and Southwest Pass, moving security zones are established around all cruise ships between the Southwest Pass Entrance Lighted Buoy “SW”, at approximate position 28°52'42" N, 89°25'54" W [NAD 83] and Lower Mississippi River mile marker 96.0 in New Orleans, Louisiana. These moving security zones encompass all waters within 500 yards of a cruise ship. These zones remain in effect during the entire transit of the vessel and continue while the cruise ship is moored or anchored.

(b) Regulations. (1) Entry of persons and vessels into these zones is prohibited unless authorized as follows.
   (i) Vessels may enter within 500 yards but not closer than 100 feet of a cruise ship provided they operate at the minimum speed necessary to maintain a safe course.
   (ii) No person or vessel may enter within 100 feet of a cruise ship unless expressly authorized by the Coast Guard Captain of the Port New Orleans or his designated representative.
   (iii) Moored vessels or vessels anchored in a designated anchorage area are permitted to remain within 100 feet of a cruise ship while it is in transit.

(2) Vessels requiring entry within 500 yards of a cruise ship that cannot slow to the minimum speed necessary to maintain a safe course must request express permission to proceed from the Captain of the Port New Orleans or his designated representative.

(3) For the purpose of this rule the term “cruise ship” is defined as a passenger vessel over 100 gross tons, carrying more than 12 passengers for hire, making a voyage lasting more than 24 hours, any part of which is on the high seas, and for which passengers are embarked or disembarked in the United States or its territories.

(4) The Captain of the Port New Orleans will inform the public of the moving security zones around cruise ships via Marine Safety Information Broadcasts.

(5) To request permission as required by these regulations contact “New Orleans Traffic” via VHF Channels 13/67 or via phone at (504) 589-2780 or (504) 589-6261.

(c) Authority. In addition to 33 U.S.C. 1231, the authority for this section includes 33 U.S.C. 1226.

§ 165.813 Security Zones; Ports of Houston and Galveston, TX.

(a) Location. Within the Ports of Houston and Galveston, Texas, moving security zones are established encompassing all waters within 500 yards of a cruise ship between Galveston Bay Approach Lighted Buoy “GB”, at approximate position 29°21'18" N, 94°37'36" W [NAD 83] and up to, and including, Barbours Cut. These zones remain in effect during the inbound and outbound entire transit of the cruise ship and continues while the cruise ship is moored or anchored.

(b) Regulations. (1) Entry of vessels or persons into these zones is prohibited unless authorized as follows.
   (i) Vessels may enter within 500 yards but not closer than 100 yards of a cruise ship unless expressly authorized by the Coast Guard Captain of the Port Houston-Galveston or his designated representative.
   (ii) No person or vessel may enter within 100 yards of a cruise ship unless expressly authorized by the Coast Guard Captain of the Port Houston-Galveston. Where the Houston Ship Channel narrows to 400 feet or less between Houston Ship Channel Entrance Lighted Bell Buoy “18”, light list no. 34385 at approximately 29°21'06" N,
§ 165.814 Security Zones; Captain of the Port Houston-Galveston Zone.

(a) Location. The following areas are designated as security zones:

(1) Houston, Texas. The Houston Ship Channel and all associated turning basins, bounded by a line drawn between Houston Ship Channel Light 132 (LLNR–24445) and Houston Ship Channel Light 133 (LLNR–24450) west to the T & N Rail Road Swing Bridge at the entrance to Buffalo Bayou, including all waters adjacent to the ship channel from shoreline to shoreline and the first 200 yards of connecting waterways.

(2) Morgan’s Point, Texas. The Barbour’s Cut Ship Channel and Turning Basin containing all waters west of a line drawn between Junction Light “Barbour’s Cut” 29°41′12″ N, 94°59′12″ W (LLNR–23525), and Houston Ship Channel Light 91, 29°41′00″ N, 94°59′00″ W (LLNR–23375) (NAD 1983).

(3) Bayport, TX. The Port of Bayport, Bayport Ship Channel and Bayport Turning Basin containing all waters south of latitude 28°36′45″ N and west of Bayport Ship Channel Light 9 (LLNR–23295) (NAD 1983).

(4) Texas City, Texas. The Port of Texas City Channel, Turning Basin and Industrial Canal containing all waters bounded by the area south and west of a line drawn from Texas City Channel Light 19 (LLNR 24810) through Cut B Inner Range Front Light (LLNR 24765) and terminating on land in position 29°23′16″ N, 94°53′15″ W (NAD 1983).

(b) Authority. In addition to 33 U.S.C. 1231, the authority for this section includes 33 U.S.C. 1226.

(c) Procedure. On request and at the discretion of the Captain of the Port Houston-Galveston, vessel operators may be required to cease operations and proceed to a designated anchorage or navigation area.

(d) Persons and vessels not permitted. No persons or vessels are permitted to remain within 100 yards of a cruise ship while it is in transit.

(e) Persons and vessels not permitted. Vessels moving security zones around cruise ships and the Port Houston-Galveston Zone.

(f) Persons and vessels not permitted. All persons and vessels within 100 yards of a cruise ship while it is in transit.

(g) Persons and vessels not permitted. Vessels moving security zones around cruise ships and the Port Houston-Galveston Zone.

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(z) Persons and vessels not permitted. Vessels moving security zones around cruise ships and the Port Houston-Galveston Zone.