§ 110.229 Straits of Juan de Fuca, Wash.

(a) Anchorage grounds—(1) Nonanchorage area (Port Angeles Harbor). Beginning at a point on the shore at latitude 48°07′04.5″ N., longitude 123°24′15.6″ W.; thence to latitude 48°07′39.1″ N., longitude 123°24′00″ W.; thence to latitude 48°07′36.7″ N., longitude 123°23′46″ W.; thence to a point on the shoreline at latitude 48°06′57.4″ N., longitude 123°24′04″ W.

(b) The regulations. (1) No vessel may anchor in this nonanchorage area at any time.

(2) Dragging, seining, fishing, or other activities which may foul underwater installations within this nonanchorage area are prohibited.

(3) Vessels may transit his nonanchorage area, but must proceed by the most direct route and without unnecessary delay.

(4) The city of Port Angeles will mark this area with signs on the shoreline visible (during normal daylight) 1 mile to seaward, reading, “Do not anchor in this area.”


§ 110.230 Puget Sound Area, Wash.

(a) The anchorage grounds—(1) Freshwater Bay emergency explosives anchorage, Strait of Juan de Fuca. All of freshwater Bay and adjacent waters shoreward of a line beginning at Observatory Point, latitude 48°09′03″, longitude 123°38′12″, thence north approximately 1,150 yards to latitude 48°09′36″, longitude 123°38′12″, thence 90°, approximately 6,450 yards, to latitude 48°09′36″, longitude 123°33′27″, thence 180° to the shoreline.

(i) This area does not constitute an explosives anchorage for loading or discharging explosives, but is established exclusively for use by explosives laden vessels enroute to the ammunition dumping area which encounter adverse weather and sea conditions and are forced to await more favorable conditions before proceeding to sea.

(1-a) Bellingham Bay General Anchorage. The waters of Bellingham Bay within a circular area with a radius of 1,000 yards, having its center at latitude 48°44′15″, longitude 122°32′25″.

(1-b) Bellingham Bay Explosives Anchorage. The waters of Bellingham Bay within a circular area with a radius of 1,000 yards, having its center at latitude 48°42′48″, longitude 122°33′37″.

(2) Port Townsend Explosives Anchorage—(i) Fair weather anchorage area. A circular area having a radius of 300 yards, whose center is at latitude 48°06′26″, longitude 122°43′46″.

(ii) Foul weather anchorage area. A circular area having a radius of 300 yards, whose center is at latitude 48°04′05″, longitude 122°44′52″.

(3) Holmes Harbor General Anchorage. All of Holmes Harbor lying southerly of a line ranging 310° through Hackney Island, between the shores of Whidbey Island.

(4) Port Gardner General Anchorage, Possession Sound. Beginning at a point bearing 211°, 560 yards, from Snohomish River Light 5; thence 180°, 675 yards; thence 216°, 250 yards; thence 254°, 800 yards; thence 302°, 1,700 yards; thence 49°, 1,280 yards; thence approximately 115°, 1,520 yards, to the point of beginning.

(5) [Reserved]

(6) Thorndike Bay Emergency Explosives Anchorage, Hood Canal. Beginning at a point bearing 267°, 3,500 yards, from Hood Canal Light 7; thence 180°, 1,000 yards to a point approximately 251°, 3,725 yards, from Hood Canal Light 7; thence 270°, 1,350 yards to a point approximately 256°, 5,000 yards, from Hood Canal Light 7; thence due north 1,000 yards, to a point approximately 268°, 4,900 yards, from Hood Canal Light 7; thence approximately 90°, 1,350 yards, to the point of beginning.

(7) Smith Cove General Anchorage (west), Elliott Bay. Shoreward of a line beginning at Fourmile Rock Light; thence to a point bearing 207°, 1,100 yards, from Fourmile Rock Light; thence southeasterly to a point bearing 6°30′, 2,075 yards, from Duwamish Head Light 2; thence due north to the shore of Smith Cove.

(8) Smith Cove General Anchorage (east) Elliott Bay. Shoreward of a line beginning at latitude 47°33′36.3″ N., Longitude 122°22′38″ W.; thence due south 1,350 yards to latitude 47°36′56.6″ N., Longitude 122°22′38″ W.; thence due east to the shore at latitude 47°36′56.6″ N., Longitude 122°21′18.8″ W.
(9) Elliott Bay General Anchorage (east). Shoreward of a line beginning at the northeast corner of Harbor Island at latitude 47°35'26.2" N., longitude 122°20'4' W.; thence due north 1,025 yards to latitude 47°35'56.5" N., longitude 122°20'41" W.; thence due west on said line to its intersection with the east line of the West Waterway at latitude 47°35'56.5" N., longitude 120°21'25.5" W.; thence due south to the northwest corner of Harbor Island at latitude 47°35'17.3" N., longitude 122°21'25.5" W.

(10) Elliott Bay General Anchorage (west). Shoreward of a line beginning at latitude 47°35'06.7" N., longitude 122°21'36.8" W.; thence due north to latitude 47°35'46" N., longitude 122°21'36.8" W.; thence on a bearing 335° T for 400 yards to latitude 47°35'56.5" N., longitude 122°21'44" W.; thence due west to Duwamish Head Light; thence due south to the shoreline.

(11) Orchard Point General Anchorage, Puget Sound. Beginning at Orchard Point Light; thence 106°, two miles; thence 180° to the northern shore of Blake Island; thence west and south along the shoreline to the southern end of Blake Island at approximate longitude 122°29'16"; thence 250° to the dock at Harper; thence westerly and northerly along the shoreline to the point of beginning.

(12) [Reserved]

(13) Commencement Bay General Anchorage. A quadrilateral area bounded as follows: Beginning at latitude 47°17'37" N., longitude 122°26'00" W.; thence due south to latitude 47°17'19" N., longitude 122°26'00" W.; thence due east to a point bearing 286° T from Hylebos Waterway Light 1 at a distance of 450 yards; thence due north to latitude 47°17'33" N., longitude 122°25'00" W.; thence west northwest to the point of beginning.

(14) Cherry Point General Anchorage. The waters within a circular area with a radius of 0.8 nautical mile, having its center at latitude 48°48'30" N., longitude 122°46'00" W.


(ii) Anacortes Center (ANC) Anchorage Area. The waters within a circular area with a radius of 600 yards, having its center at 48°30'54" N., 122°34'06" W. [Datum: NAD 1983].

(iii) Anacortes West (ANW) Anchorage Area. The waters within a circular area with a radius of 600 yards, having its center at 48°31'09" N., 122°34'55" W. [Datum: NAD 1983].

(16) Cap Sante Tug and Barge General Anchorage. The Cap Sante Tug and Barge General Anchorage includes all waters enclosed by a line connecting the following points: 48°31'16" N., 122°36'00" W., which is approximately the northeast tip of Cap Sante; then southeast to 48°30'53" N., 122°35'26" W.; then west southwest to 48°30'45" N., 122°35'32" W., approximately the south tip of Cap Sante; then north along the shoreline to the point of origin. [Datum: NAD 1983].

(17) Hat Island Tug and Barge General Anchorage. The Hat Island Tug and Barge General Anchorage includes all waters enclosed by a line connecting the following points: 48°31'19" N., 122°33'04" W., near the west side of Hat Island; then southwest to 48°30'37" N., 122°33'38" W.; then east to 48°30'37" N., 122°32'00" W.; then northwest to the point of origin. [Datum: NAD 1983].

(b) The regulations. (1) No vessel shall anchor in any general anchorage described in paragraph (a) of this section without prior permission from the Captain of the Port (COTP), or his authorized representative. Vessel Traffic Service Puget Sound is designated as the COTP’s authorized representative. All vessels should seek permission at least 48 hours prior to arrival at the anchorage area in order to avoid unnecessary delays.

(i) Except for the Anacortes General Anchorages, a berth in a general anchorage, if available, may be assigned to any vessel by the Captain of the Port or his authorized representative upon application and he may grant revocable permits for the continuous use of the same berth. For the Anacortes General Anchorages, the following hierarchy will be applied for assignment of a berth: tankers conducting lightering operations, then loaded tankers, and then all other vessels.
(1) Tugs and oil barges using the Cap Sante and Hat Island General Anchorages are exempt from the requirement to obtain the COTP’s permission.

(2) Except for the Anacortes General Anchorages, no vessel shall occupy any general anchorage for a period longer than 30 days unless a permit is obtained from the Captain of the Port for that purpose. There is a 10 days maximum stay at the Anacortes East and Anacortes Center general anchorages, and 6 day maximum stay at the Anacortes West general anchorage.

(3) The COTP or his authorized representative may require vessels to depart from the Anacortes General Anchorage before the expiration of the authorized or maximum stay. The COTP or his authorized representative will provide at least 24-hour notice to a vessel required to depart the Anacortes General Anchorage.

(4) No vessel in a condition such that it is likely to sink or otherwise become a menace or obstruction to the navigation or anchorage of other vessels shall occupy any general anchorage except in an emergency and then only for such period as may be permitted by the Captain of the Port.

(5) Within the Anacortes General Anchorages, lightering operations shall only be conducted in the Anacortes West and Anacortes Center anchorages.

(6) Tugs and barges using the Cap Sante and Hat Island Barge General Anchorages are required to ensure their vessels and barges do not project beyond the holding area’s boundaries. The tug must be manned, remain in attendance with the barge and maintain a communications guard with VTS on an appropriate VTS VHF radio working frequency, which is currently channel 5A.

(7) No vessel shall anchor in any general anchorage described in paragraph (a) of this section without prior permission from the Captain of the Port, or his authorized representative. No vessel shall occupy any general anchorage for a period longer than 30 days unless a permit is obtained from the Captain of the Port for that purpose. No vessel in a condition such that it is likely to sink or otherwise become a menace or obstruction to the navigation or anchorage of other vessels shall occupy a general anchorage except in an emergency and then only for such period as may be permitted by the Captain of the Port. A berth in a general anchorage, if available, may be assigned to any vessel by the Captain of the Port upon application and he may grant revocable permits for the continuous use of the same berth.

(8) Explosive anchorages are reserved for vessels carrying explosives. All vessels carrying explosives shall be within these areas when anchored.

(9) Whenever any vessel not fitted with mechanical power, anchors in an explosive anchorage, the Captain of the Port may require the attendance of a tug upon such vessel, when, in his judgment, such action is necessary.

(10) Vessels carrying explosives shall comply with the general regulations in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, when applicable.

(11) Every vessel at anchor in an explosives anchorage shall display by day a red flag at least 16 square feet in area at its mast head or at least 10 feet above the upper deck if the vessel has no mast, and by night a red light in the same position specified for the flag. These signals shall be in addition to day signals and lights required to be shown by all vessels when at anchor.

(12) Every vessel constructed of wood shall, unless there are steel bulwarks or metallic cases or cargo on board, be fitted with radar reflector screens of metal of sufficient size to permit target indication on the radar screen of commercial type radars.

(13) Fishing and navigation by pleasure and commercial craft are prohibited within the area at all times when vessels which are anchored in the area for the purpose of loading or unloading explosives display a red flag by day and a red light by night, unless special permission is granted by the Captain of the Port.

(14) No explosives handling in any explosive anchorage will be undertaken by any vessel unless personnel from the Captain of the Port are on board to supervise the handling of explosives.

(15) No vessel shall remain at anchor in any explosive anchorage unless
there is on board such vessel a competent watchman or a tug in attendance.

(CGFR 67–46, 32 FR 17728, Dec. 12, 1967)

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§110.231 Ketchikan Harbor, Alaska, Large Passenger Vessel Anchorage.

(a) The anchorage grounds. Ketchikan Harbor, Alaska, Large Passenger Vessel Anchorage. The waters of Ketchikan Harbor, Ketchikan, Alaska, enclosed by the following boundary lines: A line from Thomas Basin Entrance Light “2” to East Channel Lighted Buoy “4A”, to Pennock Island Reef Lighted Buoy “FR”, to Wreck Buoy “WR6”, then following a line bearing 064 degrees true to shore. This anchorage is effective 24 hours per day from 1 May through 30 September, annually.

(b) The regulations. (1) When transiting through the anchorage, all vessels using propulsion machinery shall proceed across the anchorage by the most direct route and without unnecessary delay. Sudden course changes within the anchorage are prohibited.

(2) No vessels, other than a large passenger vessel of over 1600 gross tons, (including ferries), may anchor within the anchorage without the express consent of the Captain of the Port, Southeast, Alaska.

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§110.232 Southeast Alaska.

(a) The anchorage grounds—(1) Hassler Harbor—explosives anchorage. The waters of Hassler Harbor within a circular area with a radius of 1,500 yards, having its center at latitude 55°12′52″ N., longitude 131°25′32″ W.

(b) The regulations. (1) Except in an emergency, only a vessel that is transporting, loading or discharging explosives may anchor, moor, or remain within the Hassler Harbor explosives anchorage.

(2) A master or person in charge of a vessel shall obtain a written permit from the Captain of the Port, Southeast, Alaska, to anchor, moor, or remain within the explosives anchorage. The vessel shall anchor in the position specified by the permit.

(3) The net weight of the explosives laden aboard all vessels anchored, moored, or remaining within the anchorage shall not exceed 800,000 pounds.

(4) The Captain of the Port, Southeast, Alaska, may require a nonself propelled vessel to be attended by a tug while moored, anchored, or remaining within the explosives anchorage.

(5) A wooden vessel must:

(i) Be fitted with a radar reflector screen of metal of sufficient size to permit target indication on the radar screen of commercial type radar; or

(ii) Have steel bulwarks; or

(iii) Have metallic cases or cargo aboard.

(6) Each vessel moored, anchored, or remaining within the explosives anchorage and carrying, loading, or discharging explosives from sunrise to sunset shall display:

(i) A red flag from the mast; or

(ii) A sign posted on each side of the vessel reading “Explosive—Keep Clear—No Smoking or Open Flame” in letters that are 3 inches or larger and have sufficient contrast with the background to be seen from a distance of 200 feet.

(7) Each vessel moored, anchored, or remaining within the anchorage during the night shall display:

(i) Anchor lights; and

(ii) A 32 point red light located from the mast or highest part of the vessel to be visible all around the horizon for a distance of 2 miles.


(a) The anchorage grounds. In Prince William Sound, Alaska, beginning at a point at latitude 60°40′00″ N., longitude 146°40′00″ W.; thence south to latitude 60°38′00″ N., longitude 146°40′00″ W.; thence east to latitude 60°38′00″ N., longitude 146°30′00″ W.; thence north to latitude 60°39′00″ N., longitude 146°30′00″ W.; thence northwesterly to the beginning point.