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(d) The draw of the Chapel Street Bridge at mile 0.4, across the Mill River shall open on signal; except that, from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. to 5:45 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays, the draw need not open for the passage of vessel traffic. From 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. the draw shall open on signal after at least a one-hour advance notice is given by calling the number posted at the bridge.


§ 117.215 Niantic River.

(a) The draw of the Amtrak bridge, mile 0.0 at Niantic, shall open on signal; except that, from April 1 through October 31 from 8 p.m. to 4 a.m. and from November 1 through March 31 from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., the draw shall open on signal if at least one hour notice is given. When a train scheduled to cross the bridge without stopping has entered the drawbridge block, a delay in opening the draw may occur until the train has cleared the block.

(b) The draw of the S156 Bridge, mile 0.1, at Niantic, shall open on signal; except that, from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m., and 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays, the draw shall open only for the passage of commercial vessels. From December 1 through March 31, from 8 p.m. to 4 a.m., the draw shall open on signal if at least six hours notice is given by calling the number posted at the bridge.


§ 117.217 Norwalk River.

(a) The draw of the Washington Street S136 Bridge, mile 0.0, at Norwalk, shall operate as follows:

(1) The draw shall open on signal; except that, from 7 a.m. to 8:45 a.m., 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays, the draw need not be opened for the passage of vessels that draw less than 14 feet of water.

(2) The draw need not open for the passage of vessel traffic, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., on the first Saturday in December, to facilitate the running of the annual Norwalk River Fun Run. Should inclement weather force the postponement of the race the above bridge closure shall be implemented the next day, the first Sunday after the first Saturday in December, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

(3) The bridge opening signal is three short blasts. Vessels drawing 14 feet of water or more shall add one prolonged blast after the three short blasts.

(b) The draw of the Metro-North “WALK” bridge, mile 0.1 at Norwalk, shall open on signal as follows:

(1) From 5 a.m. to 9 p.m., except that, from Monday through Friday excluding holidays, the draw need not be opened from 7 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., unless an emergency exists.

(2) Only once in any 60-minute period from 5:45 a.m. to 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

(3) From 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., if at least four hours notice is given.

(4) A delay of up to 20 minutes may be expected if a train is approaching so closely that it may not be safely stopped.


§ 117.219 Pequonnock River.

(a) The draw of the Stratford Avenue Bridge at mile 0.1, at Bridgeport, shall open on signal; except that, from 6:45 a.m. to 7:15 a.m., 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m., 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., and 4:30 p.m. to 6:10 p.m., the draw need not open for the passage of vessel traffic. From December 1 through March 31, from 8 p.m. to 4 a.m., the draw shall open on signal if at least a six-hour notice is given by calling the number posted at the bridge.

(b) The draw of the Metro-North Peck Bridge at mile 0.3, at Bridgeport, shall open on signal or after three blasts as follows:

(1) From 5:45 a.m. to 9 p.m. except:

(i) From Monday through Friday, excluding holidays or emergencies, the draw need not be opened from 6:45 a.m. to 7:15 a.m., 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m., 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., and 4:30 p.m. to 6:10 p.m.

(ii) From Monday through Friday, excluding holidays or emergencies, the draw need not be opened more than once during the periods from 5:45 a.m.
§ 117.221 Saugatuck River.

(a) Public vessels of the United States must be passed through as soon as possible.

(b) The draw of the Metro-North “SAGA” Bridge, mile 1.1 at Saugatuck shall operate as follows:

(1) Year-round need not open:

(i) Weekdays from 7 a.m. to 8:10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. except on Federal holidays;

(ii) From 9 a.m. to 5 a.m.

(2) From October 1–May 31, open on signal:

(i) Weekdays from 8:10 a.m.–4 p.m.;

(ii) Weekends and Federal holidays 7 a.m.–4 p.m.;

(iii) If at least eight hours notice is given: daily, from 5 a.m.–7 a.m., 4 p.m.–5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.–9 p.m., and weekends and Federal holidays from 5:30 p.m.–7 p.m.

(3) From June 1–September 30, open on signal 5 a.m.–9 p.m., except as provided in paragraph (b)(1)(i) of this section.

(4) A delay in opening the draw not to exceed 10 minutes may occur when a train scheduled to cross the bridge without stopping has entered the drawbridge block.

(c) The draw of the Route 136 Bridge, mile 1.3 at Saugatuck shall operate as follows:

(1) Year-round, need not open weekdays, except Federal holidays, from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

(2) From April 15–October 31, open on signal if at least two hours notice is given, except as provided in paragraph (c)(1) of this section.

(3) From November 1–April 14, open on signal:

(i) From 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. if at least eight hours notice is given;

(ii) From 3 p.m. to 8:30 a.m., if at least 24 hours notice is given, except as provided in paragraph (c)(1) of this section.

§ 117.223 Shaw Cove.

The draw of the Amtrak bridge, mile 0.0 at New London, shall open on signal from December 1 through March 31 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. From December 1 through March 31 from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m. and on Saturdays and Sundays, the draw shall open on signal if at least eight hours notice is given. From April 1 through November 30 from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m., the draw shall open on signal; and, from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m., the draw shall open on signal if at least one hour notice is given. A delay of up to 10 minutes may be expected if a train is approaching so closely that it may not be safety stopped. When a vessel is in an emergency that may endanger life or property, the draw shall open as soon as possible.

§ 117.224 Thames River.

The draw of the Amtrak bridge, mile 3.0 in New London, shall open—

(a) Immediately on signal for public vessels of the United States and commercial vessels; except, when a train scheduled to cross the drawbridge, without stopping, has passed the Midway, Groton, or New London stations and is in motion toward the drawbridge, the drawspan must not be opened for the passage of any vessel until the train has crossed the drawbridge; and