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(2) Aerial gunnery range along north shore of Choctawhatchee Bay. The danger zone shall encompass all navigable waters of the United States as defined at 33 CFR part 329, including the waters of Choctawhatchee Bay within an area bounded by a line connecting the following coordinates: Commencing at the northwest shore at latitude 30°27′26″ N, longitude 086°25′30″ W; thence to latitude 30°26′00″ N, longitude 086°25′30″ W; thence to latitude 30°26′57″ N, longitude 086°20′35″ W; thence to latitude 30°26′12″ N, longitude 086°20′33″ W; thence to latitude 30°26′29″ N, longitude 086°15′00″ W; thence to the northeast shore at latitude 30°29′08.7″ N, longitude 086°15′00″ W; then following the shoreline at the mean high water line easterly to point of origin.

(b) The regulations—(1) Aerial gunnery range in west part of Choctawhatchee Bay. The aerial gunnery range in the west part of Choctawhatchee Bay (as described in paragraph (a)(1) of this section) may be used by persons and watercraft except during periods when firing is conducted. Use of the area will be advertised in advance by Eglin AFB Public Affairs. During periods of firing, traverse of this area shall not be denied to regular cargo-carrying or passenger-carrying vessels or tows proceeding on established routes. In case any such vessel is within the area, the officer in charge of gunnery operations will cause the cessation or postponement of fire until the vessel has cleared that part of the area within the range of the weapons being used. The vessel shall proceed on its normal course and shall not delay its progress.

(2) Aerial gunnery range along north shore of Choctawhatchee Bay. No person, vessel, or other craft shall enter or remain within the aerial gunnery range along the north shore of Choctawhatchee Bay (as described in paragraph (a)(2) of this section) during times the area is active. Activation of the area will be advertised in advance by Eglin AFB Public Affairs.

(c) Enforcement. (1) The regulations in this section shall be enforced by the Commander, 96 Air Base Wing, Eglin AFB, Florida and such agencies as he/she may designate.

(2) Enforcement of the regulations in this section will be accomplished in accordance with the active security level as defined by the Department of Defense Force Protection Condition (FPCON) System.

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§ 334.710 The Narrows and Gulf of Mexico adjacent to Santa Rosa Island, Headquarters Air Armament Center, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.

(a) The restricted area. The restricted area shall encompass all navigable waters of the United States as defined at 33 CFR part 329, including the waters of The Narrows and the Gulf of Mexico easterly of the periphery of a circular area five nautical miles in radius, centered at latitude 30°23′10.074″ N, longitude 086°48′25.433″ W (USCG Station Tuck 3), within the segment of a circle, three nautical miles in radius, centered at latitude 30°24′00″ N, longitude 086°41′47″ W.

(b) The regulations. The area will be used intermittently during daylight hours. During periods of use the entry into the area will be prohibited to all persons and navigation. Notifications will be via Eglin AFB water patrol and published in local news media in advance.

(c) Enforcement. (1) The regulations in this section shall be enforced by the Commander, 96 Air Base Wing, Eglin AFB, Florida and such agencies as he/she may designate.

(2) Enforcement of the regulations in this section will be accomplished in accordance with the active security level as defined by the Department of Defense Force Protection Condition (FPCON) System.

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§ 334.720 Gulf of Mexico, south from Choctawhatchee Bay; Missile test area.

(a) The danger zone. The danger zone shall encompass all navigable waters of the United States as defined at 33 CFR part 329, including the waters of the Gulf of Mexico south from Choctawhatchee Bay within an area described as follows: Beginning at a point five nautical miles southeasterly from USC&GS Station Tuck 3, at latitude 30°25′10.074″ N, longitude 086°48′25.433″ W, three nautical miles offshore of Santa Rosa Island; thence easterly.
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three nautical miles offshore and parallel to shore, to a point south of Apalachicola Bay, Florida at latitude 29°32'00" N, longitude 085°00'00" W; thence southeasterly to latitude 29°17'30" N, longitude 084°40'00" W; thence southwesterly to latitude 28°40'00" N, longitude 084°49'00" W; thence southeasterly to latitude 28°10'00" N, longitude 084°30'00" W; thence 270° true to longitude 086°48'00" W; thence due north along longitude 086°48'00" W to the intersection of the line with a circle of five nautical miles in radius centered on USC&GS Station Tuck 3, at latitude 30°23'10.074" N, longitude 086°48'25.433" W, thence northeasterly along the arc of the circle to the point of beginning.

(b) The regulations—

(1) The area will be used intermittently during daylight hours for a week or 10 days at a time. Firing will take place once or twice a day for periods ordinarily of not more than one hour. Advance notice of such firings will be published in local newspapers.

(2) During periods of firing, passage through the area will not be denied to cargo-carrying or passenger-carrying vessels or tows proceeding on established routes. In case any such vessel is within the danger zone, the officer in charge of firing operations will cause the cessation or postponement of fire until the vessel has cleared the portion of the danger area involved. The entire area involved will be under constant observation of both surface patrol vessels and air patrol planes prior to and during periods of firing and notice will be given to vessels and tows of intention to fire by buzzing low over the vessel, upon which signal vessels and tows shall proceed on their established course promptly and clear the area as soon as possible.

(3) All persons and vessels, except those identified in paragraph (b)(2) of this section, will be warned to leave the immediate danger area during firing periods by surface patrol craft. Upon being so warned, such persons and vessels shall clear the area immediately. Such periods normally will not exceed two hours.

(c) Enforcement. (1) The regulations in this section shall be enforced by the Commander, 96 Air Base Wing, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida and such agencies as he/she may designate.

(2) Enforcement of the regulations in this section will be accomplished in accordance with the active security level as defined by the Department of Defense Force Protection Condition (FPCON) System.

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§ 334.730 Waters of Santa Rosa Sound and Gulf of Mexico adjacent to Santa Rosa Island, Armament Center, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.

(a) The areas—

(1) The danger zone. The danger zone shall encompass all navigable waters of the United States as defined at 33 CFR part 329, including the waters of Santa Rosa Sound and Gulf of Mexico within a circle one nautical mile in radius, centered at latitude 30°23'10.074'' N, longitude 086°48'25.433'' W (USC&GS Station Tuck 3). The portion of the area in Santa Rosa Sound includes the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway between miles 209.6 and 211.4 as measured from the Harvey Lock, Louisiana, “zero mile” location.

(2) The restricted areas—

(i) Area 1. The restricted area shall encompass all navigable waters of the United States as defined at 33 CFR part 329, including the waters of Santa Rosa Sound and Gulf of Mexico, surrounding the danger zone described in paragraph (a)(1) of this section, within a circle five nautical miles in radius centered at latitude 30°23'10.074'' N, longitude 086°48'25.433'' W (USC&GS Station Tuck 3). The portion of the area in Santa Rosa Sound includes the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway between mile designation 204.6 and 216.4 as measured from the Harvey Lock, Louisiana, “zero mile” location.

(ii) Area 2. Santa Rosa Island, North Side. The restricted area shall encompass all navigable waters of the United States as defined at 33 CFR part 329 within the area bounded by a line connecting the following coordinates: Commencing from the shoreline at latitude 30°24'06.58'' N, longitude 086°40'25.00'' W; thence to latitude 30°24'08.06'' N, longitude 086°40'25.00'' W; then the line meanders irregularly, following the shoreline at a distance of 150 feet seaward from the mean high water line to a point at latitude 573