

REGULATIONS NOT ON APR-JUN 00 QUARTERLY REPORT—Continued

District/COTP	Location	Type	Effective date
09-00-043	MILWAUKEE, WI	SAFETY ZONE	06/21/00
09-00-044	MILWAUKEE, WI	SAFETY ZONE	06/26/00
COTP REGULATIONS:			
LOUISVILLE 00-052	OHIO RIVER, M. 745.5 TO 746.5	SAFETY ZONE	06/26/00
NEW ORLEANS 00-019	RED RIVER, M. 58.5 TO 60.5	SAFETY ZONE	06/26/00
SAN FRANCISCO BAY 00-003	SAN FRANCISCO, CA	SAFETY ZONE	06/30/00

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD08-00-032]

**Drawbridge Operating Regulation;
 Lower Grand River, LA**

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations

SUMMARY: The Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District has issued a temporary deviation from the regulation in 33 CFR 117.478(b) governing the operation of the LA 77 bridge across the Lower Grand River, mile 47.0 (Alternate Route) at Grosse Tete, Iberville Parish, Louisiana. This deviation allows the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to maintain the bridge in the closed-to-navigation position from 6 a.m. until 11 a.m. and from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, from January 8, 2001 until January 26, 2001. At all others times, the bridge will operate normally for the passage of vessels. This temporary deviation was issued to allow for the replacement of parts damaged on the bridge during an allision in June of 2000.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 6 a.m. on Monday, January 8, 2001, until 6 p.m. Friday, January 26, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Unless otherwise indicated, documents referred to in this notice are available for inspection or copying at the office of the Eighth Coast Guard District, Bridge Administration Branch, Commander (ob), 501 Magazine Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70130-3396. The Bridge Administration Branch maintains the public docket for this temporary deviation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. David Frank, Bridge Administration Branch, Commander (ob), Eighth Coast Guard District, 501 Magazine Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70130-3396, telephone number 504-589-2965.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The LA 77 bridge across the Lower Grand River, mile 47.0 (Alternate Route) at Grosse Tete, Iberville Parish, Louisiana, has a vertical clearance of 2 feet above high water in the closed-to-navigation position and unlimited clearance in the open-to-navigation position. Navigation on the waterway consists mainly of tows with barges and some recreational craft. The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development requested a temporary deviation from the normal operation of the bridge in order to accommodate the final repairs to the bridge caused by an allision in June of 2000.

This deviation allows the draw of the LA 77 pontoon drawbridge across the Lower Grand River, mile 47.0 (Alternate Route), at Grosse Tete, Iberville Parish, Louisiana, to remain in the closed-to-navigation position from 6 a.m. until 11 a.m. and from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, from January 8, 2001 until January 26, 2001. Presently, the draw of the LA 77 bridge, mile 47.0 (Alternate Route) at Grosse Tete, shall open on signal; except that, from about August 15 to about June 5 (the school year), the draw need not be opened from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. and from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. The draw shall open on signal at any time for an emergency aboard a vessel.

Dated: December 18, 2000.

Paul J. Pluta,

U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 166

[CGD 08-00-012]

RIN 2115-AG02

Shipping Safety Fairways and Anchorage Areas, Gulf of Mexico

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is creating a new anchorage area on the eastern side of the Sabine Pass Safety Fairway, opposite the Sabine Bank Offshore (North) Anchorage area in the Gulf of Mexico south of Sabine Pass. This will help alleviate the need for in-bound deep draft vessels to cross the Sabine Pass Safety Fairway and navigate around a chartered shallow area just to the southeast of the North anchorage. This rule allows deep draft vessels to enter and depart Sabine Bank anchorages on a safer, lower risk course.

DATES: This final rule is effective January 29, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments and material received from the public, as well as documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, are part of docket CGD 08-00-012 and are available for inspection or copying at the Coast Guard Marine Safety Office, Federal Building, 2875 Jimmy Johnson Blvd., Port Arthur, TX 77640-2099 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this rule or on viewing the docket, call Lieutenant Lamont Bazemore, Waterways Management, Coast Guard Marine Safety Office Port Arthur, telephone 409-723-6509 ext. 243.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulatory History

On June 21, 2000, we published a notice of proposed rulemaking entitled "Anchorage Regulation; Sabine Pass, TX, Gulf of Mexico" in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 38474). We received no letters commenting on the proposed rule. No public hearing was requested and none was held. For the Semi-Annual Agenda, we changed the RIN and title of this rule to "Shipping Safety Fairways and Anchorage Areas, Gulf of Mexico, 2115-AG02", to correctly reflect the CFR part that we are affecting.

Background and Purpose

In 1997, the in-bound tank vessel CROSBY ran aground just outside the