

REGULATIONS NOT ON PREVIOUS QUARTERLY REPORTS—Continued

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Pittsburgh 02–007	Ohio River M 67.5 to 68.5, Steubenville, Ohio.	Safety Zone	03/30/02
San Francisco Bay 02–002	Suisun Bay, Concord, CA	Security Zone	03/25/02
Tampa 02–018	St. Pete Beach, Florida	Security Zone	03/08/02
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD09–02–017]

RIN–2115–AE47

Drawbridge Operation Regulations;
Saginaw River, MI

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is changing the operating regulation governing drawbridges over Saginaw River in Bay City, Michigan. This rule updates current owners of railroad bridges, adds Liberty Street bridge to the list of drawbridges with regulated hours, removes Sixth Street bridge from the list of drawbridges with regulated hours, and assigns standardized mile marker designations.

DATES: This rule is effective August 29, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket [CGD09–02–017] are available for inspection or copying at Commander (obr), Ninth Coast Guard District, 1240 East Ninth Street, Room 2019, Cleveland, OH, 44199–2060.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Scot M. Striffler, Project Manager, Ninth Coast Guard District Bridge Branch, at (216) 902–6084.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulatory Information

The Coast Guard published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) on May 10, 2002, entitled Drawbridge Operations Regulations, Saginaw River, Michigan, in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 31745). No letters or comments were received in response to the NPRM. No public hearing was requested, and none was held.

Background and Purpose

The current bridge operating regulations for drawbridges over Saginaw River are found in 33 CFR § 117.647. The current regulation does not contain an operating schedule for the Liberty Street bridge, which was constructed in 1987, and is located between the Independence and Veterans Memorial bridges. The new rule establishes drawbridge regulations for Liberty Street drawbridge. The former Sixth Avenue bridge at mile 17.1 was removed in 1985 and is still listed as a regulated drawbridge. The new rule removes the bridge from the regulation.

The railroad bridges listed at miles 2.5 and 4.4, respectively, have changed ownership and are updated through this final rule.

The mile marker designations for the bridges listed in this rulemaking have been revised to reflect the mile markers used in the United States Coast Pilot for proper cross-reference.

Discussion of Comments and Changes

No comments were received from the public in response to the NPRM. The Coast Guard did receive a correction from the City of Bay City. The NPRM incorrectly stated that the City of Bay City operated all highway drawbridges over Saginaw River. The City of Bay City operates the Liberty Street and Independence drawbridges, and the Michigan Department of Transportation operates the Lafayette and Veterans Memorial drawbridges. This information does not affect the operating schedule of the drawbridges, nor does it alter or affect the purpose of this rulemaking.

Regulatory Evaluation

This rule is not a significant regulatory action under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of that order. The Office of Management and Budget has not reviewed it under that Order. It is not “significant” under the regulatory policies and procedures of the Department of Transportation (DOT) (44 FR 11040; February 26, 1979).

The Coast Guard expects the economic impact of this rule to be so minimal that a full Regulatory Evaluation under paragraph 10e of the regulatory policies and procedures of DOT is unnecessary due to the relatively minor adjustments to the current regulation. There are no additional limitations placed on navigation, and the proper sequencing of bridge openings is expected to improve service to navigation and vehicular traffic.

Small Entities

Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601–612), the Coast Guard must consider whether this rule will have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. “Small entities” may include small businesses and not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their fields, and governmental jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000 people.

This rule is not expected to place any additional limitations on passing vessel traffic. No identified entities would be unable to pass the bridges, as needed. Therefore, the Coast Guard certifies under 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

Assistance for Small Entities

Under section 213(a) of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–121), we want to assist small entities in understanding this proposed rule so that they can better evaluate its effects on them and participate in the rulemaking process.

Small businesses may send comments on the actions of Federal employees who enforce, or otherwise determine compliance with, Federal regulations to the Small Business and Agriculture Regulatory Enforcement Ombudsman and the Regional Small Business Regulatory Fairness Boards. The Ombudsman evaluates these actions annually and rates each agency’s responsiveness to small business. If you wish to comment on actions by

employees of the Coast Guard, call 1-888-REG-FAIR (1-888-734-3247).

Collection of Information

This rule would call for no new collection of information requirement under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520).

Federalism

A rule has implications for federalism under Executive Order 13132, Federalism, if it has a substantial direct effect on State or local governments and would either preempt State law or impose a substantial direct cost of compliance on them. The Coast Guard has analyzed this rule under that order and has determined that this rule does not have implications for federalism.

Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1531-1538) requires Federal agencies to assess the effects of their discretionary regulatory actions. In particular, the Act addresses actions that may result in the expenditure by a State, local, or tribal government, in the aggregate, or by the private sector of \$100,000,000 or more in any one year. Although this rule will not result in such expenditure, we do discuss the effects of this rule elsewhere in this preamble.

Taking of Private Property

This rule will not effect a taking of private property or otherwise have taking implications under Executive Order 12630, Governmental Actions and Interference with Constitutionally Protected Property Rights.

Civil Justice Reform

This rule meets applicable standards in sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform, to minimize litigation, eliminate ambiguity, and reduce burden.

Protection of Children

We have analyzed this rule under Executive Order 13045, Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks. This rule is not an economically significant rule and does not create an environmental risk to health or risk to safety that may disproportionately affect children.

Indian Tribal Governments

This rule does not have tribal implications under Executive Order 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments, because it does not have a substantial direct effect on one or more Indian tribes, on the relationship between the

Federal Government and Indian tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibility between the Federal Government and Indian tribes.

Energy Effects

We have analyzed this rule under Executive Order 13211, Actions Concerning Regulations That Significantly Affect Energy Supply, Distribution, or Use. We have determined that it is not a "significant energy action" under that order because it is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866 and it is not likely to have a significant adverse effect on the supply, distribution, or use of energy. It has not been designated by the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs as a significant energy action. Therefore, it does not require a Statement of Energy Effects under Executive Order 13211.

Environment

The Coast Guard has considered the environmental impact of this rule and concluded that, under figure 2-1, paragraph 32(e) of Commandant Instruction M16475.1D, this rule is categorically excluded from further environmental documentation.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 117

Bridges.

For reasons set out in the preamble, the Coast Guard amends Part 117 of Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations, as follows:

PART 117—DRAWBRIDGE OPERATION REGULATIONS

1. The authority citation for Part 117 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 499; 49 CFR 1.46; 33 CFR 1.05-1(g); section 117.255 also issued under the authority of Pub. L. 102-587, 106 Stat. 5039.

2. In § 117.647, revise paragraph (a), and paragraphs (b), introductory text, (b)(3), and (b)(4); remove paragraph (c); and redesignate paragraphs (d) and (e) as paragraphs (c) and (d), to read as follows:

§ 117.647 Saginaw River.

(a) The draws of the Lake State Railways railroad bridge, mile 3.10 at Bay City, and the Central Michigan railroad bridge, mile 4.94 at Bay City, shall open on signal; except that, from December 16 through March 15, the draws shall open on signal if at least 12 hours advance notice is provided.

(b) The draws of the Independence bridge, mile 3.88, Liberty Street bridge, mile 4.99, Veterans Memorial bridge,

mile 5.60, and Lafayette Street bridge, mile 6.78, all in Bay City, shall open on signal from March 16 through December 15, except as follows:

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(3) From 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays, and Federal holidays, the draws of the Independence and Veterans Memorial bridges need not be opened for the passage of pleasure craft except from three minutes before to three minutes after the hour and half-hour.

(4) From 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays, and Federal holidays, the draws of the Liberty Street and Lafayette Street bridges need not be opened for the passage of pleasure craft, except from three minutes before to three minutes after the quarter hour and three-quarter hour.

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Dated: July 16, 2002.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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33 CFR Part 165

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Safety Zone; Chelsea River Safety Zone for McArdle Bridge Repairs, Chelsea River, East Boston, MA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone for the Chelsea River to aid completion of the McArdle Bridge repairs in East Boston, MA. The safety zone will temporarily close all waters 100-yards upstream and downstream of the McArdle Bridge. The safety zone prohibits entry into or movement within this portion of the Chelsea River and is needed to facilitate repair efforts and protect the maritime public from the hazards posed.

DATES: This rule is effective from July 18 until August 16, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Documents indicated in this preamble are available for inspection or copying at Marine Safety Office Boston, 455 Commercial Street, Boston, MA between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.