For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard amends 33 CFR Part 100 as follows:

PART 100—SAFETY OF LIFE ON NAVIGABLE WATERS

1. The authority citation for part 100 continues to read as follows:


2. Add §100.35—T11—021 to read as follows:

§100.35—T11—021 Special Local Regulation; KFOG “KaBoom” Fireworks Display, San Francisco Bay, CA.

(a) Definitions. (1) Coast Guard Patrol Commander means a commissioned, warrant, or petty officer of the Coast Guard who has been designated by the Commander, Coast Guard Group San Francisco.

(2) Official Patrol means any vessel assigned or approved by Commander, Coast Guard Group San Francisco with a commissioned, warrant, or petty officer on board and displaying a Coast Guard ensign.

(b) Regulated Area. A regulated area is established for the waters of San Francisco Bay surrounding a barge used as a firework launch platform during the KFOG “KaBoom” fireworks display.

During the loading of the fireworks barge, during the transit of the fireworks barge to the display location, and until the start of the fireworks display, the regulated area encompasses the navigable waters around and under the fireworks barge within a radius of 100 feet. During the 20-minute fireworks display, the regulated area increases in size to encompass the navigable waters around and under the fireworks launch barge within a radius of 1,000 feet. Loading of the pyrotechnics onto the fireworks barge is scheduled to commence at 9 a.m. on May 19, 2005, and will take place at Pier 50 in San Francisco. Towing of the barge from Pier 50 to the display location is scheduled to take place on May 21, 2005. During the fireworks display, scheduled to start at 9 p.m. on May 21, 2005, the barge will be located approximately 1,000 feet off of San Francisco Pier 30 in position 37°47.35’ N, 122°22.86’ W.

(c) Special Local Regulations.

(1) Except for persons or vessels authorized by the Coast Guard Patrol Commander, no person or vessel may enter or remain in the regulated area.

(2) The operator of any vessel in the regulated area shall:

(i) Stop the vessel immediately when directed to do so by any Official Patrol.

(ii) Proceed as directed by an Official Patrol.

(3) Persons desiring to transit the area of a safety zone may contact the Coast Guard Patrol Commander on VHF–FM channel 16 (156.8 MHz) to seek permission to transit the area. If permission is granted, all persons and vessels must comply with the instructions of the Patrol Commander.

(d) Effective Period. This section will be effective from 9 a.m. on May 19, 2005, to 10 p.m. on May 21, 2005. If the event concludes prior to the scheduled termination time, the Coast Guard will cease enforcement of the special local regulations and will announce that fact via Broadcast Notice to Mariners.

Dated: April 19, 2005.

K.J. Eldridge, Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, Eleventh Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 100

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Special Local Regulations for Marine Events; Severn River, College Creek, Weems Creek, and Carr Creek, Annapolis, MD

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is implementing the special local regulations for the U.S. Naval Academy Blue Angels Air show to be held May 24 and 25, 2005, over the waters of the Severn River at Annapolis, Maryland. These special local regulations are necessary to control vessel traffic due to the confined nature of the waterway and expected vessel congestion during the event. The effect will be to restrict general navigation in the regulated area for the safety of event participants, spectators and vessels transiting the event area.

DATES: 33 CFR 100.518 will be enforced from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on May 24 and 25, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ronald Houck, Marine Events Coordinator, Commander, Coast Guard Sector Baltimore, (410) 576–2674.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. Naval Academy will sponsor the Blue Angels Air show over the waters of the Severn River at Annapolis, Maryland. The events will consist of low flying, high performance aircraft performing precision maneuvers and aerial stunts. A fleet of spectator vessels is expected to gather near the event site to view the Air show. In order to ensure the safety of participants, spectators and transiting vessels, 33 CFR 100.518 will be enforced for the duration of the event. Under provisions of 33 CFR 100.518, from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on May 24 and 25, 2005 vessels may not enter the regulated area without permission from the Coast Guard Patrol Commander. Spectator vessels may anchor outside the regulated area but may not block a navigable channel. Because these restrictions will be in effect for a limited period, they should not result in a significant disruption of maritime traffic.

In addition to this notice, the maritime community will be provided extensive advance notification via the Local Notice to Mariners, and marine information broadcasts so mariners can adjust their plans accordingly.


Lawrence J. Bowling, Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District, Acting.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 100

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RIN 1625–AA08

Special Local Regulations for Marine Events; Chesapeake Bay Bridges Swim Races, Chesapeake Bay, MD

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is implementing the special local regulations at 33 CFR 100.507 during the Annual Great Chesapeake Bay Swim and Chesapeake Challenge One Mile Swim events to be held on June 12, 2005. This action is necessary to provide for the safety of life on navigable waters before, during and after the event. The effect will be to restrict general navigation in the regulated area for the safety of event participants, and support vessels in the event area.
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

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RIN 1625–AA09

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, Treasure Island, Pinellas County, FL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard modified the regulations that govern the operation of the Treasure Island Causeway Bridge. The change allows for daily bridge openings every 20-minutes from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. This regulation should improve vehicular traffic movement while the Treasure Island Causeway Bridge is undergoing repairs and will not unreasonably interfere with vessel movement.

DATES: This rule is effective from May 16, 2005 until 7 p.m. on November 1, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Documents referred to in this preamble as being available in the Federal Register have been placed in the Coast Guard’s headquarters library in Room 3337, Building Engraving Center, Washington, DC 20590, and are available for inspection or copying at Commander (obr), Seventh Coast Guard District, Bridge Branch, (305) 415–6747.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulatory Information

We did not publish a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) for this regulation. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing an NPRM. Publishing an NPRM is contrary to the public interest, as massive vehicular traffic congestion has resulted from bridge openings coupled with construction on the Treasure Island Causeway Bridge. The increased traffic congestion threatens public safety and this regulation reduces public risk by lengthening the time between bridge openings.

Under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for making this rule effective in less than 30 days after publication in the Federal Register for the same reasons noted above.

Background and Purpose

The Treasure Island Causeway Bridge, which crosses the Boca Ciega Bay in the City of Treasure Island, Pinellas County, Florida, is being replaced. As a result of this construction, bridge openings have caused vehicular delay that far exceeds the normal travel time for this bridge. The City of Treasure Island Transportation Director requested we temporarily amend the current bridge schedule and lengthen the time between bridge openings during the remainder of the construction period. We have reviewed the Transportation Director’s request and have determined that modifying the current regulation to allow for bridge openings every 20-minutes, vice 15-minutes, greatly reduces massive vehicular backups while providing for the reasonable needs of navigation.

Discussion of Rule

The existing operating regulation in 33 CFR 117.287(g) requires the bridge to open on signal, except that from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. the draw need open only on the hour, quarter hour, half hour and three quarter hour. This regulation would modify the existing schedule, on a temporary basis to cover the remainder of the construction period, and require the bridge to open on the hour, twenty minutes past the hour and forty minutes past the hour from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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 a "significant" under the regulatory policies and procedures of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). The Coast Guard expects the economic impact of this rule to be so minimal that a full Regulatory Evaluation is unnecessary, as this rule will not significantly affect the current pattern of marine traffic through the bridge and will provide for the reasonable needs of navigation.

Small Entities

Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601–612), we have considered whether this rule would have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The term "small entities" comprises small businesses, not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not