

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY****Coast Guard****33 CFR Part 117**

[Docket Number USCG-2016-0707]

**Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Upper Mississippi River, Rock Island, IL****AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.**ACTION:** Notice of deviation from drawbridge regulation.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard has issued a temporary deviation from the operating schedule that governs the Rock Island Railroad and Highway Drawbridge across the Upper Mississippi River, mile 482.9, at Rock Island, Illinois. The deviation is necessary to facilitate a charity marathon race. This deviation allows the bridge to be maintained in the closed-to-navigation position for four and a half hours.

**DATES:** This deviation is effective from 7 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., September 25, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** The docket for this deviation, (USCG-2016-0707) is available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Type the docket number in the “SEARCH” box and click “SEARCH”. Click on Open Docket Folder on the line associated with this deviation.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions on this temporary deviation, call or email Eric A. Washburn, Bridge Administrator, Western Rivers, Coast Guard; telephone 314-269-2378, email [Eric.Washburn@uscg.mil](mailto:Eric.Washburn@uscg.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The U.S. Army Rock Island Arsenal requested a temporary deviation for the Rock Island Railroad and Highway Drawbridge, across the Upper Mississippi River, mile 482.9, at Rock Island, Illinois to remain in the closed-to-navigation position for four and a half hours from 7 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., September 25, 2016 to facilitate the Quad City Marathon.

The Rock Island Railroad and Highway Drawbridge currently operates in accordance with 33 CFR 117.5, which states the general requirement that the drawbridge shall open on signal. There are no alternate routes for vessels transiting this section of the Upper Mississippi River. The bridge cannot open in case of emergency.

The Rock Island Railroad and Highway Drawbridge provides a vertical clearance of 23.8 feet above normal pool in the closed-to-navigation position. Navigation on the waterway consists

primarily of commercial tows and recreational watercraft. This temporary deviation has been coordinated with waterway users. No objections were received. The Coast Guard will also inform the users of the waterways through our Local and Broadcast Notices to Mariners of the change in operating schedule for the bridge so that vessel operators can arrange their transits to minimize any impact caused by the temporary deviation.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(e), the drawbridge must return to its regular operating schedule immediately at the end of the effective period of this temporary deviation. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: August 19, 2016.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY****Coast Guard****33 CFR Part 165**

[Docket Number USCG-2016-0735]

**RIN 1625-AA00****Safety Zone; Nahant Bay, Marblehead, MA****AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.**ACTION:** Temporary final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone on the navigable waters of the Captain of the Port (COTP) Boston Zone within a 2,500-yard radius around a position approximately 6nm Northeast of Nahant Bay, MA, for a Department of Defense (DOD) Training Exercise. The safety zone is needed to protect Navy personnel, support vessels, and the maritime public from the hazards associated with this training exercise. Entering into, transiting through, mooring, or anchoring within this safety zone during periods of enforcement is prohibited unless authorized by the Coast Guard Sector Boston COTP or the COTP's designated representative.

**DATES:** This rule is effective on August 24, 2016 from 7:00 p.m. through 10:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** To view documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, type USCG-2016-0735 in the “SEARCH” box and click

“SEARCH.” Click on Open Docket Folder on the line associated with this rule.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions on this rule, call or email, Mark Cutter, Sector Boston Waterways Management Division, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 617-223-4000, email [Mark.E.Cutter@uscg.mil](mailto:Mark.E.Cutter@uscg.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Table of Abbreviations**

COTP	Captain of the Port
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
DHS	Department of Homeland Security
DOD	Department of Defense
FR	Federal Register
NPRM	Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
NAD 83	North American Datum of 1983
§	Section
U.S.C.	United States Code

**II. Background Information and Regulatory History**

The Coast Guard is issuing this temporary rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment pursuant to authority under section 4(a) of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) (5 U.S.C. 553(b)). This provision authorizes an agency to issue a rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment when the agency for good cause finds that those procedures are “impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest.” Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing a NPRM with respect to this rule because publishing a NPRM would be impracticable. DOD Training Exercise will take place on August 24, 2016. The DOD Exercise will consist of High-altitude military parachuting freefall insertion approximately 6nm Northeast of Nahant, MA, in position 42° 27.00' N., 070° 50.00' W. This exercise will present safety hazards and risks to Navy personnel, support vessels, and the maritime public during the exercise. It would be impracticable to delay promulgating this rule, as it would not be possible to conduct notice and comment rulemaking before the date of the exercise. For this reason, the Coast Guard finds it impracticable to delay this regulation.

We are issuing this rule, and under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for making it effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. Delaying the effective date of this rule would be impracticable for the same reasons specified above.

**III. Legal Authority and Need for Rule**

The Coast Guard is issuing this rule under authority in 33 U.S.C. 1231. The