(b) Effective and enforcement period. This rule will be effective from 8:00 a.m. on June 12, 2017 to 6:00 p.m. on August 31, 2017, but will only be enforced during cable installation operations or other instances which may cause a hazard to navigation, when deemed necessary by the Captain of the Port (COTP), Sector Long Island Sound. The Coast Guard will issue a Broadcast Notice to Mariners via VHF–FM marine channel 16 eight hours in advance to any scheduled period of enforcement or as soon as practicable in response to an emergency.

(c) Definitions. The following definitions apply to this section: A “designated representative” is any Coast Guard commissioned, warrant or petty officer of the U.S. Coast Guard who has been designated by the COTP, Sector Long Island Sound, to act on his or her behalf. The designated representative may be on an official patrol vessel or may be on shore and will communicate with vessels via VHF–FM radio or loudhailer. “Official patrol vessels” may consist of any Coast Guard, Coast Guard Auxiliary, state, or local law enforcement vessels assigned or approved by the COTP, Sector Long Island Sound. In addition, members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary may be present to inform vessel operators of this regulation. A “work vessel” is any vessel provided by United Illuminating Company for the Housatonic River Crossing Project and may be hailed via VHF channel 13 or 16.

(d) Regulations. (1) The general regulations contained in § 165.23 apply.

(2) In accordance with the general regulations in § 165.23, entry into or movement within this zone is prohibited unless authorized by the COTP Long Island Sound.

(3) Operators of vessels desiring to enter or operate within the safety zone should contact the COTP Long Island Sound at 203-468-4401 (Sector Long Island Sound Command Center) or the designated representative via VHF channel 16 to obtain permission to do so. Request to enter or operate in the safety zone must be made 24 hours in advance of the planned undertaking.

(4) Mariners are requested to proceed with caution after passing arrangements have been made. Mariners are requested to cooperate with the United Illuminating Company work vessels for the safety of all concerned. The United Illuminating Company work vessels will be monitoring VHF channels 13 and 16. Mariners are requested to proceed with extreme caution and operate at their slowest safe speed as to not cause a wake.

(5) Any vessel given permission to enter or operate in the safety zone must comply with all directions given to them by the COTP Long Island Sound, or the designated on-scene representative.

(6) Upon being hailed by a U.S. Coast Guard vessel by siren, radio, flashing light or other means, the operator of the vessel shall proceed as directed.

Dated: June 8, 2017.

A.E. Tucci,
Captain, U. S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port Long Island Sound.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Suestion No. USCG–2017–0608]

Safety Zone; Fourth of July Fireworks Display, Tahoe City, CA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce the safety zone for the Fourth of July Fireworks Display, Tahoe City, CA in the Port of the Port, San Francisco area of responsibility during the dates and times noted below. This action is necessary to protect life and property of the maritime public from the hazards associated with the fireworks display. During the enforcement period, unauthorized persons or vessels are prohibited from entering into, transiting through, or anchoring in the safety zone, unless authorized by the Patrol Commander (PATCOM).

DATES: The regulations in 33 CFR 165.1191, Table 1, Item number 15, will be enforced from 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. on July 4, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice, call or email Lieutenant Junior Grade Christina Ramirez, Sector San Francisco Waterways Safety Division, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 415–399–2001, email D11–PF–MarineEvents@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce a safety zone in navigable waters around and under the fireworks barge within a radius of 100 feet during the loading, transit, and arrival of the fireworks barge to the display location and until the start of the fireworks display. From 7 a.m. until 10 a.m. on July 4, 2017, the fireworks barge will be loading pyrotechnics at the Kings Beach Boat Ramp, in Kings Beach, CA. From approximately 10 a.m. to noon on July 4, 2017, the loaded fireworks barge will transit from the Kings Beach Boat Ramp to the launch site off of Commons Beach in Tahoe City, CA.

This notice is issued under authority of 33 CFR 165.1191 and 5 U.S.C. 552(a).

In addition to this notice in the Federal Register, the Coast Guard will provide the maritime community with extensive advance notification of the safety zone and its enforcement period via the Local Notice to Mariners. If the Captain of the Port determines that the regulated area need not be enforced for the full duration stated in this notice, a Broadcast Notice to Mariners may be used to grant general permission to enter the regulated area.


Anthony J. Ceraolo,
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