Department of Defense

Department of the Navy

32 CFR Part 706

Certifications and Exemptions Under the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy (DoN) is amending its certifications and exemptions under the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972 (72 COLREGS), to reflect that the Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General (DAJAG) (Admiralty and Maritime Law) has determined that USS MANCHESTER (LCS 14) is a vessel of the Navy which, due to its special construction and purpose, cannot fully comply with certain provisions of the 72 COLREGS without interfering with its special function as a naval ship. The intended effect of this rule is to warn mariners in waters where 72 COLREGS apply.

DATES: This rule is effective August 2, 2017 and is applicable beginning July 25, 2017.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the authority granted in 33 U.S.C. 1605, the DoN amends 32 CFR part 706. This amendment provides notice that the DAJAG (Admiralty and Maritime Law), under authority delegated by the Secretary of the Navy, has certified that USS MANCHESTER (LCS 14) is a vessel of the Navy which, due to its special construction and purpose, cannot fully comply with the following specific provisions of 72 COLREGS without interfering with its special function as a naval ship: Annex I, paragraph 9(b), pertaining to the arc of visibility of middle tasks lights; Rule 27(b)(i) and Annex I, paragraph 9(b)(i), pertaining to the visibility of tasks lights (restricted maneuverability) obstructions; Rule 21(a) and Annex I, paragraph 9(b)(i), pertaining to the visibility of middle tasks lights. The DAJAG (Admiralty and Maritime Law) has also certified that the lights involved are located in closest possible compliance with the applicable 72 COLREGS requirements.

List of Subjects in 32 CFR Part 706

Marine safety, Navigation (water), and Vessels.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, the DoN amends part 706 of title 32 of the Code of Federal Regulations as follows:

PART 706—CERTIFICATIONS AND EXEMPTIONS UNDER THE INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS FOR PREVENTING COLLISIONS AT SEA, 1972

1. The authority citation for part 706 continues to read as follows:


2. Section 706.2 is amended:

a. In Table One, by adding in alpha numerical order by vessel number, an entry for USS MANCHESTER (LCS 14); and
b. In Table Four, under paragraph 15, by adding in alpha numerical order by vessel number, an entry for USS MANCHESTER (LCS 14); and
c. In Table Four, under paragraph 16, by adding in alpha numerical order by vessel number, an entry for USS MANCHESTER (LCS 14); and
d. In Table Four, under paragraph 27, by adding in alpha numerical order by vessel number, an entry for USS MANCHESTER (LCS 14); and
e. In Table Five, by adding in alpha numerical order by vessel number, an entry for USS MANCHESTER (LCS 14).

The additions read as follows:

§ 706.2 Certifications of the Secretary of the Navy under Executive Order 11964 and 33 U.S.C. 1605.

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## TABLE ONE

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Vessel</th>
<th>No.</th>
<th>Distance in meters of forward masthead light below minimum required height, §2(a)(i), Annex I</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>USS MANCHESTER</td>
<td>LCS 14</td>
<td>4.3</td>
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## TABLE FOUR

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Vessel</th>
<th>No.</th>
<th>Horizontal distances from the fore and aft centerline of the vessel in the athwartship direction</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>USS MANCHESTER</td>
<td>LCS 14</td>
<td>Upper—0.16 meters. Middle—1.27 meters. Lower—1.24 meters.</td>
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</table>

27. On the following ships, the arc of visibility of the middle task light (restricted maneuverability), required by the rule 27(b)(i) and Annex I, paragraph 9(b)(i), may be obstructed at the following angles relative to ship's heading:

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<th>Vessel</th>
<th>No.</th>
<th>Obstruction angle relative ship's headings</th>
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<tr>
<td>USS MANCHESTER</td>
<td>LCS 14</td>
<td>72° thru 74°. 286° thru 288°.</td>
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TABLE FIVE

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<tr>
<th>Vessel</th>
<th>No.</th>
<th>Masthead lights not over all other lights and obstructions, Annex I, sec. 2(f)</th>
<th>Forward masthead light not in forward quarter of ship, Annex I, sec. 3(a)</th>
<th>After masthead light less than ½ ship's length aft of forward masthead light, Annex I, sec. 3(a)</th>
<th>Percentage horizontal separation attained</th>
</tr>
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<tr>
<td>USS MANCHESTER</td>
<td>LCS 14</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>14.5</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Approved: July 25, 2017.
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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165
[Docket Number USCG–2011–0228]

Safety Zone, Brandon Road Lock and Dam to Lake Michigan Including Des Plaines River, Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal, Chicago River, Calumet-Saganashkee Channel, Chicago, IL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.
ACTION: Notice of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce a segment of the Safety Zone; Brandon Road Lock and Dam to Lake Michigan including Des Plaines River, Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal, Chicago River, Calumet-Saganashkee Channel on all waters of the Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal between Mile Marker 296.1 to Mile Marker 296.7. Enforcement will occur on each Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m., from July 31, 2017 through September 1, 2017. During the enforcement period, no vessel may transit this regulated area without approval from the Captain of the Port Lake Michigan or a designated on-scene representative. Vessels and persons granted permission to enter the safety zone shall obey all lawful orders or directions of the Captain of the Port Lake Michigan, or his or her on-scene representative.

This notice of enforcement is issued under the authority of 33 CFR 165.930 and 5 U.S.C. 552(a). In addition to this publication in the Federal Register, the Captain of the Port Lake Michigan will also provide notice through other means, which will include Broadcast Notice to Mariners, Local Notice to Mariners, distribution in leaflet form, and on-scene oral notice. Additionally, the Captain of the Port Lake Michigan may notify representatives from the maritime industry through telephonic and email notifications. If the Captain of the Port or a designated representative determines that the regulated area need not be enforced for the full duration stated in this notice of enforcement, he or she may use a Broadcast Notice to Mariners to grant general permission to enter the regulated area. The Captain of the Port Lake Michigan or a designated on-scene representative may be contacted via Channel 16, VHF–FM or at (414) 747–7182.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165
[Docket Number USCG–2017–0702]
RIN 1625–AA00

Safety Zone; South Branch of the Chicago River, Chicago, IL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.
ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone on the South Branch of the Chicago River, Chicago, IL. This action is necessary and intended to ensure safety of life on the navigable waters of the United States immediately prior to, during, and after the filming of a scene for a television series, where objects will be thrown off a bridge. Entry of vessels or persons into this zone is prohibited unless specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port Lake Michigan.
DATES: This rule is effective from 8 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. on August 4, 2017.
ADDRESSES: To view documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to http://www.regulations.gov, type USCG–2017–0702 in the “SEARCH” box and click...