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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

#### 33 CFR Part 117

[Docket No. USCG-2018-0745]

#### Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway (AIWW), Wrightsville Beach, NC and Northeast Cape Fear River, Wilmington, NC

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of deviation from drawbridge regulation.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard has issued a temporary deviation from the operating schedules that govern the S.R. 74 (Wrightsville Beach) Bridge across the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway (AIWW), mile 283.1, at Wrightsville Beach, NC, and the Isabel S. Holmes Bridge across the Northeast Cape Fear River, mile 1.0, at Wilmington, NC. The deviation is necessary to accommodate the free movement of pedestrians and vehicles during the 2018 PPD IRONMAN North Carolina “Beach2Battleship” Triathlon. This deviation allow these bridges to remain in their closed-to-navigation position.

**DATES:** The deviation is effective from 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on October 13, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** The docket for this deviation, [USCG-2018-0745], 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 Mr. Mickey Sanders, Bridge Administration Branch Fifth District, Coast Guard; telephone 757-398-6587, email [Mickey.D.Sanders2@uscg.mil](mailto:Mickey.D.Sanders2@uscg.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The event director, PPD Ironman North Carolina, with approval from the North Carolina Department of Transportation, who owns and operates the S.R. 74 (Wrightsville Beach) and the Isabel S. Holmes Bridges has requested a temporary deviation from the current operating regulations to accommodate

the free movement of pedestrians and vehicles during the 2018 PPD IRONMAN North Carolina “Beach2Battleship” Triathlon. The bridges are double bascule bridges and have vertical clearances in the closed position of 20 feet and 40 feet, respectively, above mean high water.

The current operating schedule is set out in 33 CFR 117.821(a)(4) and 33 CFR 117.829(a), respectively. Under this temporary deviation, the S.R. 74 (Wrightsville Beach) Bridge will be maintained in the closed-to-navigation position from 6:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. on October 13, 2018, and the Isabel S. Holmes Bridge will be maintained in the closed-to-navigation position from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on October 13, 2018. The Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway is used by a variety of vessels including, small commercial fishing vessels and recreational vessels. The Northeast Cape Fear River is used by a variety of vessels including, small commercial fishing vessels, recreational vessels, and tug and barge traffic. The Coast Guard has carefully considered the nature and volume of vessel traffic on the waterway in publishing this temporary deviation.

Vessels able to pass through these bridges in their closed positions may do so at anytime. These bridges will be able to open for emergencies and there are no immediate alternative routes for vessels unable to pass through the bridges in their closed positions. The Coast Guard will also inform the users of the waterways through our Local and Broadcast Notices to Mariners of the change in operating schedules for these bridges 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), these drawbridges must return to their regular operating schedules immediately at the end of the effective periods of this temporary deviation. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: August 2, 2018.

**Hal R. Pitts,**

*Bridge Program Manager, Fifth Coast Guard District.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

#### 33 CFR Part 117

[Docket No. USCG-2018-0702]

#### Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Lake Washington Ship Canal, Seattle, WA

**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 Montlake Bridge across the Lake Washington Ship Canal, mile 5.2, at Seattle, WA. The deviation is necessary to accommodate vehicular traffic attending football games at Husky Stadium at the University of Washington. This deviation allows the bridge to remain in the closed-to-navigation position.

**DATES:** This deviation is effective from 11:30 a.m. on September 8, 2018 through 11 p.m. on November 17, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** The docket for this deviation, USCG-2018-0702 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 Mr. Steven Fischer, Bridge Administrator, Thirteenth Coast Guard District; telephone 206-220-7282, email [d13-pf-d13bridges@uscg.mil](mailto:d13-pf-d13bridges@uscg.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Washington Department of Transportation (bridge owner), has requested a temporary deviation from the operating schedule for the Montlake Bridge across the Lake Washington Ship Canal, at mile 5.2, at Seattle, WA. The deviation is necessary to manage heavy vehicular traffic expected for University of Washington football games. While all dates have been released, exact game times for five of the six events scheduled for Husky Stadium have not yet been determined by the National Collegiate Athletic Association. The times for TBA (Time to Be Announced) closures on September 22, 2018, September 29, 2018, October 20, 2018, November 3, 2018 and November 17, 2018 will be announced in the Local Notice to Mariners as they become available. The Montlake Bridge in the closed-to-navigation position provides 30 feet of vertical clearance throughout

the navigation channel, and 46 feet of vertical clearance throughout the center 60 feet of the bridge; vertical clearance

references to the Mean Water Level of Lake Washington.  
The normal operating schedule for the Montlake Bridge operates in accordance

with 33 CFR 117.1051(e). The deviation period and span operation is described in the table below:

Time/date start	Time/date end	Action
11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sep 8, 2018 .....	5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Sep 8, 2018 .....	span in the closed-to-navigation position.
TBA Sep 22, 2018 .....	TBA Sep 22, 2018 .....	span in the closed-to-navigation position.
TBA Sep 29, 2018 .....	TBA Sep 29, 2018 .....	span in the closed-to-navigation position.
TBA Oct 20, 2018 .....	TBA Oct 20, 2018 .....	span in the closed-to-navigation position.
TBA Nov 3, 2018 .....	TBA Nov 3, 2018 .....	span in the closed-to-navigation position.
TBA Nov 17, 2018 .....	TBA Nov 17, 2018 .....	span in the closed-to-navigation position.

Waterway usage on the Lake Washington Ship Canal ranges from commercial tug and barge to small pleasure craft. Vessels able to pass through the bridge in the closed-to-navigation position may do so at anytime. The bridge will be able to open for emergency vessels in route to a call when an hour notice is given to the bridge operator. The Lake Washington Ship Canal has no immediate alternate route for vessels to pass. 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 vessels 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 designated time period. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: July 31, 2018.

**Steven M. Fischer,**  
*Bridge Administrator, Thirteenth Coast Guard District.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

**Coast Guard**

**33 CFR Part 165**

[Docket Number USCG-2018-0427]

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**Safety Zone; USA Triathlon Age Group National Championships; Lake Erie, Cleveland, OH**

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Temporary final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone for certain waters of Lake Erie during the USA Triathlon Age Group National Championships. This safety zone is

intended to restrict vessels from a portion of Lake Erie off of Edgewater Park during the USA Triathlon Age Group National Championships. This temporary safety zone is necessary to protect participants and spectators during the event from the hazards associated with a large scale swimming event. Entry of vessels or persons into this zone is prohibited unless specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port Buffalo.

**DATES:** This rule is effective from 9:45 a.m. August 10, 2018 until 12:15 p.m. August 12, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** To view documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, type USCG-2018-0427 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 LT Ryan Junod, Chief of Waterways Management, U.S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Unit Cleveland; telephone 216-937-0124, email [D09-SMB-MSUCLEVELAND-WWM@uscg.mil](mailto:D09-SMB-MSUCLEVELAND-WWM@uscg.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Table of Abbreviations**

CFR Code of Federal Regulations  
DHS Department of Homeland Security  
FR Federal Register  
NPRM Notice of proposed rulemaking  
§ Section  
U.S.C. United States Code

**II. Background Information and Regulatory History**

On June 26, 2018 the Coast Guard published a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) titled USA Triathlon Age Group National Championships; Lake Erie, Cleveland, OH (83 FR 29721). There we stated why we issued the NPRM, and invited comments on our proposed regulatory action related to this swim event. During the comment period that ended July 26, 2018 we received no comments.

Under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for making this rule effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register** because doing so would be impracticable and contrary to the public interest. Delaying the effective date would be contrary to the rule's objectives of ensuring safety of life on the navigable waters and protection of persons and vessels near the event.

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

The Coast Guard is issuing this rule under authority in 33 U.S.C. 1231. The Captain of the Port Buffalo (COTP) has determined that a large-scale swim event on a navigable waterway will pose a significant risk to participants and the boating public. This rule is necessary to protect participants and spectators during the USA Triathlon Age Group National Championships.

**IV. Discussion of Comments, Changes, and The Rule**

As noted above, we received no comments on our NPRM published June 26, 2018. There are no changes in the regulatory text of this rule from the proposed rule in the NPRM.

This rule establishes a safety zone from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on August 10, 2018, from 5:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on August 11, 2018, and from 5:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on August 12, 2018. The safety zone will cover all navigable waters of Lake Erie, off of Edgewater Park, Cleveland OH, inside an area starting on shore at position 41°29'16" N, 081°44'49" W then Northwest to 41°29'34" N, 081°45'02" W then Northeast to 41°29'43" N, 081°44'31" W then Southeast back to shore at position 41°29'28" N, 081°44'22" (NAD 83). The duration of the zone is intended to enhance the safety of vessels and swimmers on these navigable waters before, during, and after the scheduled events over the course of the three days.

No vessel or person will be permitted to enter the safety zone without obtaining permission from the COTP or a designated representative. The Captain