

days after January 13, 2025 (the effective date of AD 2024–24–10).

(3) The initial compliance time for doing the tasks specified in paragraph (3) of EASA AD 2024–0046 is at the applicable “limitations” and “associated thresholds” as incorporated by the requirements of paragraph (3) of EASA AD 2024–0046, or within 90 days after January 13, 2025 (the effective date of AD 2024–24–10), whichever occurs later.

(4) This AD does not adopt the provisions specified in paragraphs (4) and (5) of EASA AD 2024–0046.

(5) This AD does not adopt the “Remarks” section of EASA AD 2024–0046.

(i) Retained Restrictions on Alternative Actions and Intervals, With a New Exception

This paragraph restates the requirements of paragraph (l) of AD 2024–24–10, with a new exception. Except as required by paragraph (j) of this AD, after the existing maintenance or inspection program has been revised as required by paragraph (g) of this AD, no alternative actions (*e.g.*, inspections) and intervals are allowed unless they are approved as specified in the provisions of the “Ref. Publications” section of EASA AD 2024–0046.

(j) New Revision of the Existing Maintenance or Inspection Program

Except as specified in paragraph (k) of this AD: Comply with all required actions and compliance times specified in, and in accordance with, EASA AD 2025–0032, dated February 10, 2025 (EASA AD 2025–0032). Accomplishing the revision of the existing maintenance or inspection program required by this paragraph terminates the requirements of paragraph (g) of this AD.

(k) Exceptions to EASA AD 2025–0032

(1) This AD does not adopt the requirements specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) of EASA AD 2025–0032.

(2) Paragraph (3) of EASA AD 2025–0032 specifies revising “the approved AMP,” within 12 months after its effective date, but this AD requires revising the existing maintenance or inspection program, as applicable, within 90 days after the effective date of this AD.

(3) The initial compliance time for doing the tasks specified in paragraph (3) of EASA AD 2025–0032 is at the applicable “limitations” and “associated thresholds” as incorporated by the requirements of paragraph (3) of EASA AD 2025–0032, or within 90 days after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs later.

(4) This AD does not adopt the provisions specified in paragraphs (4) and (5) of EASA AD 2025–0032.

(5) This AD does not adopt the “Remarks” section of EASA AD 2025–0032.

(l) New Provisions for Alternative Actions and Intervals

After the existing maintenance or inspection program has been revised as required by paragraph (j) of this AD, no alternative actions (*e.g.*, inspections) and intervals are allowed unless they are approved as specified in the provisions of the

“Ref. Publications” section of EASA AD 2025–0032.

(m) Terminating Action for Certain Requirements of AD 2018–23–02

Accomplishing the revision of the existing maintenance or inspection program required by paragraph (g) or (j) of this AD terminates the requirements of paragraphs (g) through (k) of AD 2018–23–02.

(n) Additional AD Provisions

The following provisions also apply to this AD:

(1) *Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)*: The Manager, AIR–520, Continued Operational Safety Branch, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or responsible Flight Standards Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the manager of the Continued Operational Safety Branch, send it to the attention of the person identified in paragraph (o) of this AD and email to: AMOC@faa.gov.

(2) *Contacting the Manufacturer*: For any requirement in this AD to obtain instructions from a manufacturer, the instructions must be accomplished using a method approved by the Manager, AIR–520, Continued Operational Safety Branch, FAA; or EASA; or Airbus SAS’s EASA Design Organization Approval (DOA). If approved by the DOA, the approval must include the DOA-authorized signature.

(o) Additional Information

For more information about this AD, contact Frank Carreras, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA 98198; phone: 206–231–3539; email: frank.carreras@faa.gov.

(p) Material Incorporated by Reference

(1) The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference (IBR) of the material listed in this paragraph under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.

(2) You must use this material as applicable to do the actions required by this AD, unless this AD specifies otherwise.

(3) The following material was approved for IBR on [DATE 35 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE FINAL RULE].

(i) European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) AD 2025–0032, dated February 10, 2025.

(ii) [Reserved]

(4) The following material was approved for IBR on January 13, 2025 (89 FR 97505, December 9, 2024).

(i) EASA AD 2024–0046, dated February 19, 2024.

(ii) [Reserved]

(5) For EASA material identified in this AD, contact EASA, Konrad-Adenauer-Ufer 3, 50668 Cologne, Germany; telephone +49 221 8999 000; email ADs@easa.europa.eu. You may find this material on the EASA website at ad.easa.europa.eu.

(6) You may view this material at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the

availability of this material at the FAA, call 206–231–3195.

(7) You may view this material at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, visit www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations or email fr.inspection@nara.gov.

Issued on January 28, 2026.

Peter A. White,

Deputy Director, Integrated Certificate Management Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket Number USCG–2026–0018]

RIN 1625–AA00

Safety Zone; Inner Harbor, Baltimore, MD

AGENCY: Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is proposing to establish a temporary safety zone for certain navigable waters of the Inner Harbor in Baltimore, MD. The safety zone is needed to protect personnel, vessels, and the marine environment from potential hazards created during an Air Show. This proposed rulemaking would prohibit persons and vessels from being in the safety zone unless specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port, Sector Maryland-National Capital Region, or a designated representative. We invite your comments on this proposed rulemaking.

DATES: Comments and related material must be received by the Coast Guard on or before March 2, 2026.

ADDRESSES: To submit comments and view available documents, go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for USCG–2026–0018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this proposed rule, contact Mr. Charles Bullock, Sector Maryland-National Capital Region Waterways Management Division, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 410–576–2674, email Charles.d.bullock@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Table of Abbreviations

CFR Code of Federal Regulations
COTP Captain of the Port, Sector Maryland-National Capital Region

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

II. Background and Authority

SAIL250[®] Maryland & Airshow Baltimore (SAIL250) is planning a week-long celebration of maritime and aviation events in Baltimore's Inner Harbor between June 24–30, 2026. Among these events are flyovers and aviation demonstrations. They may include a U.S. Coast Guard Search and Rescue Drill and WWII-era “Warbird” flyovers.

To protect personnel, vessels, and the marine environment from potential hazards arising from these activities in these navigable waters before, during, and after the air demonstrations, the Captain of the Port, Sector Maryland-National Capital Region (COTP) is proposing to establish a safety zone from 10 a.m. on June 24, 2026, through 6 p.m. on July 1, 2026. We are proposing this rule under the authority in 46 U.S.C. 70034.

III. Discussion of the Rule

Although the safety zone would be in effect for a week, it would only be subject to enforcement beginning thirty minutes prior to a demonstration and ending at the conclusion of that demonstration. It would cover all navigable waters of the Inner Harbor, encompassed by a line connecting the following points: beginning at Inner Harbor Pier 6 at position latitude 39°16'59" N, longitude 076°36'12" W, thence south to the Harborview Towers pier at latitude 39°16'41" N, longitude 076°36'12" W, thence northerly and easterly along the shoreline to and terminating at the point of origin located in Baltimore, MD. The dimensions of the safety zone are approximately 2,000 yards in length and 500 yards in width. The regulatory text we are proposing appears at the end of this document.

IV. Regulatory Analyses

We developed this proposed rule after considering numerous statutes and Executive orders related to rulemaking. Below we summarize our analyses based on a number of these statutes and Executive orders.

A. Impact on Small Entities

The Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980, 5 U.S.C. 601–612, as amended, requires Federal agencies to consider the potential impact of regulations on small entities during rulemaking. The term “small entities” comprises small businesses, not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and

operated and are not dominant in their fields, and governmental jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000. Section 605 of the RFA allows an agency to certify a rule, in lieu of preparing an analysis, if the rulemaking is not expected to have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The Coast Guard certifies under 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this proposed rule would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities for the following reasons.

This regulation will only impact a small area for a few hours at a time. In addition, the Coast Guard will issue a Broadcast Notice to Mariners via VHF FM marine channel 16, which will allow small entities to adjust their transit plans, and the rule allows vessels to request permission to enter the regulated area from the COTP.

If you think that your business, organization, or governmental jurisdiction qualifies as a small entity and that this proposed rule would have a significant economic impact on it, please submit a comment (see **ADDRESSES**) explaining why you think it qualifies and how and to what degree this proposed rule would economically affect it.

Under section 213(a) of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104–121), if this proposed rule will affect your small business, organization, or governmental jurisdiction and you have questions, contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Small businesses may send comments to the Small Business and Agriculture Regulatory Enforcement Ombudsman and the Regional Small Business Regulatory Fairness Boards by calling 1–888–REG–FAIR (1–888–734–3247).

B. Collection of Information

This proposed rule will not call for a new collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520).

C. Federalism and Indian Tribal Governments

We have analyzed this proposed rule under Executive Order 13132, Federalism, and have determined that it is consistent with the fundamental federalism principles and preemption requirements described in that Order.

Also, this proposed rule does not have tribal implications under Executive Order 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments, because it does not have a substantial direct effect on one or

more Indian tribes, on the relationship between the Federal Government and Indian tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the Federal Government and Indian tribes.

D. Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

As required by The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1531–1538), the Coast Guard certifies that this proposed rule will not result in an annual expenditure of \$100,000,000 or more (adjusted for inflation) by a State, local, or tribal government, in the aggregate, or by the private sector.

E. Environment

We have analyzed this proposed rule under Department of Homeland Security Directive 023–01, Rev. 1, associated implementing instructions, and Environmental Planning COMDTINST 5090.1 (series), which guide the Coast Guard in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321–4370f), and have determined that this action is one of a category of actions that do not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment.

This proposed rule is a safety zone. It is categorically excluded from further review under paragraph L60(a) of Appendix A, Table 1 of DHS Instruction Manual 023–01–001–01, Rev. 1. A Record of Environmental Consideration supporting this determination is available in the docket.

V. Public Participation and Request for Comments

We view public participation as essential to effective rulemaking and will consider all comments and material received during the comment period. Your comment can help shape the outcome of this rulemaking. If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this rulemaking, indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation.

Submitting comments. We encourage you to submit comments at <https://www.regulations.gov>. To do so, go to <https://www.regulations.gov>, type USCG–2026–0018 in the search box and click “Search.” Next, look for this document in the Search Results column, and click on it. Then click on the Comment option. If you cannot submit your material by using <https://www.regulations.gov>, call or email the person in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this proposed rule for alternate instructions.

Viewing material in the docket. To view available documents, find the docket as described in the previous paragraph, and then select “Supporting & Related Material” in the Document Type column. We will post public comments in our online docket. Additional information is on the <https://www.regulations.gov> Frequently Asked Questions web page.

Personal information. We accept anonymous comments. Comments we post to <https://www.regulations.gov> will include any personal information you have provided. For more about privacy and submissions to the docket in response to this document, see DHS’s eRulemaking System of Records notice (85 FR 14226, March 11, 2020).

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 165

Harbors, Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Security measures, Waterways.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard is proposing to amend 33 CFR part 165 as follows:

PART 165—REGULATED NAVIGATION AREAS AND LIMITED ACCESS AREAS

- 1. The authority citation for part 165 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 46 U.S.C. 70034, 70051, 70124; 33 CFR 1.05–1, 6.04–1, 6.04–6, and 160.5; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 00170.1, Revision No. 01.4.

- 2. Add § 165.T05–0018 to read as follows:

§ 165.T05–0018 Safety Zone; Inner Harbor, Baltimore, MD.

(a) *Location.* The following area is a safety zone: All waters of the Inner Harbor, encompassed by a line connecting the following points: beginning at Inner Harbor Pier 6 at position latitude 39°16′59″ N, longitude 076°36′12″ W, thence south to the Harborview Towers pier at latitude 39°16′41″ N, longitude 076°36′12″ W, thence northerly and easterly along the shoreline to and terminating at the point of origin, located in Baltimore, MD. These coordinates are based on the World Geodetic System (WGS 84)/North American Datum 83 (NAD 83).

(b) *Definitions.* As used in this section, *designated representative* means a Coast Guard Patrol Commander, including a Coast Guard coxswain, petty officer, or other officer operating a Coast Guard vessel and a Federal, State, and local officer designated by or assisting the Captain of the Port Sector Maryland-National Capital Region (COTP) in the enforcement of the safety zone.

(c) *Regulations.* (1) Under the general safety zone regulations in subpart C of this part, you may not enter the safety zone described in paragraph (a) of this section unless authorized by the COTP or the COTP’s designated representative.

(2) To seek permission to enter, contact the COTP or the COTP’s representative on VHF–FM channel 16 or by telephone at (410) 576–2693. Those in the safety zone must comply with all lawful orders or directions given to them by the COTP or the COTP’s designated representative.

(d) *Enforcement period.* This section will be enforced as needed from June 24, 2026, to July 1, 2026.

Dated: January 22, 2026.

Patrick C. Burkett,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port, Sector Maryland—National Capital Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

38 CFR Part 4

RIN 2900–AS40

Providing a Minimum Evaluation for Bradycardia

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.
ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) proposes to revise diagnostic code (DC) 7009, Bradycardia (Bradycardia), to provide a minimum 10% evaluation after pacemaker implantation. This revision will allow VA to align DC 7009 with DC 7018, Implantable cardiac pacemakers. VA also proposes to remove Note (1) found under DC 7009.

DATES: Comments must be received by March 31, 2026.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments through www.regulations.gov under RIN 2900–AS40. That website includes a plain-language summary of this rulemaking. Instructions for accessing agency documents, submitting comments, and viewing the rulemaking docket are available on www.regulations.gov under “FAQ.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Argentina Hauser and Cintia Darlington, Veterans Benefit Administration, (202) 461–9700.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

VA published a final rule in the *Federal Register* at 86 FR 54089 on

September 30, 2021, that amended the portion of the rating schedule that addresses the cardiovascular system and added DC 7009 to evaluate symptomatic bradycardia that requires pacemaker implantation. Bradycardia is characterized by a resting heart rate slower than 60 beats per minute, and bradycardia is a slow heart rate resulting from an irregular heartbeat or arrhythmia. See “Bradycardia,” Cleveland Clinic, <https://my.clevelandclinic.org/health/diseases/23349-bradycardia> (last visited January 12, 2026). Like other types of arrhythmias or heart conditions, providers may recommend pacemaker implantation to help regulate and maintain a healthy heart rate. Id.; see also “Pacemakers, Who Needs Them,” National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, <https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/pacemakers/who-needs> (last visited January 12, 2026).

Prior to establishing this new DC, VA evaluated bradycardia requiring pacemaker implantation under DC 7018, Implantable cardiac pacemakers. Therefore, VA intended to mirror the criteria within DC 7018, which allowed VA to properly evaluate bradycardia while distinguishing it from other arrhythmias. However, VA did not provide a minimum evaluation under DC 7009.

II. Minimum Evaluation

VA is proposing to add a minimum 10% evaluation under DC 7009 after pacemaker implantation. Currently, VA uses DC 7009 to assign a temporary 100% evaluation for one month following hospital discharge for implantation or re-implantation of a pacemaker. Thereafter, VA evaluates the condition using the General Rating Formula for Diseases of the Heart with no minimum evaluation. However, under DC 7018, VA assigns a temporary 100% evaluation for one month following hospital discharge for implantation or re-implantation of a pacemaker, but thereafter VA evaluates the condition as supraventricular tachycardia (DC 7010), ventricular arrhythmias (DC 7011), or atrioventricular block (DC 7015) with a minimum 10% evaluation. Since both DCs involve pacemaker implantation, the criteria for DC 7009 should also include a minimum 10% evaluation after pacemaker implantation or re-implantation to align it with DC 7018. Additionally, this action is comparable to the assignment of 10% evaluation for other diseases of the heart when continuous medication is required. While it is possible that Veterans with bradycardia treated by a pacemaker