

jurisdiction that is intended to have general applicability and future effect, but which is not intended to be binding in its own right and is not otherwise required by statute to satisfy the rulemaking procedures specified in 5 U.S.C. 553 or 5 U.S.C. 556.”

The Commission has determined that the rescission of the Guidelines does not constitute a “guidance document,” and therefore, the procedures in CFR part 1695 do not apply to the rescission. In issuing the Guidelines, the Commission “made a statement of Commission policy or interpretation concerning a statute, regulation, or technical matter.” However, in merely rescinding the Guidelines *without replacing them with a different* “statement of Commission policy or interpretation,” the Commission is not issuing a “guidance document.”

This understanding is confirmed by the specific requirements of part 1695, which contemplate that the procedures will apply only when the Commission affirmatively makes a “statement of Commission policy or interpretation” and not when the Commission rescinds such a statement. Other provisions refer either to the “repeal” or “rescission” of guidance, thereby distinguishing rescission of guidance from its adoption. See 29 CFR 1695.7(a), (e); 29 CFR 1695.8(d); 29 CFR 1695.9.

Excluding rescissions from 29 CFR part 1695 is also consistent with Executive Order 13891, which prompted the issuance of 29 CFR part 1695. Executive Order 13891 targeted the issuance of agency documents that regulate stakeholders, including the potential misuse of guidance documents to impose binding legal requirements. See Exec. Order No. 13891, Sec. 1 (Oct. 15, 2019) (“Americans deserve an open and fair regulatory process that imposes new obligations on the public only when consistent with applicable law and after an agency follows appropriate procedures.”), *rescinded by* Exec. Order 13992 (Jan. 20, 2021) (*rescinded by* Exec. Order 14148 (Jan. 20, 2025)). Executive Order 13891 required agencies to adopt procedures ensuring that they do not issue documents that improperly regulate stakeholders. The exclusion of guidance rescissions from 29 CFR part 1695 is consistent with the policy of that Executive Order.

G. Congressional Review Act

Out of an abundance of caution, the Commission has submitted this document for review under 5 U.S.C. 801.

List of Subjects in 29 CFR Part 1608

Affirmative action plans, Equal employment opportunity.

PART 1608—[REMOVED AND RESERVED]

■ For the reasons discussed in the preamble, and under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 2000e–12(b), the Commission removes and reserves 29 CFR part 1608.

Signed this 1st day of July, 2026.

Andrea R. Lucas,
Chair, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 100

[Docket No. USCG–2026–0881]

Special Local Regulations; Marine Events Within the Coast Guard East District

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notification of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce special local regulations for the 2026 Tiki Lee’s Shootout on the River Airshow from July 10 to 12, 2026, to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during this event. Our regulation for marine events within the Coast Guard East District identifies the regulated area for this event in Sparrows Point, MD. During the enforcement periods, the operator of any vessel near the aerobatics box must comply with directions from the Patrol Commander or any Official Patrol displaying a Coast Guard ensign.

DATES: The regulations in 33 CFR 100.501 will be enforced from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on July 10, 2026, and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on July 11, 2026, and July 12, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this rule, contact MST2 Natasha M. Hand, Sector Maryland—NCR, Waterways Management Division, U.S. Coast Guard: telephone 410–576–2596, email MDNCRMarineEvents@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce special local regulations in 33 CFR 100.501 for the 2026 Tiki Lee’s Shootout on the River Air Show regulated area from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on July 10, 2026, and from 1 p.m.

to 4 p.m. on July 11, 2026, and July 12, 2026. This action is being taken to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during this 3-day event. Our regulation for marine events within the Coast Guard East District, § 100.501, specifies the location of the Aerobatics Box for the Air Show which encompasses portions of the Back River. During the enforcement periods, as reflected in § 100.501(c), if you are the operator of a vessel in the regulated area you must comply with directions from the Patrol Commander or any Official Patrol displaying a Coast Guard ensign.

Dated: June 26, 2026.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 100

[Docket Number USCG–2026–0804]

RIN 1625–AA08

Special Local Regulation; Marine Events Within the USCG East District

AGENCY: Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary special local regulation (SLR) for certain waters of the Tred Avon River near Oxford, Maryland. This action is necessary to provide for the safety of life on these navigable waters near Oxford, MD during a power boat racing event on July 18, 2026. In the event of inclement weather, the event will take place on July 19, 2026. This regulation prohibits persons and vessels from entering the regulated area unless specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port Sector Maryland—National Capital Region or their designated representative.

DATES: This rule is effective from 12:30 p.m. on July 18, 2026, through 3 p.m. on July 19, 2026. It will only be subject to enforcement, however, between 12:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. on one of those two days. Weather permitting, it will be subject to enforcement, on July 18, 2026. In the event of inclement weather, it will be subject to enforcement on July 19, 2026.

ADDRESSES: To view available documents go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for USCG–2026–0804.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this rule, contact MST2 Natasha Hand, Sector Maryland—NCR, Waterways Management Division, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 410–576–2596, or email MDNCRWaterways@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Table of Abbreviations

CFR Code of Federal Regulations
COTP Captain of the Port
DHS Department of Homeland Security
FR Federal Register
NPRM Notice of proposed rulemaking
§ Section
SLR Special Local Regulation
U.S.C. United States Code

II. Background and Authority

The Coast Guard received a request under 33 CFR 100.15 from the Smith Island Crab Skiff Association for a Marine Event Permit to host Historic Smith Island crab skiff races. The event will be held from 1 p.m. through 2:30 p.m. on July 18, 2026, in and around Oxford, MD. The power boat race will consist of three heats with approximately 6 22-foot-long boats in each race, competing on a designated, marked course.

The Captain of the Port, Sector Maryland—National Capital Region is issuing this Special Local Regulation (SLR) under the authority in 46 U.S.C. 70041. The COTP has determined that potential hazards associated with the power boat race, such as the risk of collisions, would be a safety concern for anyone intending to participate in this event and for vessels that operate within the specified waters of the Tred Avon River. The purpose of this rule is to protect event participants, non-participants, and transiting vessels before, during, and after the scheduled event.

As is authorized by 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) with respect to this rule because it is impracticable to publish an NPRM, consider and respond to comments, and publish a final rule within the time if we are to establish this SLR by July 18, 2026, to protect personnel, vessels, and the marine environment. Therefore, we have do not have enough time to solicit and respond to comments.

For the same reasons, the Coast Guard finds that under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), good cause exists for making this rule

effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**.

III. Discussion of the Rule

This rule establishes a temporary SLR which will be subject to enforcement from 12:30 p.m. through 3 p.m. on July 18, 2026. Alternatively, and in the event of inclement weather, the SLR will only be subject to enforcement from 12:30 p.m. through 3 p.m. on July 19, 2026. The SLR will cover certain waters of the Tred Avon River near Oxford, Maryland. The coordinates of these waters are provided in the rule text, at the end of this document. No vessel or person other than those that are registered with the event host as participants will be permitted to enter the regulated area without obtaining permission from the COTP or their designated representative.

IV. Regulatory Analyses

We developed this 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 analysis provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980, 5 U.S.C. 601–612, do not apply to rules that are not subject to notice and comment. Because the Coast Guard has, for good cause, waived the notice and comment requirement that would otherwise apply to this rulemaking, the Regulatory Flexibility Act's flexibility analysis provisions do not apply here.

Under section 213(a) of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104–121), if this 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). The Coast Guard will not retaliate against small entities that question or complain about this rule or any policy or action of the Coast Guard.

B. Collection of Information

This 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 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 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 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 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 *et seq.*), 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 rule is a special local regulation. It is categorically excluded from further review under paragraph L61 of Appendix A, Table 1 of DHS Instruction Manual 023–01–001–01, Rev. 1.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 100

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

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard amends 33 CFR part 100 as follows:

PART 100—SAFETY OF LIFE ON NAVIGABLE WATERS

■ 1. The authority citation for part 100 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 46 U.S.C. 70041; 33 CFR 1.05–1.

■ 2. Add § 100.T599–0804 to read as follows:

§ 100.T599–0804 Special Local Regulation; Tred Avon River, Oxford, MD

(a) *Location.* This special local regulation applies to the following regulated area:

(1) *Regulated area.* All waters of the Tred Avon River, from surface to bottom, encompassed by a line connecting the following points beginning at 38°41'02.42" N 76°10'25.71" W, thence to 38°40'46.40" N 76°10'25.83" W, thence to 38°40'46.45" N 76°10'38.03" W, thence to 38°41'03.19" N 76°10'37.60" W and back to the beginning point. The race area and buffer zone are within the regulated area.

(2) *Race area.* This area is bounded by a line commencing at position 38°41'01.56" N 76°10'27.99" W, thence to 38°40'47.72" N 76°10'27.83" W, thence to 38°40'47.62" N 76°10'35.84" W, thence to 38°41'01.53" N 76°10'36.00" W, and back to the beginning point.

(3) *Buffer zone.* The buffer zone surrounds the entire race area and is bounded by a line commencing at position 38°41'02.42" N 76°10'25.71" W, thence to 38°40'46.40" N 76°10'25.83" W, thence to 38°40'46.45" N 76°10'38.03" W, thence to 38°41'03.19" N 76°10'37.60" W and back to the beginning point.

(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 regulated area. *Participant* means all persons and vessels registered with the event sponsor as a participant in the race.

(c) *Regulations.* (1) All non-participants are prohibited from entering, transiting through, anchoring in, or remaining within the regulated area described in paragraph (a) of this section unless authorized by the COTP or their 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 regulated area must comply with all lawful orders or directions given to them by the COTP or the COTP's designated representative.

(d) *Enforcement periods.* This section will be enforced from 12:30 p.m. through 3 p.m. on July 18, 2026. Alternatively, and in the event of inclement weather, enforcement will

occur from 12:30 p.m. through 3 p.m. on July 19, 2026.

Dated: June 26, 2026.

Patrick C. Burkett,

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

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

[Docket No. USCG–2026–0885]

Safety Zones; Annual Events Requiring Safety Zones in the Captain of the Port Lake Michigan Zone

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notification of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce the safety zone for Super Boat Grand Prix from August 1 through August 2, 2026, to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during this event. Our regulation for marine events within the Great Lakes District Coast Guard identifies the regulated area for this event in Michigan City, IN. During the enforcement period listed below, entry into, transiting, or anchoring within the safety zone is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port Lake Michigan or a designated representative.

DATES: The regulation in Item 7 to Table 2 in 33 CFR 165.929 will be enforced from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. each day from August 1, 2026 through August 2, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this notification of enforcement, call or email Lieutenant Commander Jessica Anderson, Sector Lake Michigan Waterways Management Division, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 414–747–7182, email: *D09-SMB-SECLAKEMICHIGAN-WWM@uscg.mil*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce the safety zone in Michigan City, IN in 33 CFR 165.929 listed in Item 7 to Table 2 for the Super Boat Grand Prix, also referred to as the RWO Great Lakes Grand Prix, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on August 1 and 2, 2026. This action is being taken to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during this 2-day event. This safety zone consists of all water of Lake Michigan bounded by a rectangle drawn from 41°43.655' N, 086°54.550' W; then northeast to 41°44.808' N, 086°51.293'

W; then northwest to 41°45.195' N, 086°51.757' W; then southwest to 41°44.063' N, 086°54.873' W; then southeast returning to the point of origin.

All vessels must obtain permission from the Captain of the Port (COTP) Lake Michigan or designated on-scene representative to enter, move within, or exit this safety zone during the enforcement times listed in this notice of enforcement. Vessels and persons granted permission to enter the safety zone must obey all lawful orders or directions of the COTP Lake Michigan or designated representative. Upon being hailed by the U.S. Coast Guard by siren, radio, flashing light or other means, the operator of a vessel must proceed as directed.

In addition to this notification of enforcement in the **Federal Register**, the Coast Guard plans to provide notification of this enforcement period via the Local Notice to Mariners and marine information broadcasts. The COTP Lake Michigan may be reached by contacting the Coast Guard Sector Lake Michigan Command Center at (414) 747–7182. An on-scene designated representative may be reached via VHF–FM Channel 16.

Rhianna N. Macon,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port Sector Lake Michigan.

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

[Docket No. USCG–2026–0753]

Safety Zones; Fireworks Displays in the USCG East District, Ocean City, NJ

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notification of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce a safety zone for the Ocean City “Night in Venice” Fireworks Display to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during this event. Our regulation for marine events within the USCG East District identifies the regulated area for this event in Ocean City, NJ. During the enforcement periods, the operator of any vessel in the regulated area must comply with directions from the Patrol Commander or any Official Patrol displaying a Coast Guard ensign.