

(b) *Enforcement period.* This rule will be enforced from 08:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on June 22, 2019.

(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 Captain of the Port (COTP) Sector Long Island Sound (LIS), 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. In addition, members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary may be present to inform vessel operators of this regulation.

“Official patrol vessels” may consist of any Coast Guard, Coast Guard Auxiliary, state, or local law enforcement vessels assigned or approved by the COTP.

(d) *Special local regulations.* (1) In accordance with the general regulations found in section 33 CFR 100.100, Vessels may not transit the “No Entry Area” without the approval of the COTP or a designated representative.

(2) Vessel operators desiring to enter or operate within the “No Entry Area” shall contact the COTP or the designated representative at 203–468–4401 (Sector LIS command center) or via VHF channel 16.

(3) Any vessel given permission to deviate from these regulations and transit the “No Entry Area” must comply with all directions given to them by the COTP or a designated representative and must operate at a no wake speed, or 6 knots, whichever is slower.

(4) Vessels may only transit the “Slow/No Wake area” at a no wake speed or 6 knots, whichever is slower.

(5) 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.

■ 3. Add § 100.T01–0245 to read as follows:

§ 100.T01–0245 Special Local Regulation; Mystic Sharkfest Swim, Mystic River, Mystic, CT.

(a) *Location.* The following areas are included with this special local regulation:

All navigable waters of Mystic River off Mystic, CT contained within the following area; beginning at a point on land in position at 41°21′41″ N, 071°58′01″ W; then south-west across Mystic River to a point on land in position at 41°21′36″ N, 071°58′05″ W near Pearl Street then south-east along the shoreline to a point on land in position at 41°21′31″ N, 071°58′02″ W

near Park Place; then south-west along the shoreline to a point on land in position at 41°21′27″ N, 071°58′07″ W near Gravel Street; then south along the shoreline to a point on land in position 41°21′10″ N, 071°58′14″ W; then east across Mystic River to a point on land in position 41°21′09″ N, 071°58′11″ W; then north along the shoreline to a point on land in position 41°21′21″ N, 071°58′02″ W, then east along the shoreline to a point on land in position 41°21′25″ N, 071°57′53″ W near Holmes Street, then north along the shoreline to a point on land in position 41°21′38″ N, 071°57′53″ W near the Mystic Seaport Museum and then northwest along the shoreline back to point of origin (NAD 83).

(a) *Enforcement period.* This section will be enforced from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on July 14, 2019.

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 Captain of the Port (COTP) Sector Long Island Sound (LIS), 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. In addition, members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary may be present to inform vessel operators of this regulation.

“Official patrol vessels” may consist of any Coast Guard, Coast Guard Auxiliary, state, or local law enforcement vessels assigned or approved by the COTP.

(d) *Special local regulations.* (1) In accordance with the general regulations found in section 33 CFR 100.35, all non-event vessels transiting through the regulated area during the enforcement period shall travel at no wake speed or 6 knots, whichever is slower.

Recreational vessels transiting in the regulated area shall not block or impede the transit of event participants, event safety vessels, or official patrol vessels and shall follow the directions given by event safety craft during the event. Commercial vessels will have right-of-way over event participants and event safety craft.

(2) All persons transiting through the regulated area shall maintain a minimum distance of 100 feet from the swimmers in the regulated area.

(3) Vessel operators desiring to deviate from these regulations should contact the COTP or a designated representative at (203) 468–4401 (Sector Long Island Sound command center) or VHF channel 16 to obtain permission to do so.

(4) 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 5, 2019.

K.B. Reed,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[Docket No. USCG–2019–0366]

RIN 1625–AA09

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Emergency Bridge Replacement, Chicago River, Chicago, IL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is temporarily modifying the operating schedule that governs the Chicago Avenue Bridge, mile 2.40, over the North Branch of the Chicago River. This action is necessary because The City of Chicago applied for and was awarded an emergency bridge replacement permit to temporarily replace the Chicago Avenue double leaf bascule bridge with a temporary fixed structure.

DATES: June 25, 2019 through 11:59 p.m. on November 13, 2023.

ADDRESSES: To view documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Type USCG–2019–0366 in the “SEARCH” box and click “SEARCH.” Click on Open Docket Folder on the line associated with this rulemaking.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this rule, call or email Mr. Lee D. Soule, Bridge Management Specialist, Ninth Coast Guard District; telephone 216–902–6085, email Lee.D.Soule@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Table of Abbreviations

CFR Code of Federal Regulations
 DHS Department of Homeland Security
 FHWA Federal Highway Administration
 FR Federal Register
 IGLD85 International Great Lakes Datum of 1985
 LWD Low Water Datum based on IGLD85
 NEPA National Environmental Policy Act
 NPRM Notice of proposed rulemaking
 SNPRM Supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking

Pub. L. Public Law
§ Section
U.S.C. United States Code

II. Background Information and Regulatory History

The Coast Guard is issuing this temporary final rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment pursuant to authority under section 4(a) of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) (5 U.S.C. 553(b)). This provision authorizes an agency to issue a rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment when the agency for good cause finds that those procedures are “impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest.” Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) with respect to this rule because on July 16, 2018, we published PUBLIC NOTICE 09–02–18 and mailed out an availability of public notice addressed to 783 adjacent address and interested parties as part of the bridge permit public notice and comment process. The comment process was open until October 1, 2018. We did not receive any comments on this rule.

We are issuing this rule and under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for making it effective in less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. PUBLIC NOTICE 09–02–18 was made available for public comment and no comments were received and the City of Chicago has already installed the temporary emergency bridge.

III. Legal Authority and Need for Rule

The Coast Guard is issuing this rule under authority 33 U.S.C. 499.

The Chicago Avenue Bridge, mile 2.40, over the North Branch of the Chicago River, provides a horizontal clearance of 148 feet and a vertical clearance of 18 feet above LWD. The original bridge when opened provided an unlimited clearance in the open position and the same clearances in the closed position available with the temporary fixed bridge. The City of Chicago applied for and was awarded an emergency bridge replacement permit number 3–18–9 to temporarily replace the Chicago Avenue double leaf bascule bridge with a temporary fixed structure. In accordance with condition 8 of the permit the City of Chicago must replace the fixed structure with a permanent movable structure no later than November 14, 2023.

The North Branch of the Chicago River is used by large commercial tug and barge traffic, passenger vessels, powered and unpowered recreational

vessels. Currently all regular users of the waterway can pass under the bridge without an opening.

IV. Discussion of the Rule

This rule is to temporally relieve the City of Chicago from the operational requirements of opening the Chicago Avenue Bridge until the permanent bridge can be built.

V. 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, and we discuss First Amendment rights of protesters.

A. Regulatory Planning and Review

Executive Orders 12866 and 13563 direct agencies to assess the costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits. This rule has not been designated a “significant regulatory action,” under Executive Order 12866. Accordingly, it has not been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

This regulatory action determination is based on the ability that vessels can still transit the bridge without openings and that the public was engaged in this decision through the Coast Guard Bridge Permit process and public notice procedures.

B. Impact on Small Entities

The Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (RFA), 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. The Coast Guard certifies under 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

While some owners or operators of vessels intending to transit the bridge may be small entities, for the reasons stated in section IV.A above this proposed rule would not have a significant economic impact on any vessel owner or operator.

Through the public notice sent out by mail, posted in the local post office, and on the internet, the Coast Guard did not receive any comments that this temporary regulation would have a significant impact.

While some owners or operators of vessels intending to transit the bridge may be small entities, for the reasons stated in section V.A above, this rule will not have a significant economic impact on any vessel owner or operator.

Under section 213(a) of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104–121), we want to assist small entities in understanding this rule. If the rule would affect your small business, organization, or governmental jurisdiction and you have questions concerning its provisions or options for compliance, please contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, above.

Small businesses may send comments on the actions of Federal employees who enforce, or otherwise determine compliance with, Federal regulations to the Small Business and Agriculture Regulatory Enforcement Ombudsman and the Regional Small Business Regulatory Fairness Boards. The Ombudsman evaluates these actions annually and rates each agency’s responsiveness to small business. If you wish to comment on actions by employees of the Coast Guard, call 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.

C. Collection of Information

This rule calls for no new collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520).

D. Federalism and Indian Tribal Government

A rule has implications for federalism under Executive Order 13132, Federalism, if it has a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. We have analyzed this rule under that Order and have determined that it is consistent with the fundamental federalism principles and preemption requirements described in Executive Order 13132.

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.

E. Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1531–1538) requires Federal agencies to assess the effects of their discretionary regulatory actions. In particular, the Act addresses actions that may result in the expenditure by a State, local, or tribal government, in the aggregate, or by the private sector of \$100,000,000 (adjusted for inflation) or more in any one year. Though this rule will not result in such an expenditure, we do discuss the effects of this rule elsewhere in this preamble.

F. Environment

We have analyzed this rule under Department of Homeland Security Management Directive 023–01 and Commandant Instruction M16475.ID, which guides the Coast Guard in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA)(42 U.S.C. 4321–4370f), and have made a determination that this action is one of a category of actions which do not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment. This rule simply promulgates the operating regulations or procedures for drawbridges. This action is categorically excluded from further review, under figure 2–1, paragraph (32)(e), of the Instruction. A Record of Environmental Consideration and a Memorandum for the Record are not required for this rule. Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) had been identified as the lead federal agency for purposes of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). FHWA prepared a NEPA document for the project as proposed for the final bridge permit. FHWA classified the project as a Categorical Exclusion.

G. Protest Activities

The Coast Guard respects the First Amendment rights of protesters. Protesters are asked to contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section to coordinate protest activities so that your message can be received without jeopardizing the safety or security of people, places or vessels.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 117

Bridges.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard amends 33 CFR part 117 as follows:

PART 117—DRAWBRIDGE OPERATION REGULATIONS

■ 1. The authority citation for part 117 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 499; 33 CFR 1.05–1; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1.

■ 2. In § 117.391 effective from date of publication, through 11:59 p.m. on November 13, 2023 *temporarily add paragraph (d) to read as follows:*

§ 117.391 Chicago River

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(d) The draw of the Chicago Avenue Bridge, mile 2.40, over the North Branch of the Chicago River, need not open for the passage of vessels.

Dated: June 13, 2019.

D.L. Cottrell,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, Ninth Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket Number USCG–2019–0212]

RIN 1625–AA00

Safety Zone; Tall Ships Challenge Great Lakes 2019, Buffalo, NY, Cleveland, OH, Bay City, MI, Green Bay, WI, Sturgeon Bay, WI, Kenosha, WI and Erie, PA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is creating safety zones around each tall ship visiting the Great Lakes during the Tall Ships Challenge 2019 race series. These safety zones will provide for the regulation of vessel traffic in the vicinity of each tall ship in the navigable waters of the United States. The Coast Guard is taking this action to safeguard participants and spectators from the hazards associated with the limited maneuverability of these tall ships and to ensure public safety during tall ships events.

DATES: This rule is effective from 12:01 a.m. on June 28, 2019, through 12:01 a.m. on September 2, 2019.

ADDRESSES: To view documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to <https://www.regulations.gov>, type USCG–2019–0212 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 Jason Radcliffe, 9th District Waterways Management, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 216–902–6060, email jason.a.radcliffe2@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

During the Tall Ships Challenge Great Lakes 2019, tall ships will be participating in maritime parades, training cruises, races, and mooring in the harbors of Buffalo, NY, Cleveland, OH, Bay City, MI, Green Bay, WI, Sturgeon Bay, WI, Kenosha, WI and Erie, PA. Tall ships are large, traditionally-rigged sailing vessels. The event will consist of festivals at each port of call, sail training cruises, tall ship parades, and races between the ports. More information regarding the Tall Ships Challenge 2019 and the participating vessels can be found at: <https://tallshipsnetwork.com/series/tall-ships-challenge-great-lakes-2019/>.

In response, on 13 May 2019, the Coast Guard published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) titled Tall Ships Challenge Great Lakes 2019 [84 FR 20825]. There we stated why we issued the NPRM, and invited comments on our proposed regulatory action. During the comment period that ended 12 June 2019, 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**. Delaying the effective date of this rule would be impracticable because immediate action is necessary to respond to the safety hazards associated with the imminent arrival of the Tall Ships fleet.

At 12:01 a.m. June 28, 2019, a safety zone will be established around each tall ship participating in this event. The safety zone around each ship will remain in effect as the tall ships travel throughout the Great Lakes. The safety zones will terminate at 12:01 a.m. on September 2, 2019.

These safety zones are necessary to protect the tall ships from potential harm and to protect the public from the hazards associated with the limited maneuverability of tall sailing ships. When operating under sail, they require a substantial crew to manually turn the rudder and adjust the sails, therefore