

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY****Coast Guard****33 CFR Part 117****[CGD01-07-035]****Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Chelsea River, Chelsea and East Boston, MA****AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.**ACTION:** Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

**SUMMARY:** The Commander, First Coast Guard District, has issued a temporary deviation from the regulation governing the operation of the P.J. McArdle Bridge across the Chelsea River at mile 0.3, between Chelsea and East Boston, Massachusetts. Under this temporary deviation, the bridge may remain in the closed position from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., on June 16, 2007. Vessels that can pass under the draw without a bridge opening may do so at all times. This deviation is necessary to facilitate the annual Chelsea River Revel and 5K Road Race.

**DATES:** This deviation is effective on June 16, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Materials referred to in this document are available for inspection or copying at the First Coast Guard District, Bridge Branch Office, 408 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts, 02110, between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (617) 223-8364. The First Coast Guard District Bridge Branch Office maintains the public docket for this temporary deviation.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John McDonald, Project Officer, First Coast Guard District, at (617) 223-8364.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The P.J. McArdle Bridge, across the Chelsea River at mile 0.3, between Chelsea and East Boston, Massachusetts, has a vertical clearance in the closed position of 21 feet at mean high water and 30 feet at mean low water. The existing drawbridge operation regulations are listed at 33 CFR 117.593.

The owner of the bridge, the City of Boston, requested a temporary deviation to facilitate the annual Chelsea River Revel and 5K Road Race. The bridge will not be able to open while this scheduled event is underway.

Under this temporary deviation, the P.J. McArdle Bridge need not open for the passage of vessel traffic between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. on June 16, 2007. Vessels that can pass under the bridge

without a bridge opening may do so at all times.

This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: April 5, 2007.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY****Coast Guard****33 CFR Part 165****[CCGD05-07-035]****RIN 1625-AA00****Safety Zone: Satellite Launch, NASA Wallops Flight Facility, Wallops Island, VA****AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.**ACTION:** Temporary final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The U. S. Coast Guard is establishing a safety zone in support of a satellite rocket space launch originating from the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport (MARS) Pad 0B launch complex. This action is intended to restrict vessel traffic within 12-nautical miles of Wallops Island, VA as described herein. This safety zone is necessary to facilitate the launch process and protect mariners from the hazards associated with the satellite launch.

**DATES:** This rule is effective from 2 a.m. April 21, 2007 until 5 a.m. April 24, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket are part of docket CGD05-07-035 and are available for inspection or copying at the U. S. Coast Guard Sector Hampton Roads, Norfolk Federal Building, 200 Granby St., Suite 700, Norfolk, VA, 23510 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** LT Bill Clark, Waterways Management Division, U. S. Coast Guard Sector Hampton Roads, Virginia at (757) 668-5580.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Regulatory Information**

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) was not published for this regulation as good cause exists for not publishing a

NPRM and for making this regulation effective less than 30 days after **Federal Register** publication under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3). Any delay encountered in this regulation's effective date by publishing a NPRM would be contrary to public safety as immediate action is required to prevent vessel traffic from transiting through the navigable waters in the vicinity of the Wallops Island, Chincoteague Inlet, and those waters extending beyond the State of Maryland located within the boundaries of the safety zone.

**Background and Purpose**

On April 21, 2007, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) will be attempting to launch a rocket carrying a spacecraft from Wallops Island, VA. Spectators are expected to be observing from both land and sea.

Vessel traffic in the vicinity of this location will be temporarily restricted while the safety zone is in effect and as described herein. The safety zone will be in effect from 2 a.m. on April 21, 2007 until 5 a.m. on April 24, 2007. This safety zone will be enforced from 2 a.m. until 5 a.m. each day the safety zone is in effect. If the launch occurs as planned on one of those days during this period, then the safety zone will no longer be enforced on subsequent days following the launch as identified in this paragraph.

To protect mariners and spectators from the hazards associated with the launch, and to protect the launch vehicle and equipment a warning signal will be displayed in accordance with 33 CFR 334.130(b)(3).

**Discussion of Rule**

The U.S. Coast Guard is establishing a regulated area that consists of a safety zone encompassing all navigable waters from 37°-48'-30" N/075°-31'-58" W on Northam Narrows to 37°-51'-30" N/075°-28'-36" W on Cat Creek. This regulated area will follow the Virginia coastal and inland shoreline from the aforementioned position in Cat Creek out to a point on the northeast tip of Wallops Island at 37°-53'-03" N/075°-25'-05" W, thence to a point on the southwest tip of Assateague Island at 37°-52'-28" N/075°-24'-20" W, thence to a point on the southeast side of Assateague Island at 37°-51'-32" N/075°-22'-01" W, thence easterly to a point on the United States territorial seas boundary line at 37°-47'-30" N/075°-09'-55" W. The regulated area will continue in a southerly direction along the United States territorial seas boundary line to a point at 37°-40'-56" N/075°-21'-12" W, thence westerly to a