

environment. This rule is categorically excluded, under figure 2–1, paragraph (34)(g.) of the Instruction. This rule involves tug boat racing by various classes of tugboats in Budd Inlet, WA. An environmental analysis checklist and a categorical exclusion determination are available in the docket where indicated under **ADDRESSES**.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 100

Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, 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: 33 U.S.C. 1233.

■ 2. Add § 100.1309 to read as follows:

§ 100.1309 Special Local Regulation; Olympia Harbor Days Tug Boat Races, Budd Inlet, WA.

(a) *Regulated area.* The following area is specified as a race area: All waters of Budd Inlet, WA the width of the navigation channel south of a line connecting the following points: 47°05.530' N, 122°55.844' W and 47°05.528' N, 122°55.680' W until reaching the northernmost end of the navigation channel at a line connecting the following points: 47°05.108' N, 122°55.799' W and 47°05.131' N, 122°55.659' W then southeasterly until reaching the southernmost entrance of the navigation channel at a line connecting the following points: 47°03.946' N, 122°54.577' W, 47°04.004' N, 122°54.471' W.

(b) *Regulations.* In accordance with the general regulations in 33 CFR part 100, the regulated area shall be closed immediately prior to, during and immediately after the event to all persons and vessels not participating in the event and authorized by the event sponsor.

(c) *Authorization.* All persons or vessels who desire to enter the designated race area created in this section while it is enforced must obtain permission from the on-scene patrol craft on VHF Ch 13.

(d) *Notice of enforcement dates.* This Special Local Regulation will only be enforced during times announced by the Captain of the Port. The Captain of the Port will provide notice of the enforcement of this special local regulation by Notice of Enforcement in

the **Federal Register**. Additional information may be available through Broadcast Notice to Mariners and Local Notice to Mariners.

Dated: May 11, 2011.

G.T. Blore,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 100

[Docket No. USCG–2011–0392]

RIN 1625–AA08

Temporary Change of Dates for Recurring Marine Event in the Fifth Coast Guard District; Elizabeth River, Norfolk, VA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will temporarily change the enforcement period of special local regulations for recurring marine events in the Fifth Coast Guard District. This regulation apply to only one recurring marine event that conducts various river boat races and a parade during the “35th Annual Norfolk Harborfest Celebration.” Special local regulations are necessary to provide for the safety of life on navigable waters during the event. This action is intended to restrict vessel traffic in portions of the Southern Branch, Elizabeth River, VA during the event.

DATES: This rule is effective from June 10, 2011 until June 12, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket are part of docket USCG–2011–0392 and are available online by going to <http://www.regulations.gov>, inserting USCG–2011–0392 in the “Keyword” box, and then clicking “Search.” They are also available for inspection or copying at the Docket Management Facility (M–30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this temporary rule, call or e-mail MST1 Danica Jolly, Waterways Management Division, Sector Hampton Roads, Coast Guard;

telephone 757–668–5580, e-mail Danica.A.Jolly@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–366–9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulatory Information

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)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) with respect to this rule because delaying the effective date would be contrary to the public interest since immediate action is needed to ensure the public’s safety during the 35th Annual Norfolk Harborfest Celebration.

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 would be contrary to the public interest since immediate action is needed to ensure the public’s safety during 35th Annual Norfolk Harborfest Celebration.

Background and Purpose

Marine events are frequently held on the navigable waters within the boundary of the Fifth Coast Guard District. The on water activities that typically comprise marine events include sailing regattas, power boat races, swim races and holiday boat parades. For a description of the geographical area of each Coast Guard Sector—Captain of the Port Zone, please see 33 CFR 3.25.

This regulation temporarily changes the enforcement period of special local regulations for recurring marine events within the Fifth Coast Guard District. This regulation applies to one marine event found in 33 CFR 100.501, Line 37 of Table to § 100.501. The current enforcement period is June 1, 2, and 3.

On June 10, 11, and 12, 2011, Norfolk Festevents Ltd. will sponsor the “35th Annual Norfolk Harborfest Celebration” on the waters of the Southern Branch of the Elizabeth River near Norfolk, Virginia. The regulation at 33 CFR 100.501 is effective annually for this marine event. The event will consist of several boat races and parades on the

Southern Branch of the Elizabeth River in the vicinity of Town Point Beach, Norfolk, Virginia. A fleet of spectator vessels is expected to gather near the event site to view the competitions. To provide for the safety of participants, spectators, support and transiting vessels, the Coast Guard will temporarily restrict vessel traffic in the event area during the river boat races and parade. The regulation at 33 CFR 100.501 will be enforced for the duration of the event. Under provisions of 33 CFR 100.501, on June 10, 11, and 12, 2011, vessels may not enter the regulated area unless they receive permission from the Coast Guard Patrol Commander.

Discussion of Rule

The Coast Guard is temporarily changing the dates for an established special local regulation for marine events on specified waters of the Southern Branch, Elizabeth River, near Norfolk, Virginia. The regulated area will be established in the interest of public safety during the 35th Annual Norfolk Harborfest Celebration, and will be enforced on June 10, 11, and 12, 2011. Access to the regulated area will be restricted during the specified dates or until the river boat races and parades are complete, whichever is sooner. Except for participants and vessels authorized by the Captain of the Port or his Representative, no person or vessel may enter or remain in the regulated area.

Regulatory Analyses

We developed this rule after considering numerous statutes and executive orders related to rulemaking. Below we summarize our analyses based on 13 of these statutes or executive orders.

Regulatory Planning and Review

This rule is not a significant regulatory action under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, as supplemented by Executive Order 13563, Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review, and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of that Executive Order 12866 or under section 1 of Executive Order 13563. The Office of Management and Budget has not reviewed it under that those Orders. Although this rule prevents traffic from transiting a portion of certain waterways during specified events, the effect of this regulation will not be significant due to the limited duration that the regulated area will be in effect and the extensive advance notifications that will be made to the

maritime community via marine information broadcasts, local radio stations and area newspapers so mariners can adjust their plans accordingly. Additionally, this rulemaking does not change the permanent regulated areas that have been published in 33 CFR 100.501, Table to § 100.501. In some cases vessel traffic may be able to transit the regulated area when the Coast Guard Patrol Commander deems it is safe to do so.

Small Entities

Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601–612), we have considered whether this rule would have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. 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.

This rule would affect the following entities, some of which might be small entities: The owners or operators of vessels intending to transit or anchor in the areas where marine events are being held. This regulation will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities because it will be enforced only during marine events that have been permitted by the Coast Guard Captain of the Port. The Captain of the Port will ensure that small entities are able to operate in the areas where events are occurring when it is safe to do so. In some cases, vessels will be able to safely transit around the regulated area at various times, and, with the permission of the Patrol Commander, vessels may transit through the regulated area. Before the enforcement period, the Coast Guard will issue maritime advisories so mariners can adjust their plans accordingly.

Assistance for Small Entities

Under section 213(a) of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104–121), we offer to assist small entities in understanding the rule so that they can better evaluate its effects on them and participate in the rulemaking process.

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.

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).

Federalism

A rule has implications for federalism under Executive Order 13132, Federalism, if it has a substantial direct effect on State or local governments and would either preempt State law or impose a substantial direct cost of compliance on them. We have analyzed this rule under that Order and have determined that it does not have implications for federalism.

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 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.

Taking of Private Property

This rule will not affect a taking of private property or otherwise have taking implications under Executive Order 12630, Governmental Actions and Interference with Constitutionally Protected Property Rights.

Civil Justice Reform

This rule meets applicable standards in sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform, to minimize litigation, eliminate ambiguity, and reduce burden.

Protection of Children

We have analyzed this rule under Executive Order 13045, Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks. This rule is not an economically significant rule and does not create an environmental risk to

health or risk to safety that may disproportionately affect children.

Indian Tribal Governments

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.

Energy Effects

We have analyzed this rule under Executive Order 13211, Actions Concerning Regulations That Significantly Affect Energy Supply, Distribution, or Use. We have determined that it is not a “significant energy action” under that order because it is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866 and is not likely to have a significant adverse effect on the supply, distribution, or use of energy. The Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs has not designated it as a significant energy action. Therefore, it does not require a Statement of Energy Effects under Executive Order 13211.

Technical Standards

The National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act (NTTAA) (15 U.S.C. 272 note) directs agencies to use voluntary consensus standards in their

regulatory activities unless the agency provides Congress, through the Office of Management and Budget, with an explanation of why using these standards would be inconsistent with applicable law or otherwise impractical. Voluntary consensus standards are technical standards (e.g., specifications of materials, performance, design, or operation; test methods; sampling procedures; and related management systems practices) that are developed or adopted by voluntary consensus standards bodies.

This rule does not use technical standards. Therefore, we did not consider the use of voluntary consensus standards.

Environment

We have analyzed this rule under Department of Homeland Security Management Directive 023–01 and Commandant Instruction M16475.ID, which guide the Coast Guard in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321–4370f), and have concluded 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 is categorically excluded, under figure 2–1, paragraph (34)(h), of the Instruction. This rule involves implementation of regulations within 33 CFR Part 100 that apply to organized marine events on the navigable waters of the United States that may have potential for negative

impact on the safety or other interest of waterway users and shore side activities in the event area. The category of water activities includes but is not limited to sail boat regattas, boat parades, power boat racing, swimming events, crew racing, and sail board racing. An environmental analysis checklist and a categorical exclusion determination will be available in the docket where indicated under **ADDRESSES**.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 100

Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, 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: 33 U.S.C. 1233.

■ 2. In § 100.501, suspend line No. 37 in the Table to § 100.501.

■ 3. In § 100.501, add line No. 58 in Table to § 100.501; to read as follows:

§ 100.501–35T05–0392 Special Local Regulations; Marine Events in the Fifth Coast Guard District.

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Table to § 100.501.—All coordinates listed in the Table to § 100.501 reference Datum NAD 1983.

COAST GUARD SECTOR HAMPTON ROADS—COTP ZONE

Number	Date	Event	Sponsor	Location
58	June 10–June 12, 2011	Norfolk Harborfest	Norfolk Festevents Ltd	The waters of the Elizabeth River and its branches from shore to shore, bounded to the northwest by a line drawn across the Port Norfolk Reach section of the Elizabeth River between the northern corner of the landing at Hospital Point, Portsmouth, Virginia, latitude 36°50'51.0" N, longitude 076°18'09.0" W and the north corner of the City of Norfolk Mooring Pier at the foot of Brooks Avenue located at latitude 36°51'00.0" N, longitude 076°17'52.0" W; bounded on the southwest by a line drawn from the southern corner of the landing at Hospital Point, Portsmouth, Virginia, at latitude 36°50'50.0" N, longitude 076°18'10.0" W, to the northern end of the eastern most pier at the Tidewater Yacht Agency Marina, located at latitude 36°50'29.0" N, longitude 076°17'52.0" W; bounded to the south by a line drawn across the Lower Reach of the Southern Branch of the Elizabeth River, between the Portsmouth Lightship Museum located at the foot of London Boulevard, in Portsmouth, Virginia, at latitude 36°50'10.0" N, longitude 076°17'47.0" W, and the northwest corner of the Norfolk Shipbuilding & Drydock, Berkley Plant, Pier No. 1, located at latitude 36°50'08.0" N, longitude 076°17'39.0" W; and to the southeast by the Berkley Bridge which crosses the Eastern Branch of the Elizabeth River between Berkley at latitude 36°50'21.5" N, longitude 076°17'14.5" W, and Norfolk at latitude 36°50'35.0" N, longitude 076°17'10.0" W.

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Dated: May 12, 2011.

Mark S. Ogle,*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port Hampton Roads.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**Coast Guard****33 CFR Part 117**

[Docket No. USCG-2010-1139]

RIN 1625-AA09

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway (AIWW), at Wrightsville Beach, NC; Cape Fear and Northeast Cape Fear River, at Wilmington, NC**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.**ACTION:** Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is changing the regulations that govern the operations of three North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) bridges: The S.R. 74 Bridge, across the AIWW, mile 283.1 at Wrightsville Beach, NC; the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge across the Cape Fear River, mile 26.8; and the Isabel S. Holmes Bridge across the Northeast Cape Fear River, mile 1.0, both at Wilmington, NC. This change will alter the dates these bridges are allowed to remain in the closed position to accommodate the annual Beach2Battleship Iron and ½ Iron Triathlon and the Battleship North Carolina Half Marathon and 5K.

DATES: This rule is effective June 27, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Comments and related materials received from the public, as well as documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, are part of docket USCG-2010-1139 and are available online by going to <http://www.regulations.gov>, inserting USCG-2010-1139 in the "Keyword" box, and then clicking "Search." This material is also available for inspection or copying at the Docket Management Facility (M-30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this proposed rule, call or e-mail Ms. Lindsey Middleton, Fifth District Bridge

Program, Coast Guard; telephone 757-398-6629, e-mail Lindsey.R.Middleton@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202-366-9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Regulatory Information**

On February 15, 2011, we published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) entitled Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway (AIWW), at Wrightsville Beach, NC; Cape Fear and Northeast Cape Fear River, at Wilmington, NC in the **Federal Register** (76 FR 8663). We received no comments on the proposed rule. No public meeting was requested, and none was held.

Basis and Purpose

The Beach2Battleship Iron and ½ Iron distance Triathlon competition is an annual event that is held in the Wrightsville Beach and Wilmington, NC area in late October or early November. The swimming portion of this triathlon is tide dependent and so it is difficult to determine the exact date to best hold the event.

The Battleship North Carolina Half Marathon & 5K is another annual event that occurs in the Wrightsville Beach and Wilmington, NC area on the second Sunday of every November. Because of the uncertainty of the tides and consequently the exact date for the Beach2Battleship Iron and ½ Iron distance Triathlon competition, the Battleship Race group has agreed to schedule their race on the opposing weekend of the Iron Man competition.

As with the Iron Man race, the exact date of the closure will be published locally in the Local Notice to Mariners and the Broadcast Notice to Mariners. The local community has become accustomed to these annual events and the bridge closures that are necessary for them.

The S.R. 74 Bridge is a double leaf bascule drawbridge with a vertical clearance of 20 feet at mean high water in the closed position. The current operating schedule for the bridge is set out in 33 CFR 117.821(a)(4). This rule change will not affect the current operation of the bridge but add an additional closure period.

The regulatory change allows the S.R. 74 (Wrightsville Beach) Bridge to remain closed to navigation between 7 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. and to remain closed to navigation between 12 p.m. and 11:59 p.m. on the last Saturday in October or the first or second Saturday in November depending on the tides

and the date the event will be held. The exact date of the closure will be published locally in the Local Notice to Mariners and Broadcast Notice to Mariners.

The Cape Fear Memorial Bridge is a vertical lift drawbridge with a vertical clearance of 65 feet at mean high water in the closed position and the Isabel S. Holmes Bridge is a double leaf bascule drawbridge with a vertical clearance of 40 feet at mean high water in the closed position. The current operating schedules for these bridges are set out in 33 CFR 117.823 and 33 CFR 117.829(a)(4), respectively. This regulatory change modifies the existing annual November closure from just the second Sunday in November to the first or second Sunday in November for the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge and the Isabel S. Holmes Bridge. The closure time of 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. for the event for both bridges remains unaffected in this rule. The Isabel S. Holmes Bridge will have an additional regulatory change modification to include a closure from 12 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. on the last Saturday of October or the first or second Saturday of November of every year.

The waterway traffic consists mostly of recreational vessels with some barges and tugs during the daytime. There are no alternative routes available to vessels transiting these waterways. Vessels that can transit under the bridges without an opening may do so at any time. The bridges will be able to open for emergencies.

Discussion of Comments and Changes

No comments were received on the proposed rule and no changes were made to the proposed rule.

Regulatory Analyses

We developed this rule after considering numerous statutes and executive orders related to rulemaking. Below we summarize our analyses based on 13 of these statutes or executive orders.

Regulatory Planning and Review

This rule is not a significant regulatory action under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of that Order. The Office of Management and Budget has not reviewed it under that Order.

The changes are expected to have minimal impact on mariners due to the short duration that the drawbridges will be maintained in the closed position. Both events have been observed in past