In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(e), the drawbridge must return to its regular operating schedules immediately at the end of the effective period of this temporary deviation. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.


Steven M. Fischer,
Bridge Administrator, Thirteenth Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165
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RIN 1625–AA00

Safety Zone; Delaware River; Penn’s Landing; Philadelphia, PA; Fireworks Display

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone on a portion of the Delaware River in Philadelphia, PA. This action is necessary to protect the surrounding public and vessels on these navigable waters adjacent to Penn’s Landing, Philadelphia, PA, during a fireworks display on October 19, 2018. This regulation prohibits persons and vessels from entering, transiting, or remaining within the safety zone unless authorized by the Captain of the Port Delaware Bay or a designated representative.

DATES: This rule is effective from 11 p.m. through 11:59 p.m. on October 19, 2018.

ADDRESSES: To view documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to http://www.regulations.gov, type USCG–2018–0711 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 about this rule, call or email Petty Officer Thomas Welker, U.S. Coast Guard, Sector Delaware Bay, Waterways Management Division; telephone 215–271–4814, email Thomas.j.welker@uscg.mil.

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II. Background, Purpose, and Legal Basis

On June 18, 2018, a wedding party notified the Coast Guard that it will be conducting a fireworks display from 11:15 p.m. to 11:45 p.m. on October 19, 2018. The fireworks are to be launched from a barge in the Delaware River adjacent to Penn’s Landing in Philadelphia, PA. In response, on September 28, 2018, the Coast Guard published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) titled Safety Zone; Delaware River; Penn’s Landing; Philadelphia, PA; Fireworks Display; 83 FR 49026. There we stated why we issued the NPRM, and invited comments on our proposed regulatory action related to this fireworks display. During the comment period that ended October 5, 2018, we received one comment.

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 and contrary to the public interest because immediate action is needed to mitigate the potential safety hazards associated with a fireworks display in this location.

III. Legal Authority and Need for Rule

The Coast Guard is issuing this rule under authority in 33 U.S.C. 1231. The Captain of the Port Delaware Bay (COTP) has determined that potential hazards associated with the fireworks display on October 19, 2018, will be a safety concern for anyone within 500 feet of a fireworks barge in the Delaware River adjacent to Penn’s Landing in Philadelphia, PA. The barge will be anchored in approximate position 39°57′05.26″ N Latitude 075°08′10.85″ W Longitude. Persons or vessels will not be permitted to enter, transit through, or remain within the safety zone without obtaining permission from the COTP or a designated representative.

If authorization to enter, transit through, or remain within the safety zone is granted by the COTP or a designated representative, all persons and vessels receiving such authorization must comply with the instructions of the COTP or a designated representative. The Coast Guard will provide public notice of the safety zone by Broadcast Notice to Mariners and on-scene actual notice.

IV. Discussion of Comments, Changes, and the Rule

As noted above, we received one comment on our NPRM published September 28, 2018. The comment we received was unrelated to the proposed regulation. There is one change in the regulatory text of this rule from the proposed rule in the NPRM. The enforcement period was changed from 11:15 p.m. through 11:45 p.m. to 11 p.m. through 11:59 p.m. on the same date. We made this change to account for movement of the barge into and out of the anchor location.

This rule establishes a safety zone from 11 p.m. through 11:59 p.m. on October 19, 2018, for the navigable waters in the vicinity of Penn’s Landing, Philadelphia, PA, during a fireworks display from a barge. The event is scheduled to take place at approximately 11:15 p.m. on October 19, 2018. The safety zone will extend 500 feet around the barge, which will be anchored at approximate position 39°57′05.26″ N Latitude 075°08′10.85″ W Longitude. Persons or vessels will not be permitted to enter, transit through, or remain within the safety zone without obtaining permission from the COTP or a designated representative.

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 protestors.

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. Executive Order 13771 directs agencies to control regulatory costs through a budgeting process. This rule has not been designated a “significant regulatory action,” under Executive Order 12866. Accordingly, this rule has not been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), and pursuant to OMB guidance it is exempt from the requirements of Executive Order 13771.

This regulatory action determination is based on the size, location, duration, and time-of-day of the safety zone. Vessel traffic would be able to safely transit around this safety zone which will impact a small designated area of the Delaware River for one hour during the evening when vessel traffic is normally low. Moreover, the Coast Guard would issue a Broadcast Notice to
Mariners via VHF–FM marine channel 16 about the zone, and the rule would allow vessels to seek permission to enter the zone.

B. 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.

The Coast Guard received no comments from the Small Business Administration on this rulemaking. The Coast Guard certifies under 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this rule would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

While some owners or operators of vessels intending to transit the safety zone 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 section.
(2) To request permission to enter the safety zone, contact the COTP or the COTP’s representative on marine band radio VHF–FM channel 16 (156.8 MHz) or 215–271–4807.

(3) No vessel may take on bunkers or conduct lightering operations within the safety zone during the enforcement period.

(4) This section applies to all vessels except those engaged in law enforcement, aids to navigation servicing, and emergency response operations.

(d) Enforcement. The U.S. Coast Guard may be assisted in the patrol and enforcement of the safety zone by federal, state, and local agencies.

(e) Enforcement period. This zone will be enforced from 11 p.m. through 11:59 p.m. on October 19, 2018.


S.E. Anderson,
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port Delaware Bay.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165
[Docket No. USCG–2018–0847]
RIN 1625–AA00

Safety Zone; Hornblower Fireworks Display, San Francisco Bay, San Francisco, CA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone in the navigable waters of San Francisco Bay in support of the Hornblower Fireworks Display on October 20, 2018. This safety zone is necessary to protect personnel, vessels, and the marine environment from the dangers associated with pyrotechnics. Unauthorized persons or vessels are prohibited from entering into, transiting through, or remaining in the safety zone without permission of the Captain of the Port or their designated representative.

DATES: This rule is effective from 11 a.m. to 10:10 p.m. on October 20, 2018.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Sierra Nevada, CA

No vessel may take on bunkers or conduct lightering operations within the safety zone during the enforcement period.

This rule establishes a temporary safety zone during the loading, staging, and transit of the fireworks barge, until after completion of the fireworks display. During the loading and staging of the pyrotechnics onto the fireworks barge, scheduled to take place from 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. on October 20, 2018, at Pier 50 in San Francisco, CA, the safety zone will encompass the navigable waters around and under the fireworks barge within a radius of 100 feet.

The fireworks barge will remain at Pier 50 until the start of its transit to the display location. Towing of the barge from Pier 50 to the display location is scheduled to take place from 8:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on October 20, 2018, where it will remain until the conclusion of the fireworks display.

At 9 p.m. on October 20, 2018, 30 minutes prior to the commencement of the 10 minute fireworks display, the safety zone will increase in size and encompass the navigable waters around and under the fireworks barge within a radius of 420 feet in approximate position 37°48′15″ N, 122°23′27″ W (NAD 83) for the Hornblower Fireworks Display. The safety zone will remain until 10:10 p.m. on October 20, 2018.

The effect of the temporary safety zone is to restrict navigation in the vicinity of the fireworks loading, staging, transit, and firing site. Except for persons or vessels authorized by the COTP or the COTP’s designated representative, no person or vessel may enter or remain in the restricted areas. These regulations are needed to keep spectators and vessels away from the immediate vicinity of the fireworks firing sites to ensure the safety of participants, spectators, and transiting vessels.

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. Executive Order 13771 directs agencies to control regulatory costs through a budgeting process. This rule has not been designated a “significant