

(ii) Loosen the longitudinal cyclic friction knob (number 12 or 13) of the torque tube assembly as depicted in Figure 1 to paragraph (g)(1) of this AD.

(iii) While moving the cyclic control forward and aft to allow the torque tube assembly to rotate through its full range of motion, inspect the torque tube assembly for binding and ratcheting.

(A) If there is any binding or ratcheting as a result of the action required by paragraph (g)(2)(iii) of this AD, before further flight, inspect each roller bearing (number 5) as depicted in Figure 1 to paragraph (g)(1) of this AD for damage. For the purposes of this inspection, damage may be indicated by corrosion, lack of lubrication (dry exterior surface), or material degradation.

(B) If any roller bearing (number 5) as depicted in Figure 1 to paragraph (g)(1) of this AD has any damage, before further flight, remove the roller bearing from service and install an airworthy roller bearing.

(iv) If there is no binding or ratcheting as a result of the action required by paragraph (g)(2)(iii) of this AD or after accomplishing the action required by paragraph (g)(2)(iii)(B) of this AD, as applicable, tighten the cyclic friction knob (number 12 or 13) as depicted in Figure 1 to paragraph (g)(1) of this AD.

(v) Connect the one-way lock (number 6) as depicted in Figure 1 to paragraph (g)(1) of this AD by accomplishing the actions required by paragraphs (g)(2)(v)(A) and (B).

(A) Install the slotted bushing (number 11), washers (number 10), bolt (number 9), nut (number 8), and new (zero total hours TIS) cotter pin (number 7) as depicted in Figure 1 to paragraph (g)(1) of this AD.

(B) Ensure the edge of the slotted bushing (number 11) protrudes 0.010 to 0.080 inch (0.25 to 2.03 millimeters) above the surface of the cyclic torque tube after the nut is tightened.

(h) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(1) The Manager, West Certification Branch, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or responsible Flight Standards Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the manager of the West Certification Branch, send it to the attention of the person identified in paragraph (i) of this AD and email to: AMOC@faa.gov.

(2) Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the local flight standards district office/certificate holding district office.

(i) Additional Information

For more information about this AD, contact Eduardo Orozco-Duran, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, CA 90712; phone: (562) 627-5264; email: eduardo.orozco-duran@faa.gov.

(j) Material Incorporated by Reference

None.

Issued on September 24, 2026.

Steven W. Thompson,

Acting Deputy Director, Compliance & Airworthiness Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 100

[Docket No. USCG-2026-0219]

Special Local Regulation; Kailua Bay, Ironman World Championship, Kailua-Kona, HI

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notification of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce a special local regulation for the Ironman Ho'ala practice swim and Ironman World Championship Triathlon on October 4 and 10, 2026, to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during these events. Our regulation for marine events within the USCG Oceania District (formerly known as the Fourteenth Coast Guard District) identifies the regulated area for this event on certain waters of Kailua Bay, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii. 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.

DATES: The regulations in 33 CFR 100.1402 will be enforced from 3:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on October 4 and 10, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this notification of enforcement, call or email MST1 Bradley Snyder, Waterways Management Division, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Honolulu; telephone (808) 541-4374, email William.a.snyder@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce the special local regulation for the Ironman Ho'ala practice swim and Ironman World Championship Triathlon from 3:45 a.m. to 11 a.m. on October 4 and 10, 2026. This action is being taken to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during this event. Our regulation for marine events within the USCG Oceania District (formerly the Fourteenth Coast Guard District), § 100.1402, identifies the regulated area for this event. The

regulated area covers all navigable waters of Kailua Bay within 100 yards adjacent to the 2.24 mile (4,224 yards) swim course, starting at the shoreline northeast of Kailua Pier at 19°38.341' N, 155°59.782' W; thence southeast to 19°37.416' N, 155°59.444' W; thence southwest to 19°37.397' N, 155°59.500' W; thence northwest to 19°38.150' N, 155°59.760' W, thence north and back to Kailua Pier at 19°38.398' N, 155°59.816' W, and returning along the pier to the originating point on the shoreline at 19°38.341' N, 155°59.782' W. All coordinate data are NAD 83. 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.

Entry into, transiting, or anchoring within the special local regulation is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port Honolulu or their designated on-scene representative. The Captain of the Port's designated on-scene representative may be contacted via VHF Channel 16.

In addition to this publication in the **Federal Register**, the Coast Guard will provide the maritime community with advance notification of the enforcement of this special local regulation via Broadcast Notice to Mariners.

N.S. West,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port Sector Honolulu.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket Number USCG-2026-0730]

RIN 1625-AA00

Safety Zone; Bridge Demolition, Upper Mississippi River, Chester, IL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone for all navigable waters of the Upper Mississippi River from mile marker 109.5 to mile marker 110.5 near Chester, IL. The safety zone is needed to protect personnel, vessels, and the marine environment from potential hazards associated with bridge demolition operations. Entry of vessels or persons into this zone is prohibited unless

specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port, Ohio Valley, or a designated representative.

DATES: This rule is effective without actual notice from September 29, 2026 through September 30, 2026. For the purposes of enforcement, actual notice will be used from September 28, 2026 until September 29, 2026.

ADDRESSES: To view available documents, go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for USCG–2026–0730.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this rule, contact LT Adam Denmark, Marine Safety Unit (MSU) Paducah Chief of Prevention, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone (270) 217–8430, or email MSUPaducah-WWM@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
U.S.C. United States Code

II. Background and Authority

The Bridge demolition operations will be conducted on the Upper Mississippi River from mile marker 109.5 to mile marker 110.5. Hazards from these operations include, but are not limited to, falling debris, explosive detonations, decreased visibility, vessel strikes, entanglement, and other marine hazards. The Captain of the Port (COTP), Ohio Valley has determined that potential hazards associated with the operation present a safety concern for anyone operating within the affected area. Therefore, the COTP is issuing this rule under the authority in 46 U.S.C. 70034, which is needed to protect personnel, vessels, and the marine environment in the navigable waters within the safety zone.

Because of these potential hazards, the Coast Guard is issuing this rule without prior notice and comment. 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 and contrary to the public interest. The Coast Guard was notified of this event on September 15, 2026, but we must establish this safety zone by September 28, 2026, to protect personnel, vessels, and the marine environment. Therefore, we 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 safety zone from 6 a.m. on September 28, 2026 to 8 a.m. on September 30, 2026. The safety zone will cover all navigable waters on the Upper Mississippi River, from surface to bottom, from mile marker 109.5 to mile marker 110.5 during the bridge demolition operations. Vessels and persons will not be allowed to enter the zone during these times, unless authorized by the Captain of the Port.

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 safety zone. It is categorically excluded from further review under paragraph L60(a) of Appendix A, Table 1 of DHS Instruction Manual 023–01–001–01, Rev. 1. A Record of Environmental Consideration supporting this determination is available in the docket.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 165

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 165 as follows:

PART 165—REGULATED NAVIGATION AREAS AND LIMITED ACCESS AREAS

■ 1. The authority citation for part 165 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 46 U.S.C. 70034, 70051, 70124; 33 CFR 1.05–1, 6.04–1, 6.04–6, and 160.5; DHS Delegation No. 00170.1, Revision No. 01.4.

■ 2. Add § 165.T08–0730 to read as follows:

§ 165.T08-0730 Safety Zone; Upper Mississippi River, Chester, IL.

(a) *Location.* The following area is a safety zone: All navigable waters of the Upper Mississippi River, from surface to bottom, extending from mile marker 109.5 to mile marker 110.5.

(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 COTP in the enforcement of the safety zone.

(c) *Regulations.* (1) Under the general safety zone regulations in subpart C of this part, you may not enter the safety zone described in paragraph (a) of this section unless authorized by the COTP or the COTP's 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 1 (800) 253-7465. Those in the safety zone must comply with all lawful orders or directions given to them by the COTP or the COTP's designated representative.

(d) *Enforcement period.* This section is effective and will be enforced from 6 a.m. on September 28, 2026, to 8 a.m. on September 30, 2026, unless cancelled earlier by the Captain of the Port, Ohio Valley. If there is inclement weather or other disruptions, the U.S. Coast Guard will inform mariners of the change in enforcement period via Broadcast Notice to Mariners on VHF-FM channel 16 and on-scene notice.

Bradford E. Clark,

Commander, U.S. Coast Guard, Acting, Captain of the Port, Ohio Valley.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

34 CFR Part 106

RIN 1870-AA26

Recodification of Title IX Rules

AGENCY: Office for Civil Rights, Department of Education.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Education publishes a final rule to repeal the U.S. Department of Education's (Department) 2024 final rule amending the Title IX regulations and restoring the regulatory text that existed prior to the 2024 rulemaking. The Department takes this action because the 2024 final rule has been vacated and is not enforceable

nationwide. The Department has not enforced the 2024 final rule for over a year and a half; the regulatory text that existed before promulgation of the 2024 final rule, which is in force, should be recodified in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). For this reason, the Department repeals the 2024 final rule to update the CFR.

DATES: This final rule is effective on September 29, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Maria Litsakis, Acting Director, Program Legal Group, Office for Civil Rights, 400 Maryland Ave. SW, 5th Floor, Washington, DC 20202. Telephone: 800-421-3481. Email: maria.litsakis@ed.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Executive Summary

The Department takes this final action to repeal the Department's 2024 final rule, *Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance*, 89 FR 33474-33896 (Apr. 29, 2024) (2024 Rule), and to restore the regulatory text that existed prior to promulgation of the 2024 Rule. As explained further below, enforcement of the 2024 Rule was preliminarily enjoined by eight different courts between June 13, 2024, and August 22, 2024, and vacated in full in final appealable orders in two different courts on January 9, 2025, and February 19, 2025.¹ On January 31, 2025, the Department announced it would enforce the regulations that existed prior to the promulgation of the 2024 Rule,² and, in fact, has not enforced the 2024 Rule in over a year and a half. With this final rule, the regulations currently in force—those that existed prior to the promulgation of the 2024 Rule—will be returned to the CFR to provide clarity and transparency, allowing recipients of Federal financial assistance, students, and parents to know what rules apply by simply reading the CFR.

The Department makes four minor changes to the regulatory text as it existed prior to promulgation of the

¹ See below for a fuller discussion, including citations.

² The January 31, 2025, announcement was later superseded by guidance dated February 4, 2025. Craig Trainor, Acting Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Dear Colleague Letter (Feb. 4, 2025), <https://www.ed.gov/media/document/title-ix-enforcement-directive-dcl-109477.pdf> (“[The Department] will enforce Title IX under the provisions of the 2020 Title IX Rule, rather than the 2024 Title IX Rule.” (footnotes omitted)); see also Press Release, U.S. Dep’t of Educ., U.S. Department of Education to Enforce 2020 Title IX Rule Protecting Women (Jan. 31, 2025), <https://www.ed.gov/about/news/press-release/us-department-of-education-enforce-2020-title-ix-rule-protecting-women>.

2024 Rule. First, the Department does not reinstate a single sentence that appeared in the prior version of 34 CFR 106.45(b)(6)(i) (2021) that was vacated by *Victim Rts. L. Ctr. v. Cardona*, 552 F. Supp. 3d 104, 132–34 (D. Mass. 2021); *Victim Rts. L. Ctr. v. Cardona*, No. 20-cv-11104, 2021 WL 3516475 (D. Mass. Aug. 10, 2021) (order). That vacatur is final.

Second, the Department does not reinstate Appendix A to 34 CFR part 106 (2021), which was previously removed by a final rule published by the Department earlier this year, *Rescinding Guidelines for Eliminating Discrimination and Denial of Services on the Basis of Race, Color, National Origin, Sex, and Handicap in Vocational Education Programs*, 91 FR 46285–94 (July 23, 2026). That final rule rescinded Appendix B to 34 CFR part 100, and the two cross-references to that appendix. 91 FR 46294. One of those rescinded cross-references was Appendix A to 34 CFR part 106 (2021). *Id.* Reinstating Appendix A as part of this final rule would be pointless because it contains no substantive information. It is a mere cross-reference to provisions that no longer exist.

Third, the Department does not reinstate 34 CFR 106.41(d) (2021), which provided recipients an “adjustment period” of either one year or three years to come into compliance with the remainder of 34 CFR 106.41. The remainder of 34 CFR 106.41 has not been amended since it was transferred from the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW) to the Department in 1980. See 45 FR 30962. Reinstating 34 CFR 106.41(d) (2021) could create the impression that recipients will now have another year or three to come into compliance with 34 CFR 106.41, which is absolutely not the Department's intent. The adjustment period created by 34 CFR 106.41(d) expired over four decades ago. That subsection is obsolete and tied to the effective date of the regulation, rather than a fixed date; reinstating it could create confusion or new substantive rights and, accordingly, the Department does not reinstate it.

Fourth, the Department does not reinstate 34 CFR 106.3(c)–(d) (2021). 34 CFR 106.3(c) required recipients to assess their policies and make appropriate changes “within one year of the effective date of this part.” That one-year deadline passed about 45 years ago. 34 CFR 106.3(d) required recipients to maintain records from their reviews conducted under subsection 106.3(c) for at least three years, to be provided to the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights on request. That three-year deadline passed