

Regulatory Flexibility Act

It is hereby certified that this proposed regulation will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The establishment of a viticultural area is neither an endorsement nor approval by ATF of the quality of wine produced in the area, but rather an identification of an area that is distinct from surrounding areas. ATF believes that the establishment of viticultural areas merely allows wineries to more accurately describe the origin of their wines to consumers, and helps consumers identify the wines they purchase. Thus, any benefit derived from the use of a viticultural area name is the result of the proprietor's own efforts and consumer acceptance of wines from the region.

Accordingly, a regulatory flexibility analysis is not required because the proposal, if promulgated as a final rule, is not expected (1) to have significant secondary, or incidental effects on a substantial number of small entities; or (2) to impose, or otherwise cause a significant increase in the reporting, recordkeeping, or other compliance burdens on a substantial number of small entities.

Executive Order 12866

It has been determined that this proposed regulation is not a significant regulatory action as defined by Executive Order 12866. Accordingly, this proposal is not subject to the analysis required by this executive order.

Drafting Information

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List of Subjects in 27 CFR Part 9

Administrative practices and procedures, Consumer protection, Viticultural areas, and Wine.

Authority and Issuance

Title 27 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 9, American Viticultural Areas, is proposed to be amended as follows:

PART 9—AMERICAN VITICULTURAL AREAS

Paragraph 1. The authority citation for Part 9 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 27 U.S.C. 205.

Par. 2. Subpart C is amended by adding § 9.154 to read as follows:

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Subpart C—Approved American Viticultural Areas

§ 9.154 Chiles Valley

(a) *Name.* The name of the viticultural area described in this section is "Chiles Valley."

(b) *Approved maps.* The appropriate maps for determining the boundary of the Chiles Valley viticultural area are four 1:24,000 Scale U.S.G.S. topography maps. They are titled:

- (1) St. Helena, CA 1960 photorevised 1980
- (2) Rutherford, CA 1951 photorevised 1968
- (3) Chiles Valley, CA 1958 photorevised 1980
- (4) Yountville, CA 1951 photorevised 1968

(c) *Boundary.* The Chiles Valley viticultural area is located in the State of California, entirely within the Napa Valley viticultural area. The boundaries of the Chiles Valley viticultural area, using landmarks and points of reference found on appropriate U.S.G.S. maps follow. The local names of roads are identified by name.

(1) Beginning on the St. Helena, CA quadrangle map at the northernmost corner of Rancho Catacula in Section 34, Township 9 North (T9N), Range 5 West (R5W), Mount Diablo Base and Meridian (MDBM);

(2) Then in southwesterly direction along the Rancho Catacula boundary line to its intersection with the Rancho La Jota boundary line;

(3) Then in a south-southeasterly direction approximately 3,800 feet along the Rancho Catacula/Rancho La Jota boundary line to the point where the Rancho Catacula boundary separates from the common boundary with Rancho La Jota;

(4) Then in a southeasterly direction continuing along the Rancho Catacula boundary approximately 23,600 feet to a point of intersection, in the NE ¼ Sec. 19, T8N, R4W, on the Chiles Valley quadrangle map, with a county road known locally as Chiles and Pope Valley Road;

(5) Then in a southwesterly direction along Chiles and Pope Valley Road to a point where it first crosses an unnamed blueline stream in the SE ¼ Section 19, T8N, R4W;

(6) Then following the unnamed stream in generally southeast direction to its intersection with the 1200 foot contour;

(7) Then following the 1200 foot contour in a northeasterly direction to a point of intersection with the Rancho Catacula boundary in section 20, T8N, R4W;

(8) Then in a southeasterly direction along the Rancho Catacula boundary

approximately 17,500 feet to the southwest corner of Rancho Catacula in section 34, T8N, R4W on the Yountville, CA, quadrangle map;

(9) Then in a northeasterly direction along the Rancho Catacula boundary approximately 650 feet to its intersection with the 1040 foot contour;

(10) Then along the 1040 foot contour in a generally east and northeast direction to its intersection with the Rancho Catacula boundary;

(11) Then in a northeasterly direction along the Rancho Catacula boundary approximately 1100 feet to its intersection with the 1040 foot contour;

(12) Then along the 1040 foot contour in an easterly direction and then in a northwesterly direction to its intersection of the Rancho Catacula boundary;

(13) Then in a southwesterly direction along the Rancho Catacula boundary approximately 300 feet to a point of intersection with a line of high voltage power lines;

(14) Then in a westerly direction along the high voltage line approximately 650 feet to its intersection with the 1000 foot contour;

(15) Then continuing along the 1000 foot contour in a generally northwesterly direction to the point of intersection with the first unnamed blueline stream;

(16) Then along the unnamed stream in a northerly direction to its point of intersection with the 1200 foot contour;

(17) Then along the 1200 foot contour in a northwesterly direction to its points of intersection with the Rancho Catacula boundary in Section 35, T9N, R5W on the St. Helena, CA, quadrangle map;

(18) Then along the Rancho Catacula boundary in a northwesterly direction approximately 5,350 feet to a northernmost corner of Rancho Catacula, the beginning point on the St. Helena quadrangle map a the northernmost corner of Rancho Catacula in Section 34, T9N, R5W, MDBM.

Signed: February 20, 1998.

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Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Subchapter S

[CGD 97-066]

Federal Requirements for Education in Recreational Boating Safety

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Proposed rule; request for comments; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: In a document published on October 23, 1997, the Coast Guard requested comments from interested people, groups, and businesses about the need for, and alternatives to, Federal requirements or incentives for boaters to take courses in boating safety. The Coast Guard will consider all comments, and consult with the National Boating Safety Advisory Council (NBSAC), in determining how best to reduce the number of deaths among boaters caused by a lack of boating safety training. This document reopens the comment period.

DATE: Comments must reach the Coast Guard on or before May 29, 1998.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments to the Executive Secretary, Marine Safety Council (G-LRA, 3406) [CGD 97-066], U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW, Washington, DC 20593-0001, or deliver them to room 3406 at the same address between 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202-267-1477.

The Executive Secretary maintains the public docket for this rulemaking. Comments, and documents as indicated in this preamble, will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at room 3406, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, between 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mike Moore, Project Manager, Office of Boating Safety, Program Development and Implementation Division, (202) 267-0577. You may obtain a copy of this Notice or of the original one by calling the U.S. Coast Guard Infoline at 1-800-368-5647, or read either on the Internet, at the Web Site for the office of Boating Safety, at URL address www.uscgboating.org.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background and Purpose

In a Notice published on October 23, 1997 (62 FR 55199), the Coast Guard set the original close of the comment period at February 2, 1998, to allow summarizing the comments received and providing the summaries to the members of NBSAC before the scheduled meeting on April 27, 1998. Because of reported delays in publication of that Notice in several recreational boating periodicals, the number of comments received just before and just after the close of the comment period, and a request by the Boat Owners Association of the United

States, the Coast Guard is reopening the comment period to provide additional time for submission of public comment. All comments submitted in response to the original Notice are already in the docket. The Coast Guard will summarize all comments it receives during the comment period in response to this Notice and the original one, place a copy of the summary in the public docket, and provide copies to the members of NBSAC for them to consider at their meeting in October, 1998. (The Coast Guard will publish details of the exact time and place of the meeting in the **Federal Register** at a later date. The meeting will be open to the public.) It will itself consider all relevant comments in the formulation of any regulatory or nonregulatory measures that may follow from this notice.

Request for Comments

The Coast Guard encourages you to submit comments about the need for, and alternatives to, Federal requirements or incentives for boaters to participate in boating safety education. In particular, it encourages you to answer the specific questions about these requirements or incentives for taking courses in boating safety, which it developed in consultation with members of NBSAC at the meeting in April 1997. It also solicits comments from all segments of the boating community, State boating safety authorities, NBSAC, the national Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA), and other interested people, groups, and businesses on the economic and other impacts of Federal requirements or incentives for boating safety education.

Please include your name and address, identify this rulemaking [CGD 97-066] and the specific question or area of concern to which each comment applies, and give the reason(s) for each comment. Please submit two copies of all comments and attachments in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, to help us with copying and electronic filing. If you want us to acknowledge receipt of your comments, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope.

Dated: March 12, 1998.

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Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Acting Assistant Commandant for Operations.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 175

[CGD 97-059]

Recreational Boating Safety—Federal Requirements for Wearing Personal Flotation Devices

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Proposed rule; request for comments; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: In a document published on September 25, 1997, the Coast Guard requested comments from interested people, groups, and businesses about the need for, and alternatives to, Federal requirements or incentives for boaters to wear lifejackets. The Coast Guard will consider all comments, and consult with the National Boating Safety Advisory Council (NBSAC), in determining how best to reduce the number of boaters who drown. This document reopens the comment period.

DATES: Comments must reach the Coast Guard on or before May 29, 1998.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments to the Executive Secretary, Marine Safety Council (G-LRA, 3406) [CGD 97-059], U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW, Washington, DC 20593-0001, or deliver them to room 3406 at the same address between 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202-267-1477.

The Executive Secretary maintains the public docket for this rulemaking. Comments, and documents as indicated in this preamble, will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at room 3406, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, between 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carlton Perry, Project Manager, Office of Boating Safety, Program Management Division, (202) 267-0979. You may obtain a copy of this Notice or of the original one by calling the U.S. Coast Guard Infoline at 1-800-368-5647, or read either on the Internet, at the Web Site for the Office of Boating Safety, at URL address www.uscgboating.org.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background and Purpose

In a Notice published on September 25, 1997 [62 FR 50280], the Coast Guard set the original close of the comment period at February 2, 1998, to allow summarizing the comments received