

(b) *Coast Guard Patrol Commander.* The Coast Guard Patrol Commander is a commissioned, warrant, or petty officer of the Coast Guard who has been designated by Commanding Officer, Group Charleston, SC.

(c) *Special Local Regulations.* Entry into the regulated area by other than event participants is prohibited, unless otherwise authorized by the Patrol Commander.

(d) *Dates.* These regulations become effective at 8:30 p.m. and terminate at 10:30 p.m.

Dated: June 15, 1999.

Norman T. Saunders,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD 09-99-039]

Drawbridge Operating Regulation; Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, LA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District, has issued a temporary deviation from the regulation governing the operation of the SR 384 drawbridge across the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, mile 237.5 west of Harvey Locks, near Black Bayou, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana. This deviation allows the LDOTD to maintain the bridge in the closed to navigation position from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on June 29, 1999 to allow for the replacement of the draw works.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on June 29, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. David Frank, Bridge Administration Branch, Commander (ob), Eighth Coast Guard District, 501 Magazine Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70130-3396, telephone number 504-589-2965.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Navigation on the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway consists of tugs with tows, fishing vessels, sailing vessels, and other recreational craft. The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development requested a temporary deviation from the normal operation of the bridge in 33 CFR 117.5 in order to accommodate the replacement of the draw works. This maintenance is

essential for the continued operation of the draw span.

This deviation allows the draw of the SR 384 pontoon bridge across the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, mile 237.5 west of Harvey Locks, near Black Bayou to remain in the closed-to-navigation position from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on June 29, 1999. Presently, the draw opens on signal for the passage of vessels.

Dated: June 4, 1999.

Paul J. Pluta,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD01-99-059]

Drawbridge Operation Regulations: Hackensack River, NJ

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, First Coast Guard District, has issued a temporary deviation from the drawbridge operation regulations governing the operation of the Path Railroad vertical lift bridge, mile 3.0, across the Hackensack River in Jersey City, New Jersey. This deviation authorizes the bridge to remain closed for two one-week periods with a twenty-four hour advance notice requirement for bridge openings on the last two days of each closed period. This action is necessary to facilitate mechanical repairs to the bridge.

DATES: This deviation is effective from June 5, 1999 through June 11, 1999 and from June 26, 1999 through July 2, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Judy Yee, First Coast Guard District, Bridge Branch, at (212) 668-7165.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Path Railroad vertical lift bridge, mile 3.0, across the Hackensack River has vertical clearances of 40 feet at mean high water, and 45 feet at mean low water in the closed position, and 135 feet and 140 feet in the fully open position. The operating regulations for the bridge require the bridge to open on signal at all times.

The owner, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, requested a temporary deviation from the operating regulations for the Path Railroad Bridge in order to conduct necessary repairs to the bridge. This work is essential for

public safety. Repairs to the trunnion in the east tower must be done to ensure continued operation of the bridge. In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(c), this work will be performed with all due speed in order to return the bridge to operation as soon as possible.

This deviation to the operating regulations will allow the Path Railroad Bridge, mile 3.0, across the Hackensack River in Jersey City, New Jersey, to operate as follows:

(1) The bridge shall remain in the closed position from June 5 through June 9, 1999 and from June 26 through June 30, 1999.

(2) The bridge shall open on signal from 12:01 a.m., June 10, through 12 midnight, June 11, 1999, and 12:01 a.m., July 1, through 12 midnight, July 2, 1999, if at least 24 hour advance notice is given by calling (917) 649-9543.

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

Dated: May 25, 1999.

Robert F. Duncan,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Acting Commander, First Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD08-99-040]

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Bayou Des Allemands, LA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District has issued a temporary deviation from the regulation governing the operation of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad swing span bridge across Bayou Des Allemands, St. Charles Parish, Louisiana. This deviation allows the draw of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad swing span drawbridge to remain closed to navigation continuously from 7 a.m. on July 12, 1999 through 6 p.m. on July 16, 1999 and from 7 a.m. on July 19, 1999, through 6 p.m. on July 23, 1999.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 7 a.m. on July 12, 1999 through 6 p.m. on July 23, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Unless otherwise indicated, documents referred to in this notice are available for inspection or copying at the office of the Eighth Coast Guard

District, Bridge Administration Branch, Hale Boggs Federal Building, room 1313, 501 Magazine Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130-3396 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Bridge Administration Branch of the Eighth Coast Guard District maintains the public docket for this temporary deviation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Phil Johnson, Bridge Administration Branch, at the address given above, telephone (504) 589-2965.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad swing span drawbridge across Bayou Des Allemands, mile 14, at Des Allemands, Louisiana has a vertical clearance of three feet above mean high water in the closed-to-navigation position and unlimited in the open-to-navigation position. Navigation on the waterway consists of tugs with tows, fishing vessels and recreational craft. The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad requested a temporary deviation for the operation of the drawbridge to accommodate maintenance work, involving replacement of the steel truss members, stringers, floor beams and railroad ties and rails, an extensive but necessary maintenance operation. Presently, the draw opens on signal Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. At all other times the draw opens on signal if at least 4 hours notice is given. This work is essential for continued safe operation of the bridge.

The District Commander has, therefore, issued a deviation from the regulations in 33 CFR 117.5 authorizing the draw of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad swing span drawbridge to remain closed to navigation from 7 a.m. on July 12, 1999 through 6 p.m. on July 16, 1999 and from 7 a.m. on July 19, 1999 through 6 p.m. on July 23, 1999.

In event of an approaching tropical storm or hurricane, the draw will return to normal operation with 12 hours notice from the Coast Guard. Presently, the draw opens on signal Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. At all other times the draw opens on signal if at least 4 hours notice is given.

Dated: June 4, 1999.

Paul J. Pluta,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD01-99-084]

Drawbridge Operation Regulations: Hackensack River, NJ

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, First Coast Guard, has issued a temporary deviation from the drawbridge operation regulations governing the operation of the Portal Bridge, mile 5.0, across the Hackensack River at Little Snake Hill, New Jersey. This deviation authorizes the bridge owner to keep the bridge in the closed position for six weekends beginning 10 p.m. on Friday evening through 5 a.m. on Monday morning each weekend. This action is necessary to facilitate timber and mitre rail rehabilitation at the bridge.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 10 p.m. on June 11 through 5 a.m. on June 14, 1999; 10 p.m. on June 18 through 5 a.m. on June 21, 1999; 10 p.m. on June 25 through 5 a.m. on June 28, 1999; 10 p.m. on July 9 through 5 a.m. on July 12, 1999; 10 p.m. on July 16 through 5 a.m. on July 19, 1999; 10 p.m. on July 23 through 5 a.m. on July 26, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Judy Yee, First Coast Guard District, Bridge Branch, at (212) 668-7165.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Portal Bridge, mile 5.0, across the Hackensack River has vertical clearances of 23 feet at mean high water, and 28 feet at mean low water in the closed position. The current operating regulations listed at 33 CFR 117.723(c) require the bridge to open on signal; except that, from Monday through Friday, except federal holidays, the draw need not open from 7:20 a.m. to 9:20 a.m. and from 4:30 p.m. to 6:50 p.m. At all other times, an opening may not be delayed for more than ten minutes, unless the drawtender and the vessel operator agree to a longer delay.

The bridge owner, AMTRAK, requested a temporary deviation from the operating regulations for the Portal Bridge in order to conduct repairs to the bridge timber and mitre rails. This work will require the bridge to remain in the closed position and not open for vessel traffic during these repairs. Vessels that can pass under the bridge without an opening may do so at all times during the closed periods. This work is

essential for public safety and the continued operation of the bridge. In accordance with 33 CFR 117.25(c), this work will be performed with all due speed to return the bridge to normal operation as soon as possible.

This deviation to the operating regulations will allow the Portal Bridge, mile 5.0 across the Hackensack River in Little Snake Hill, New Jersey, to remain in the closed position as follows:

10 p.m. on June 11 through 5 a.m. on June 14, 1999.

10 p.m. on June 18 through 5 a.m. on June 21, 1999.

10 p.m. on June 25 through 5 a.m. on June 28, 1999.

10 p.m. on July 9 through 5 a.m. on July 12, 1999.

10 p.m. on July 16 through 5 a.m. on July 19, 1999.

10 p.m. on July 23 through 5 a.m. on July 26, 1999.

At all other times the draw shall operate as published at 33 CFR 117.723(c). This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: June 11, 1999.

R.M. Larrabee,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 160

[USCG-1998-4819]

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Year 2000 (Y2K) Reporting Requirements for Vessels and Marine Facilities

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Temporary interim rule with request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard establishes temporary regulations to require owners and operators of certain vessels and marine facilities to report Year 2000 (Y2K) preparedness information. These reporting requirements are based on vessel and marine facility-specific Y2K questionnaires issued by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) as IMO Circular Letter 2121. Responses to questionnaires will help Coast Guard Captains of the Port (COTPs) assess vessel and marine facility preparedness for potential Y2K-related malfunctions of equipment and systems. This preparedness information will help COTPs identify potentially