



DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket No. USCG-2016-0754]

Safety Zone; Delaware River, Philadelphia, PA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce regulations for a safety zone for an annual fireworks event in the Captain of the Port Delaware Bay zone from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. on September 16, 2016, with a rain date of September 18, 2016. Enforcement of this zone is necessary and intended to ensure safety of life on the navigable waters immediately prior to, during, and immediately after these fireworks events. During the enforcement periods, no vessel may transit this regulated area without approval from the Captain of the Port or a designated representative.

DATES: The regulations in 33 CFR 165.506 will be enforced from 8 p.m. through 10 p.m. on September 16, 2016, with a rain date of September 18, 2016, for the safety zone identified in row (a)(16) of Table to § 165.506.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this notice of enforcement, call or email MST1 Thomas Simkins, Sector Delaware Bay Waterways Management Division, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 215-271-4889, e-mail Tom.J.Simkins@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

From 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. on September 16, 2016, with a rain date of September 18, 2016, the Coast Guard will enforce regulations in 33 CFR 165.506 for the safety zone in the Delaware River in Philadelphia, PA listed in row (a)(16) in the table in that section. This action is being taken to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during the fireworks display.

Our regulations for recurring firework events in Captain of the Port Delaware Bay Zone, appear in § 165.506, Safety Zones; Fireworks Displays in the Fifth Coast Guard District, which specifies the location of the regulated area for this safety zone as all waters of Delaware River, adjacent to Penns Landing, Philadelphia, PA, bounded from shoreline to shoreline, bounded on the south by a line running east to west from points along the shoreline at latitude 39°56'31.2"N., longitude 075°08'28.1"W.; thence to latitude 39°56'29".1N., longitude 075°07'56.5"W., and bounded on the north by the Benjamin Franklin Bridge.

As specified in § 165.506, during the enforcement period no vessel may transit this safety zone without approval from the Captain of the Port Delaware Bay (COTP). If permission is granted, all persons and vessels shall comply with the instructions of the COTP or designated representative.

This notice of enforcement is issued under authority of 33 CFR 165.506 and 5 U.S.C. 552(a). In addition to this notice of enforcement in the *Federal Register*, the Coast Guard will provide the maritime community with advanced notification of this

enforcement period via Broadcast Notice to Mariners (BNM). If the COTP Delaware Bay determines that the regulated area need not be enforced for the full duration, a BNM to grant general permission to enter the safety zone may be used.

Dated: August 24, 2016

Benjamin A. Cooper,
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard,
Captain of the Port Delaware Bay.

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