

safety zones will be in effect for the duration of the events. In the event that these safety zones affect shipping, commercial vessels may request permission from the Captain of the Port, Sector Lake Michigan to transit through the safety zone.

Requests must be made in advance and approved by the Captain of Port before transits will be authorized. The Captain of the Port may be contacted via U.S. Coast Guard Sector Lake Michigan on channel 16, VHF-FM. The Coast Guard will give notice to the public via a Broadcast Notice to Mariners that the regulation is in effect.

Dated: June 22, 2006.

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*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port Sector Lake Michigan.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

#### 33 CFR Part 165

[COTP Charleston 06-111]

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#### **Safety Zone; 4th July Fireworks, Cooper River, Patriots Point, Mount Pleasant, SC**

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Temporary final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard is establishing a safety zone on the navigable waters of the Cooper River for a Fourth of July fireworks display. The safety zone extends 1000 feet in all directions from USS Yorktown located at Patriots Point, Mt. Pleasant, SC, in approximate position 32°47'27" N 079°54'34" W. The rule prohibits entry, anchoring, mooring or transiting within the safety zone without the permission of the Captain of the Port Charleston or his designated representative. This regulation is necessary to protect life and property on the navigable waters of the Cooper River from the hazards associated with the launching of fireworks.

**DATES:** This rule is effective from 6 p.m. on July 4 until 12:01 a.m. on July 5, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** You may mail comments and related material to Commander Coast Guard Sector Charleston (WWM), 196 Tradd Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401. This Office maintains the public docket for this rulemaking.

Comments and material received from the public, as well as documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket, will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at Waterways Management Division 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Chief Warrant Officer James J. McHugh, Sector Charleston office of Waterways Management, at (843) 724-7647.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Regulatory Information**

We did not publish a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) for this regulation. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing a NPRM. The exact location and time of the event was not provided with sufficient time for public comment. Publishing a NPRM, which would incorporate a comment period before a final rule could be issued and delay the rule's effective date, is contrary to public interest because immediate action is necessary to protect the public and waters of the United States.

For the same reasons, 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**. The Coast Guard will issue a broadcast notice to mariners and will place Coast Guard vessels in the vicinity of this zone to advise mariners of the restriction.

##### **Background and Purpose**

This rule allows the Coast Guard Captain of the Port Charleston, South Carolina, to establish a safety zone in order to provide for a minimum separation set back area for the Patriots Point July Fourth Fireworks event, as recommended by the National Fire Protection Association for firework displays. The safety zone is necessary to protect the participants and spectators, and to ensure no unsafe conditions exist.

##### **Discussion of Rule**

The safety zone will be in effect and enforced in an area extending 1000 feet in any direction from USS Yorktown located at Patriots Point, Mt. Pleasant, SC in approximate position 32°47'27" N, 079°54'34" W. The safety zone will be enforced from 6:00 p.m. until 12:01 a.m. for the Fireworks display. The safety zone will be activated by a local Broadcast to Mariners and a Marine Safety Information Bulletin. Persons and vessels will be prohibited from entering,

anchoring, mooring or transiting within the safety zone without the permission of the Captain Of the Port Charleston or his designated representative. Any concerned traffic may request permission to pass through the safety zone from the COTP or his designated representative on VHF-FM channel 16 or via phone at (843) 720-3240.

##### **Regulatory Evaluation**

This rule is not a "significant regulatory action" under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of that Order. The Office of Management and Budget has not reviewed it under the order. It is not "significant" under the regulatory policies and procedures of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) because these regulations will only be in effect for a short period of time and the impact on routine navigation is expected to be minimal.

##### **Small Entities**

Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601-612), we have considered whether this rule would have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. 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 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. This rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities for the following reasons: this rule is for a highly publicized event and will only be in effect for a limited time and for a limited area. The Coast Guard Patrol Commander can authorize transits through the regulated area on a as needed basis.

##### **Assistance for Small Entities**

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 so that they can better evaluate its effects on them and participate in the rulemaking. If the rule will affect your small business, organization, or governmental jurisdiction and you have questions concerning its provisions or options for compliance; please contact Chief Warrant Officer James J. McHugh, Sector

Charleston Office of Waterways Management, at 843 724-7647. 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.

Small businesses may send comments on the actions of Federal employees who enforce, or otherwise determine compliance with, Federal regulations to the Small Business and Agriculture Regulatory Enforcement Ombudsman and the Regional Small Business Regulatory Fairness Boards. The Ombudsman evaluates these actions annually and rates each agency's responsiveness to small business. If you wish to comment on actions by employees of the Coast Guard, call 1-888-REG-FAIR (1-888-734-3247).

### Collection of Information

This rule calls for no new collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520.).

### Federalism

A rule has implications for federalism under Executive Order 13132, Federalism, if it has a substantial direct effect on State or local governments and would either preempt State law or impose a substantial direct cost of compliance on them. We have analyzed this rule under that Order and have determined that it does not have implications for federalism.

### Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1531-1538) requires Federal agencies to assess the effects of their discretionary regulatory actions. In particular, the Act addresses actions that may result in the expenditure by a State, local, or tribal government, in the aggregate, or by the private sector of \$100,000,000 or more in any one year. Though this rule would not result in such an expenditure, we do discuss the effects of this rule elsewhere in this preamble.

### Taking of Private Property

This rule would not effect a taking of private property or otherwise have taking implications under Executive Order 12630, Governmental Actions and Interference with Constitutionally Protected Property Rights.

### Civil Justice Reform

This rule meets applicable standards in sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform, to minimize litigation, eliminate ambiguity, and reduce burden.

### Protection of Children

We have analyzed this rule under Executive Order 13045, Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks. This rule is not an economically significant rule and would not create an environmental risk to health or risk to safety that might disproportionately affect children.

### Indian Tribal Governments

This rule does not have tribal implications under Executive Order 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments, because it would 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.

### Energy Effects

We have analyzed this rule under Executive Order 13211, Actions Concerning Regulations That Significantly Affect Energy Supply, Distribution, or Use. We have determined that it is not a "significant energy action" under that order because it is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866 and is not likely to have a significant adverse effect on the supply, distribution, or use of energy. The Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs has not designated it as a significant energy action. Therefore, it does not require a Statement of Energy Effects under Executive Order 13211.

### Technical Standards

The National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act (NTTAA) (15 U.S.C. 272 note) directs agencies to use voluntary consensus standards in their regulatory activities unless the agency provides Congress, through the Office of Management and Budget, with an explanation of why using these standards would be inconsistent with applicable law or otherwise impractical. Voluntary consensus standards are technical standards (e.g., specifications of materials, performance, design, or operation; test methods; sampling procedures; and related management systems practices) that are developed or adopted by voluntary consensus standards bodies.

This rule does not use technical standards. Therefore, we did not consider the use of voluntary consensus standards.

### Environment

We have analyzed this rule under Commandant Instruction M16475.ID

and Department of Homeland Security Management Directive 5100.1, which guide the Coast Guard in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321-4370f), and have concluded that there are no factors in this case that would limit the use of a categorical exclusion under section 2.B.2 of the Instruction. Therefore, this rule is categorically excluded, under figure 2-1, paragraph (34)(g), of the Instruction, from further environmental documentation. A final "Environmental Analysis Checklist" and a final "Categorical Exclusion Determination" are available in the docket where indicated under addresses.

### 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:** 33 U.S.C. 1226, 1231; 46 U.S.C. Chapter 701; 50 U.S.C. 191; 195; 33 CFR 1.05-1(g), 6.04-1, 6.04-6, and 160.5; Pub. L. 107-295, 116 Stat. 2064; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1.

■ 2. Add § 165.T07-111 to read as follows:

#### § 165.T07-111 Safety Zone; Cooper River, Patriots Point, Mt. Pleasant, SC.

(a) *Location.* The Coast Guard is establishing a safety zone for a fireworks display. The safety zone extends 1000 feet in all directions from USS Yorktown located at Patriots Point, Mt. Pleasant, SC, in approximate position 32°47'27" N 079°54'34" W. These coordinates are based upon the North American datum of 1983 (NAD83).

(b) *Definitions.* The following definitions apply to this section:

*Designated representative* means Coast Guard Patrol Commanders, including Coast Guard coxswains, petty officers or other officers operating Coast Guard vessel and a Federal, State, and local officers designated by or assisting the Captain of the Port Charleston (COTP) in the enforcement of the safety zone.

(c) *Regulations.* (1) Under the general regulations in § 165.23, entry into, transiting, or anchoring within this safety zone is prohibited unless authorized by the COTP, Charleston,

South Carolina or the COTP's designated representative.

(2) The safety zone is closed to all vessel traffic, except as may be permitted by the COTP or the COTP's designated representative.

(3) Vessel operators desiring to enter or operate within the safety zone must contact the COTP or the COTP's designated representative to obtain permission to do so. Vessel operators given permission to enter or operate in the safety zone must comply with all directions given to them by the COTP or the COTP's designated representative.

(d) *Effective period.* This rule is effective from 6 p.m. on July 4 until 12:01 a.m. on July 5, 2006.

Dated: June 21, 2006.

**J.E. Cameron,**

*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port, Charleston, South Carolina.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

#### 33 CFR Part 165

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#### **Safety Zone; Lake Michigan: Michigan City Independence Day Fireworks, Dunes Acres, Michigan City, IN**

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Temporary final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone in Lake Michigan near Dunes Acres, Michigan City, IN, for the Michigan City Independence Day Fireworks on July 1, 2006. This safety zone is needed to protect participants and spectators from the hazards associated with fireworks displays. Entry into this zone is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port or his designated on scene representative.

**DATES:** This rule is effective from 9 p.m. (local) on July 1, 2006 through 11 p.m. (local) on July 1, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket, are part of docket [CGD09-06-072] and are available for inspection or copying at U.S. Coast Guard Sector Lake Michigan, 2420 South Lincoln Memorial Drive, Milwaukee, WI 53207 between 7 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Chief Warrant Officer Brad Hincken, Sector Lake Michigan, (414) 747-7154.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Regulatory Information**

We did not publish a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) for this regulation. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing an NPRM. The permit application was not submitted in time to allow for publication of an NPRM followed by a temporary final rule before the effective date.

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 from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**. Any delay of the effective date of this rule would be contrary to the public interest by exposing the public to the known dangers associated with fireworks displays.

##### **Background and Purpose**

This temporary safety zone is necessary to ensure the safety of vessels and spectators from hazards associated with a fireworks display. Based on accidents that have occurred in other Captain of the Port zones, and the explosive hazards of fireworks, the Captain of the Port Lake Michigan has determined fireworks launches in close proximity to watercraft pose significant risk to public safety and property. The likely combination of large numbers of recreation vessels, congested waterways, darkness punctuated by bright flashes of light, alcohol use, and debris falling into the water could easily result in serious injuries or fatalities. Establishing a safety zone to control vessel movement around the location of the launch platform will help ensure the safety of persons and property at these events and help minimize the associated risks. This safety zone is necessary to ensure the safety of the public and boating traffic in the Dunes Acres area during this event. This safety zone is intended to restrict vessel traffic from a portion of Lake Michigan. The size of the zone was determined by fireworks shell size and previous experiences in the Captain of the Port Lake Michigan zone and local knowledge about wind, waves, and currents in this particular area.

##### **Discussion of Rule**

A temporary safety zone is necessary to ensure the safety of spectators and vessels during the setup, loading and launching of a fireworks display in conjunction with the Michigan City Independence Day fireworks display. The fireworks display will occur

between 9 p.m. (local) and 11 p.m. (local) on July 1, 2006. The safety zone will encompass all waters of Lake Michigan from within a 500-foot radius of the fireworks launching site located in approximate position 41°-39.24'N and 086°-04.98'W.

All persons and vessels shall comply with the instructions of the Captain of the Port Lake Michigan or his designated on scene representative. Entry into, transiting, or anchoring within the safety zone is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port Lake Michigan or his designated on scene representative. The Captain of the Port Lake Michigan may be contacted via VHF Channel 16.

##### **Regulatory Evaluation**

This rule is not a "significant regulatory action" under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of that Order. The Office of Management and Budget has not reviewed it under that Order. It is not "significant" under the regulatory policies and procedures of the Department of Homeland Security.

We expect the economic impact of this rule to be so minimal that a full Regulatory Evaluation under the regulatory policies and procedures of DHS is unnecessary.

This determination is based upon the size and location of the safety zone within the waterway. Vessels will only be restricted from the safety zone for a short period of time. Vessels may transit through the safety zone with permission from the Captain of the Port Lake Michigan or his designated on scene representative.

##### **Small Entities**

Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601-612), we considered whether this rule would have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. 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 certifies under 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

This rule will affect the following entities, some of which may be small entities: The owners or operators of vessels intending to transit or anchor near Dunes Acres, Michigan City, IN, within the safety zone.