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§ 117.999 Blackwater River.

The draw of the S189 bridge, mile 9.2 at South Quay, shall open on signal if at least 24 hours notice is given.

§ 117.1001 Cat Point Creek.

The draw of the S634 bridge, mile 0.3 at Naylor's, need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

§ 117.1003 Chickahominy River.

The draw of the highway bridge, mile 1.5 at Barrets Ferry, shall open on signal; except that, from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m., the draw shall open on signal if at least 12 hours notice is given.

[CGD 82-025, 49 FR 17452, Apr. 24, 1984; 49 FR 37382, Sept. 24, 1984]

§ 117.1007 Elizabeth River—Eastern Branch.

(a) The draw of the Norfolk and Western Railroad bridge, mile 2.7 at Norfolk, shall open as follows:

(1) From 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., the draw shall open on signal if it is in the closed to navigation position and remain open until a train crossing requires that it be returned to the closed position.

(2) From 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., the draw shall open on signal if at least two hours notice is given.

(b) The draw of the Berkley Bridge mile 0.4 at Norfolk, shall remain closed one hour prior to the published start of a scheduled marine event regulated under §100.501, and shall remain closed until one hour following the completion of the event unless the Patrol Commander designated under §100.501 allows the bridge to open for commercial vessel traffic.

(c) The draw of the Berkley Bridge, mile 0.4 in Norfolk—

(1) Shall open on signal at any time except from 5:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. and

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from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

(2) From 5:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. and from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays;

(3) Shall open at any time for commercial vessels with a draft of 22 feet or more, provided at least 12 hours advance notice has been given to the Berkley Bridge Traffic Control Room at (804) 494-2424, and

(4) Shall open on signal at any time for a vessel in distress.

[CGD 82-025, 49 FR 43463, Oct. 29, 1984, as amended by CGD 05-88-13, 53 FR 20321, June 3, 1988; CGD 5-89-43, 54 FR 30039, July 18, 1989; CGD5-90-023, 55 FR 23434, June 8, 1990]

§ 117.1011 Great Wicomico River.

The draw of the S200 bridge, mile 8.0 at Tipers, shall open on signal; except that, if an opening is desired from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., the drawtender on duty shall be notified before 6 p.m.

§ 117.1013 Kinsale Creek.

The draw of the state highway bridge, mile 4.0, at Kinsale need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

§ 117.1015 Mattaponi River.

The draws of the Lord Delaware (S33) bridge, mile 0.8 at West Point, and the S629 bridge, mile 28.5 at Walkerton, shall open on signal if at least 24 hours notice is given. The drawtender service for either bridge shall be increased to the degree determined to be adequate within 30 days after written notice is received from the District Commander to do so.

§ 117.1021 North Landing River.

The draw of the S165 bridge, mile 20.2 at Chesapeake, shall open on signal; except that, from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m., the draw need be opened only on the hour and half hour for the passage of pleasure craft. Public vessels of the United States, commercial vessels, and vessels in an emergency endangering life or property shall be passed at any time.

§ 117.1023 Pamunkey River.

(a) The draw of the Eltham Bridge (SR33/30), mile 1.0, located in West Point, Virginia, shall open on signal; except that, the bridge need not open

for commercial crabbing and fishing vessels and recreational vessels on Mondays through Fridays, except Federal Holidays, from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m., 12 noon to 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., at all other times, the bridge will open for these vessels only on the hour, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

(b) Public vessels of the United States and vessels in an emergency involving danger to life or property shall be passed at any time.

[CGD05-94-072, 59 FR 46173, Sept. 7, 1994]

§ 117.1025 York River.

(a) The Coleman Memorial bridge, mile 7.0, at Yorktown, shall open on signal; except from 5 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays, the bridge shall remain closed to navigation.

(b) The bridge shall be opened at any time for vessels in an emergency which presents danger to life or property.

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§ 117.1031 Chehalis River.

The draw of the SR-101 highway bridge, mile 0.1, at Aberdeen, shall open on a signal of two short blasts followed by one prolonged blast from one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset, except that from 7:15 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays, the draw need not be opened for the passage of vessels of less than 5,000 gross tons. At all other times, the draw shall open on signal if at least one hour notice is given by marine radio, telephone, or other suitable means to the Washington Department of Transportation.

[CGD13 85-15, 51 FR 2394, 2395, Jan. 16, 1986, as amended by USCG-1998-3799, 63 FR 35527, June 30, 1998]

§ 117.1035 Columbia River.

(a) The term *drawtender*, as used in this section means the operator of the drawspan, whether that person may be a train crew member, maintenance per-

son, or an officially designated drawtender.

(b) The draw of the semi-automated Union Pacific railroad bridge (Kalan Bridge), mile 323.4, near Kennewick, Washington, is normally maintained in the fully open position with no drawtender in attendance. A radar beacon (RACON) is located at the center of the drawspan. The RACON operates only when the drawspan is fully open, by responding with the Morse letter "K" to X-band radar signals. When necessary to close the drawspan for the passage of a train or for maintenance, a drawtender shall be dispatched to operate the draw from either of the remote control stations located at the ends of the bridge. Operation of the bridge shall be as follows:

(1) The drawtender shall broadcast a radio message over Channel 16-VHF to all vessels in the vicinity that the Kalan Bridge will be closing in two minutes. If after two minutes no response is received, the drawtender shall broadcast a message over Channel 13-VHF that the Kalan Bridge is closing. Both messages shall be broadcast twice.

(2) Prior to activating the closing sequence the drawtender shall visually inspect the waterway for marine traffic approaching the bridge. The closing sequence shall not be activated until after marine traffic has cleared the bridge.

(3) When the closing sequence is activated, the following functions occur automatically: The RACON is deactivated, red strobe lights on the lift towers and on the channel piers start flashing, a downward pointing arrow consisting of amber colored lights is displayed from the center of the drawspan and a recorded message is broadcast over Channel 13-VHF advising that the Kalan Bridge is closed to river traffic. The radio message is repeated every five minutes, the red lights continue to flash and the downward pointing arrow is displayed, until the lift span returns to the up and locked position. At the end of the ten minutes, a horn sounds for 30 seconds, the span begins closing and the centerspan navigation lights turn from green to red. The horn sounds for 30 seconds at 10 minute intervals, until