

§ 117.383 Pend Oreille River.

The draw of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad bridge, mile 111.3 near Sand-point, need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

§ 117.385 Snake River.

The drawspan of the U.S. 12 bridge, mile 140.0, between Lewiston, Idaho, and Clarkston, Washington, operates as follows:

(a) The draw need not open for the passage of vessels except at these hours:

(1) From March 15 through November 15 at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 3 p.m., 7 p.m., and 9 p.m.

(2) From November 16 through March 14 at 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., and 3 p.m.

(b) Requests for openings shall be given to the Washington State Department of Transportation.

(1) Monday through Thursday of every week, except holidays, the draw shall open if at least two hours notice is given.

(2) Friday through Sunday of every week, except holidays, the draw shall open if notice is given by 5 p.m. of the preceding Wednesday.

(3) The draw shall open on holidays if notice is given by 5 p.m. two workdays, excluding Friday, preceding the holiday.

(4) The draw shall open at any time for the passage of vessels engaged in an emergency.

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§ 117.389 Calumet River.

The draws of the Conrail bridges, miles 1.4 and 1.5 at Chicago, operate as follows:

(a) The draws shall open on signal; except that, if either one of the bridges is inoperable because of equipment breakdown, the other bridge need not be opened.

(b) In addition to the signals prescribed in §117.15, the following special visual signals shall be used on the bridges:

(1) When the draw cannot be opened immediately, or is open and must be closed promptly, two red lights are flashed alternately.

(2) When the draw can be opened immediately, two amber lights are flashed alternately.

(3) When the draw is open for passage, two green lights are flashed alternately.

2. Section 117.391 is revised to read as follows:

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The draws of the bridges operated by the City of Chicago shall operate as follows:

(a) For commercial vessels:

(1) From April 1 through November 30—

(i) The draws of the bridges across the Chicago River from its mouth to the junction of the North and South Branches, across the South Branch from the junction to and including the Roosevelt Road, and the Kinzie and Ohio Street bridges across the North Branch shall open on signal; except that, from Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m., and 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., the draws need not be opened for the passage of commercial vessels.

(ii) The draws of the bridges across the North Branch of the Chicago River at Grand Avenue, the bridges across the North Branch of the Chicago River north of the Ohio Street bridge to and including North Halsted Street, and bridges across the South Branch of the Chicago River North of South Halsted Street to, but not including Roosevelt Road, shall open on signal; except that, from Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., the draws need not open for the passage of commercial vessels.

(iii) The draws of the bridges across the North Branch of the Chicago River north of North Halsted Street and the South Branch of the Chicago River south of South Halsted Street shall open on signal; except that, from Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. the draws need not be opened for the passage of commercial vessels.

(iv) Subject to the restrictions in paragraphs (a)(1)(i) through (a)(1)(iii) of this section, the draw of the Cermak Road bridge across the South Branch of the Chicago River, shall open on signal. The draws of the following bridges in Chicago shall open on signal if tended

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or within 30 minutes after notice is given to the City of Chicago Bridge Desk:

South Branch

Randolph Street
Washington Street
Madison Street
Monroe Street
Adams Street
Jackson Boulevard
Van Buren Street
Congress Street (Eisenhower Expressway)
Harrison Street
Roosevelt Road
Eighteenth Street
Canal Street
South Halsted Street
South Loomis Street

West Fork of the South Branch

South Ashland Avenue
South Damen Avenue

Chicago River, North Branch

Division Street
Grand Avenue
Chicago Avenue
North Halsted Street

(2) From December 1 through March 31, the draws of the highway bridges across the Chicago River, the North Branch of the Chicago River, and the South Branch of the Chicago River shall open on signal if at least 12 hours notice is given. However, the bridges need not open during those periods of time specified in paragraphs (a)(1)(i), (ii) and (iii) of this section.

(b) For recreational vessels:

(1) From April 1 through November 30—

(i) The draws shall be scheduled to open, before 1 p.m., twice on Saturdays and twice on Sundays if requests for passage have been received at least 20 hours in advance. If the bridges have been authorized to remain closed for portions of a Saturday or Sunday to accommodate special events, openings shall be scheduled after 1 p.m. as necessary to provide two openings per day.

(ii) The draws shall open on Monday and Friday, after 6:30 p.m. Each opening requires notice that has been given at least 6 hours in advance of a vessel's requested time of passage.

(iii) The draws shall open on Wednesdays at 10 a.m., or as soon thereafter as practical, if a request for passage has been given at least 20 hours in advance.

(iv) The draws shall open at times in addition to those listed in paragraphs (b)(1)(i) through (b)(1)(iii) of this section, after notice has been given at least 20 hours in advance requesting passage for a flotilla of at least five vessels. However, the bridges need not open during those periods of time specified in paragraphs (a)(1) (i), (ii) and (iii) of this section.

(2) From December 1 through March 31, the draws of the highway bridges across the Chicago River, the North Branch of the Chicago River, and the South Branch of the Chicago River need open on signal only if at least 48 hours notice is given. However, the bridges need not open during those periods of time specified in (a)(1) (i), (ii) and (iii) of this section.

(3) Paragraph (b) of this section applies to the following listed bridges:

Main Branch

Lake Shore Drive
Columbus Drive
Michigan Avenue
Wabash Avenue
State Street
Dearborn Street
Clark Street
LaSalle Street
Wells Street
Franklin-Orleans St.

South Branch

Lake Street
Randolph Street
Washington Street
Monroe Street
Madison Street
Adams Street
Jackson Boulevard
Van Buren Street
Eisenhower Expressway
Harrison Street
Roosevelt Road
18th Street
Canal Street
South Halsted Street
South Loomis Street
South Ashland Avenue

North Branch

Grand Avenue
Ohio Street
Chicago Avenue
N. Halsted St.

(c) The following bridges need not be opened for the passage of vessels: The draws of the North Avenue, Cortland Street, Webster Avenue, North Ashland Avenue, Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, and North Damen Avenue bridges across the North Branch of the Chicago River, and the draws of the N. Halsted St. bridge, the Division St. bridge and the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific Railroad bridge across the North Branch Canal.

(d) The opening signal for all Chicago River bridges is three short blasts or by shouting, except that four short blasts is the opening signal for the Chicago and Northwestern railroad bridge near Kinzie Street and the Milwaukee Road bridge near North Avenue and five short blasts is the opening signal for the Lake Shore bridge when approaching from the north.

(e) The emergency provisions of § 117.31 of this part apply to the passage of all vessels and the operation of all bridges on the Chicago River.

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§ 117.393 Illinois Waterway.

(a) The draw of the automated Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad bridge, mile 88.8 at Beardstown, Illinois, operates as follows:

(1) The draw is normally maintained in the fully open position, displaying a green light to indicate that vessels may pass.

(2) When a vessel is approaching and the draw is in the open position, contact shall be established by radiotelephone with the remote operator to assure that the draw remains open until passage is complete.

(3) When a vessel is approaching and the draw is in the closed position, contact shall be established by radiotelephone with the remote operator. If the draw cannot be opened immediately, alternate flashing red lights are displayed. If the draw can be opened immediately, flashing amber lights are displayed.

(4) When a train approaches the bridge and the draw is in the open position, the operator shall activate alternate flashing red lights on top of the draw, sound four short blasts, and scan the river on radar to determine whether any vessel is approaching the bridge. The remote operator shall also broadcast that the draw is closing. If a vessel or vessels are approaching the bridge within one mile, as determined by radar scanning, response to radio broadcast, or electronic detector, the flashing red lights shall be changed to flashing amber and the operator shall keep the draw in the fully open position until the vessel or vessels have cleared the bridge. If no vessel is approaching the bridge or is beneath the draw, the draw may be lowered and locked in place.

(5) After the train has cleared the bridge, the draw shall be raised to its full height and locked in place, the red flashing lights stopped, and the draw lights changed from red to green.

(b) The draw of the Union Pacific railroad bridge, Mile 151.2, at Pekin, Illinois, is operated by a remote operator located at the Union Pacific offices in Chicago, Illinois, as follows:

(1) The draw is normally maintained in the fully open position, displaying green mid-channel lights to indicate that the span is fully open.

(2) The draw is equipped with the following:

(i) A radiotelephone link direct to the remote operator;

(ii) A horn for sound signals;

(iii) Eight high intensity amber warning lights, oriented upstream and downstream, with two secured to the uppermost chord and two secured to the lowermost chord of the drawspan;

(iv) A radar antenna on the lower portion of the drawspan capable of scanning one mile upstream and one mile downstream; and

(v) Infrared scanners located on the upstream and downstream ends of the channel span piers, to detect vessels or other obstructions under the bridge.

(3) The remote operator shall maintain a radiotelephone watch for mariners to establish contact as they approach the bridge to ensure that the draw is open or that it remains open until passage is complete.