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Houston, and all drawbridges downstream of it, shall open on signal if at least 24 hours notice is given.

(b) The draws of the Union Pacific railroad bridge, mile 3.1, and the Houston Belt and Terminal railroad bridge, mile 4.3, need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

[CGD-8-89-11, 55 FR 2066, Jan. 22, 1990, as amended by CGD08-98-066, 63 FR 55030, Oct. 14, 1998]

§ 117.957 Cedar Bayou.

The draw of the Union Pacific railroad automated bridge, mile 7.0 at Baytown, operates as follows:

(a) The draw shall be maintained at a vertical clearance of 81.4 feet above mean high water. Fixed green navigation lights shall be displayed in the center of the draw.

(b) When a train approaches the bridge, the navigation lights shall be changed from green to red, alternating flashing red lights turned on, and a horn sounded for six minutes. At the end of six minutes, the draw may be lowered and locked if the scanning equipment does not detect any object under the span. If the scanning equipment detects an obstruction, the draw shall be raised until the obstruction is cleared.

(c) After a train has cleared the bridge, the draw shall be raised to 81.4 feet above mean high water, the flashing red lights stopped, and the navigation lights changed from red to green.

§ 117.959 Chocolate Bayou.

The draw of the Union Pacific railroad bridge, mile 11.4 at Liverpool, need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

§ 117.963 Colorado River.

The draw of the highway bridge, mile 10.7 at Wadsworth need open on signal Monday through Friday only, and then only from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. At least 48 hours notice is required.

[CGD8-90-22, 56 FR 488, Jan. 7, 1991]

§ 117.965 Cow Bayou.

The draws of the Orange County highway bridge, mile 2.9 at West Orange, and the S87 bridge, mile 4.5 at

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Bay City, shall open on signal if at least six hours notice is given.

§ 117.967 Greens Bayou.

The draw of the Port Terminal Railroad Association railroad bridge, mile 2.8 at Houston, shall open on signal if at least four hours notice is given. The draw shall open on signal for three hours thereafter for returning downbound vessels.

§ 117.968 Gulf Intracoastal Waterway.

The draw of the Port Isabel bridge, mile 666.0, shall open on signal; except that, from 5 a.m. to 8 p.m. on weekdays only, excluding holidays, the draw need open only on the hour for pleasure craft. The draw shall open on signal at any time for commercial vessels, for a vessel in distress, or for an emergency aboard a vessel. When the draw is open for a commercial vessel, waiting pleasure craft shall be passed.

[CGD8-90-10, 56 FR 14644, Apr. 11, 1991]

§ 117.969 Lavaca River.

The draws of the Union Pacific railroad bridge, mile 11.2, and the highway bridge, mile 11.2, both at Vanderbilt, shall open on signal if at least 48 hours notice is given. In emergencies, the draws shall open as soon as possible.

§ 117.971 Neches River.

(a) The draw of the Kansas City Southern automated bridge, mile 19.5, at Beaumont, is not constantly manned and is operated from a remote site in Shreveport, Louisiana. The bridge is normally maintained in the closed to navigation position, providing 13 feet of vertical clearance above mean high tide. This bridge will open on signal.

(1) Mariners may request a bridge opening at anytime via one of the following methods:

- (i) Telephone at 1-877-829-6295;
- (ii) Marine radio on VHF-FM Channel 16; or
- (iii) Proper sound signal as prescribed in §117.15.

(2) When signaling by sound, if return sound signal is not sent from the remote bridge operator, in compliance with §117.15, contact the remote operator via telephone or marine radio.

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(3) An audible warning siren will sound when the bridge is in motion. Video cameras will constantly monitor the waterway near and under the draw. Once a vessel has passed through the bridge, the draw will lower, provided the infrared "under bridge" presence detector and video cameras reveal nothing under the draw.

(b) The draw of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad bridge, mile 53.9 at Evadale, need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

[CGD 82-025, 49 FR 17452, Apr. 24, 1984, as amended by CGD 08-00-026, 65 FR 71059, Nov. 29, 2000]

§ 117.975 Old Brazos River.

The draw of the Union Pacific railroad bridge, mile 4.4 at Freeport, shall be maintained in the fully open position, except for the crossing of trains or for maintenance.

§ 117.977 Pelican Island Causeway, Galveston Channel.

The draw of the Pelican Island Causeway bridge, mile 356.1 across Galveston Channel at Galveston, shall open on signal; except that, from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., 12 noon to 1 p.m., and 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Monday through Friday except Federal holidays, the draw need not be opened for passage of vessels. Public vessels of the United States and vessels in distress shall be passed at any time.

[CGD08-94-024, 59 FR 42758, Aug. 19, 1994]

§ 117.979 Sabine Lake.

The draw of the S82 bridge, mile 10.0 at Port Arthur, shall open on signal; except that, from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., the draw shall open on signal if at least six hours notice is given to the Maintenance Construction Supervisor or the Maintenance Foreman at Port Arthur.

§ 117.981 Sabine River.

See § 117.493, Sabine River, listed under Louisiana.

[CGD 92-015, 57 FR 37880, Aug. 21, 1992]

§ 117.983 Sabine River (Old Channel) behind Orange Harbor Island.

The draw of the highway bridge, mile 9.5 at Orange, need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

[CGD 08-84-08, 50 FR 19527, May 9, 1985]

§ 117.984 San Bernard River.

The draw of the Union Pacific railroad bridge, mile 20.7 near Brazoria, shall open on signal; except that, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 10 p.m. to 2 a.m., the draw shall open on signal if at least three hours notice is given.

[CGD 08-84-14, 50 FR 15743, Apr. 22, 1985]

§ 117.987 Taylor Bayou.

The draws of the Union Pacific railroad bridge, mile 2.0, and the S73 bridge, mile 10.2, both at West Port Arthur, need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

§ 117.989 Trinity River.

The draws of the Union Pacific Railroad bridges, mile 41.4 at Liberty, mile 54.8 at Kenefick, mile 117.3 at Goodrich, mile 181.8 at Riverside, and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad bridge, mile 96.2 at Romayor, need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

[USCG-1998-3799, 63 FR 35527, June 30, 1998]

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§ 117.993 Lake Champlain.

(a) The draws of the bridges listed in this section shall open as soon as possible for the passage of public vessels of the United States and Vermont Fish and Game Department vessels.

(b) The draw of the US2 Bridge, mile 91.8, over Lake Champlain, between South Hero Island and North Hero Island, shall operate as follows:

(1) The draw shall open on signal on the hour and the half hour from May 15th through October 15th from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily.

(2) The draw shall open on signal from May 15th through October 15th from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. if at least four hours notice is given by calling the number posted at the bridge.