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issued to carry out the purposes of this subpart.

Subpart D—Security Zones

§ 165.30 Security zones.

(a) A security zone is an area of land, water, or land and water which is so designated by the Captain of the Port or District Commander for such time as is necessary to prevent damage or injury to any vessel or waterfront facility, to safeguard ports, harbors, territories, or waters of the United States or to secure the observance of the rights and obligations of the United States.

(b) The purpose of a security zone is to safeguard from destruction, loss, or injury from sabotage or other subversive acts, accidents, or other causes of a similar nature:

- (1) Vessels,
- (2) Harbors,
- (3) Ports, and
- (4) Waterfront facilities:

in the United States and all territory and water, continental or insular, that is subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

§ 165.33 General regulations.

Unless otherwise provided in the special regulations in Subpart F of this part:

- (a) No person or vessel may enter or remain in a security zone without the permission of the Captain of the Port;
- (b) Each person and vessel in a security zone shall obey any direction or order of the Captain of the Port;
- (c) The Captain of the Port may take possession and control of any vessel in the security zone;
- (d) The Captain of the Port may remove any person, vessel, article, or thing from a security zone;
- (e) No person may board, or take or place any article or thing on board, any vessel in a security zone without the permission of the Captain of the Port; and
- (f) No person may take or place any article or thing upon any waterfront facility in a security zone without the permission of the Captain of the Port.

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Subpart E—Restricted Waterfront Areas

§ 165.40 Restricted waterfront areas.

The Commandant, may direct the COTP to prevent access to waterfront facilities, and port and harbor areas, including vessels and harbor craft therein. This section may apply to persons who do not possess the credentials outlined in §125.09 of this chapter when certain shipping activities are conducted that are outlined in §125.15 of this chapter.

Subpart F—Specific Regulated Navigation Areas and Limited Access Areas

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§ 165.100 Regulated Navigation Area: Navigable waters within the First Coast Guard District.

(a) *Regulated navigation area.* All navigable waters of the United States, as that term is used in 33 CFR 2.05–25(a), within the geographic boundaries of the First Coast Guard District, as defined in 33 CFR 3.05–1(b).

(b) *Definitions.* Terms used in this section have the same meaning as those found in 33 CFR 157.03. Single-hull identifies any tank barge that is not a double-hull tank barge.

(c) *Applicability.* This section applies to primary towing vessels engaged in towing tank barges carrying petroleum oil in bulk as cargo in the regulated navigation area, or as authorized by the District Commander.

(d) *Regulations—(1) Positive control for barges.* (i) Except as provided in paragraph (d)(1)(iii) of this section, each single-hull tank barge, unless being towed by a primary towing vessel with twin-screw propulsion and with a separate system for power to each screw, must be accompanied by an escort or assist tug of sufficient capability to promptly push or tow the tank barge away from danger of grounding or collision in the event of—

- (A) A propulsion failure;
- (B) A parted towing line;
- (C) A loss of tow;
- (D) A fire;
- (E) Grounding;
- (F) A loss of steering; or

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(G) Any other casualty that affects the navigation or seaworthiness of either vessel.

(ii) Double-hull tank barges are exempt from paragraph (d)(1)(i) of this section.

(iii) The cognizant Captain of the Port (COTP), upon written application, may authorize an exemption from the requirements of paragraph (d)(1)(i) of this section for—

(A) Any tank barge with a capacity of less than 25,000 barrels, operating in an area with limited depth or width such as a creek or small river; or

(B) Any tank barge operating on any waters within the COTP Zone, if the operator demonstrates to the satisfaction of the COTP that the barge employs an equivalent level of safety to that provided by the positive control provisions of this section. Each request for an exemption under this paragraph must be submitted in writing to the cognizant COTP no later than 7 days before the intended transit.

(iv) The operator of a towing vessel engaged in towing any tank barge must immediately call for an escort or assist tug to render assistance in the event of any of the occurrences identified in paragraph (d)(1)(i) of this section.

(2) *Enhanced communications.* Each vessel engaged in towing a tank barge must communicate by radio on marine band or Very High Frequency (VHF) channel 13 or 16, and issue *secrité* calls on marine band or VHF channel 13 or 16, upon approach to the following places:

(i) Execution Rocks Light (USCG Light List No. [LLNR] 21440).

(ii) Matinecock Point Shoal Buoy (LLNR 21420).

(iii) 32A Buoy (LLNR 21380).

(iv) Cable and Anchor Reef Buoy (LLNR 21330).

(v) Stratford Middle Ground Light (LLNR 21260).

(vi) Old Field Point Light (LLNR 21275).

(vii) Approach to Stratford Point from the south (NOAA Chart 12370).

(viii) Falkner Island Light (LLNR 21170).

(ix) TE Buoy (LLNR 21160).

(x) CF Buoy (LLNR 21140).

(xi) PI Buoy (LLNR 21080).

(xii) Race Rock Light (LLNR 19815).

(xiii) Valiant Rock Buoy (LLNR 19825).

(xiv) Approach to Point Judith in vicinity of Block Island ferry route.

(xv) Buzzards Bay Entrance Light (LLNR 630).

(xvi) Buzzards Bay Midchannel Lighted Buoy (LLNR 16055)

(xvii) Cleveland East Ledge Light (LLNR 16085).

(xviii) Hog Island buoys 1 (LLNR 16130) and 2 (LLNR 16135).

(xix) Approach to the Bourne Bridge.

(xx) Approach to the Sagamore Bridge.

(xxi) Approach to the eastern entrance of Cape Cod Canal.

(3) *Voyage planning.* (i) Each owner or operator of a towing vessel employed to tow a tank barge shall prepare a written voyage plan for each transit of the tank barge.

(ii) The watch officer is authorized to make modifications to the plan and validate it as necessary.

(iii) Except as provided in paragraph (d)(3)(iv) of this section, each voyage plan must contain:

(A) A description of the type, volume, and grade of cargo.

(B) Applicable information from nautical charts and publications, including Coast Pilot, Coast Guard Light List, and Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, for the destination(s).

(C) Current and forecasted weather, including visibility, wind, and sea state for the destination(s).

(D) Data on tides and tidal currents for the destination(s).

(E) Forward and after drafts of the tank barge, and under-keel and vertical clearances for each port and berthing area.

(F) Pre-departure checklists.

(G) Calculated speed and estimated times of arrival at proposed waypoints.

(H) Communication contacts at Vessel Traffic Service (VTS) (if applicable), bridges, and facilities, and port-specific requirements for VHF radio.

(I) The master's standing orders detailing closest points of approach, special conditions, and critical maneuvers.

(iv) Each owner or operator of a tank barge on an intra-port transit of not more than four hours may prepare a voyage plan that contains:

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(A) The information described in paragraphs (d)(3)(iii)(D) and (E) of this section.

(B) Current weather conditions including visibility, wind, and sea state. This information may be entered in either the voyage plan or towing vessel's log book.

(C) The channels of VHF radio to monitor.

(D) Other considerations such as availability of pilot, assist tug, berth, and line-handlers, depth of berth at mean low water, danger areas, and security calls.

(4) *Navigation restriction areas.* Unless authorized by the cognizant COTP, no tank barge may operate in—

(i) The waters of Cape Cod Bay south of latitude 42°5' North and east of longitude 70°25' West; or

(ii) The waters of Fishers Island Sound east of longitude 72°2' West, and west of longitude 71°55' West.

(e) In addition to the authority for this part 165, this section is also authorized under authority of section 311, Pub. L. 105-383.

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§ 165.101 **Kittery, Maine—regulated navigation area.**

(a) The following is a regulated navigation area—Waters within the boundaries of a line beginning at 43°04' 50"N, 70°44' 52"W; then to 43°04' 52"N, 70°44' 53"W; then to 43°04' 59"N, 70°44' 46"W; then to 43°05' 05"N, 70°44' 32"W; then to 43°05' 03"N, 70°44' 30"W; then to the beginning point.

(b) *Regulations*—No vessel may operate in this area at a speed in excess of five miles per hour.

§ 165.102 **Security Zone: Walkers Point, Kennebunkport ME.**

(a) *Location.* The following area is a security zone: From point of land located on Cape Arundel at latitude 43°20.4' North, longitude 070°28.0' West; thence to a point approximately 500 yards southwest of Walkers Point located at latitude 43°20.2' North, longitude 070°27.9' West; thence to a point located approximately 500 yards south of Walkers Point at latitude 43°20.1'

North, longitude 070°27.6' West; thence to a point located approximately southeast of Walkers Point at latitude 43°20.4' North, longitude 070°27.2' West; thence to an unnamed point of land located at 43°20.9' North, longitude 070°27.1' West; thence along the shoreline of Walkers Point to the beginning point. The aforementioned offshore positions are approximated by white buoys marked in orange indicating an exclusionary area.

(b) *Regulations.* (1) In accordance with the general regulations in §165.33 of this part, entry into this zone is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port, Portland, Maine. Section 165.33 also contained other general requirements.

(2) No person may swim upon or below the surface of the water within the boundaries of this security zone.

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§ 165.103 **Safety Zone: Portsmouth Harbor, Portsmouth, New Hampshire.**

(a) The following areas are established as safety zones during the specified conditions:

(1) For all inbound tank vessels carrying Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG), the waters bounded by the limits of the Piscataqua River Channel and extending 1000 yards ahead and 500 yards astern of an LPG tanker while the vessel transits Bigelow Bight, Portsmouth Harbor and the Piscataqua River to the LPG receiving facility at Newington, New Hampshire. This safety zone remains in effect until the LPG carrier is safely moored at the LPG receiving facility on the Piscataqua River.

(2) For all outbound tank vessels carrying LPG, the waters bounded by the limits of the Piscataqua River Channel and extending 1000 yards ahead and 500 yards astern of an LPG tanker while the vessel departs the LPG facility and transits the Piscataqua River, Portsmouth Harbor and Bigelow Bight. This safety zone remains in effect until the LPG carrier passes Gunboat Shoal Lighted Bell Buoy "1" (LLNR 185) located in Bigelow Bight.

(b) The general regulations governing safety zones contained in 33 CFR 165.23 apply.

(c) The Captain of the Port will notify the maritime community and local