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MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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Update to Delaware Bay and Atlantic Ocean Safety Zones - Navy Exercise

To mitigate the risks associated with the Navy exercise, the Captain of the Port, Sector Delaware Bay will enforce temporary safety zones in Delaware Bay and the North Atlantic Ocean near Cape May, New Jersey. All of the safety zones will be effective and enforced from October 16, 2014 to October 24, 2014 from 6:00AM to 8:00PM each day. The safety zones will encompass two areas within Delaware Bay and one area in the North Atlantic Ocean.

The first safety zone will encompass all waters of the Delaware Bay, bounded by a line connecting the following points; latitude 38°54'10"N, longitude 075°03'12"W thence north to latitude 39°02'24"N, longitude 075°02'38"W thence east to latitude 39°02'24"N, longitude 075°01'42"W thence southeast to latitude 38°54'22"N, longitude 075°02'18"W thence west to point of origin.

The second safety zone will encompass all waters of the Delaware Bay bounded by a line connecting the following points; latitude 38°54'17"N, longitude 075°07'50"W thence northwest to latitude 39°04'06"N, longitude 075°13'54"W thence northeast to latitude 39°04'39"N, longitude 075°12'39"W thence southeast to latitude 38°55'04"N, longitude 075°06'38"W thence southwest to point of origin.

The third safety zone will encompass a portion of the North Atlantic Ocean bounded by a line connecting the following points; latitude 38°49'57"N, longitude 074°47'41"W thence northeast to latitude 38°54'28"N, longitude 074°43'15"W thence southeast to latitude 38°54'11"N, longitude 074°42'45"W thence southwest to latitude 38°49'39"N, longitude 074°47'10"W thence northwest to point of origin, off the coast of Cape May, NJ.

Entry into, transiting, or anchoring within the safety zones is prohibited. Once operations are concluded, an informational broadcast will inform mariners that the safety zone is no longer being enforced. The operator of any vessel requesting access to the second safety zone is required to contact the USCG Waterways Management Representative at (267) 515-7294 no later than 4:00pm, one day prior to the day of desired access. A Coast Guard representative will contact the operators requesting access at approximately 7:00pm the same day of request to advise whether or not the operator may access the zone.

If you have any questions regarding the contents of this bulletin or the expectations of the COTP, please contact the Waterways Management staff at (215) 271-4814 or the Situation Unit Controller at (215) 271-4807.

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Alternate Captain of the Port, Delaware Bay