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NOTICE OF SAFETY ZONE ESTABLISHMENT BY ORDER OF THE CAPTAIN OF THE PORT PUGET SOUND, SEATTLE, WA

SITUATION: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone, Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 165.T13-095, on the waters of Commencement Bay, Washington State during the Tacoma Freedom Fair fireworks display. Entry into this temporary safety zone is prohibited for all vessels unless authorized by the Captain of the Port (COTP) Puget Sound or Designated Representative. This order is issued under the authority of the Ports and Waterways Safety Act, Title 33, U. S. Code, section 1221 *et. Seq.*, and the regulations issued thereunder, Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations Parts 165.

PHYSICAL BOUNDARIES: The following area is a safety zone: Commencement Bay, Tacoma, WA within an 800' radius centered around the fireworks barge launched at: 47-16°55"N and 122-27.59"W.

REASON FOR ISSUANCE: The Coast Guard is establishing this zone to protect vessels and spectators from aerial hazards associated with the Tacoma Freedom Fair's fireworks display.

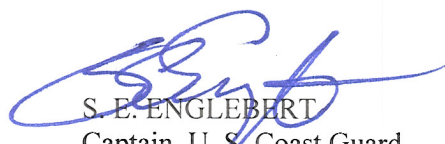
DURATION: This safety zone will be effective from 9:00 p.m. July 4, 2009 until 11:30 p.m. July 4, 2009, unless cancelled sooner by the COTP.

SPECIAL RULES: No vessel may enter, depart or transit this zone without prior authorization from the COTP or Designated Representative. Vessels and persons shall obey any direction or order issued by the COTP or Designated Representative. Vessels and persons ordered to depart this temporary safety zone by the COTP, or Designated Representative, must do so without delay.

REQUESTS TO ENTER THE ZONE: Vessels may not navigate within the safety zone without prior approval from the COTP or Designated Representative. All vessel operators desiring entry into this safety zone shall gain authorization by contacting either the on-scene U. S. Coast Guard patrol craft on VHF Ch 13 or Ch 16, or Coast Guard Vessel Traffic Service on VHF Ch 14 or via telephone at (206) 217-6152.

PENALTIES: The Ports and Waterways Safety Act prescribes that whoever violates an order issued under the act is liable to a civil penalty of not more than \$32,500 for each violation. Each day of continuing violation shall constitute a separate violation. If such a violation is willful, you are subject to a criminal penalty of not more than \$250,000 and/or six years imprisonment under federal law, 33 U.S.C. 1232.

APPEALS: Should you feel aggrieved by this safety zone, you may, under the procedures as prescribed in 33 CFR 160.7, appeal orally or in writing to the Commander, Thirteenth Coast Guard District, Jackson Federal Bldg., 915 Second Avenue, Seattle, WA 98174. However, if the initial appeal is made orally, a written submission is required within five days of the oral presentation. While any appeal request is pending all provisions of this safety zone remain in effect.


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