

Marine Safety Information Bulletin Sector Southeastern New England

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Marine Event Notification: The Ocean Race - Newport

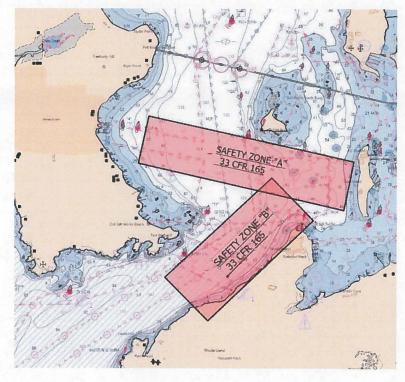
The Captain of the Port (COTP) Sector Southeastern New England is establishing a safety zone in the East Passage, Narragansett Bay, in conjunction with The Ocean Race - Newport, to ensure the protection of the maritime public and event participants from the hazards associated with this marine event. There are two potential safety zones, Zone A and Zone B. Only one of these safety zones will be enforced the day of the race. A broadcast notice to mariners beginning on May 19, 2023 will alert the public as to which safety zone that will be enforced on May 20, 2023, from noon until 5 p.m. Zones A and B encompass all navigable waters located within the following latitude and longitude points:

Zone A:

41.497N, 071.359W; 41.490N, 071.361W; 41.483N, 071.330W; 41.490N, 071.329W

Zone B:

41.473N, 071.356W; 41.467N, 071.350W; 41.482N, 071.335W; 41.488N, 071.341W



Entry into the safety zone by any person or vessel is prohibited unless otherwise authorized by the Captain of the Port (COTP) Sector Southeastern New England or designated Coast Guard Patrol Commander. If entry is authorized, all persons and vessels must obey any direction or order of the COTP or designated Coast Guard Patrol Commander. Commercial traffic is advised to use the West Passage, Narragansett Bay, during the timeframe that the safety zone is in effect.

The Ocean Race participating sailing vessels are scheduled to depart Narragansett Bay and Newport Harbor on May 21, 2023, at noon. Mariners are advised to proceed with caution and are requested to maintain 300-yards from the Ocean Race participating sailing vessels during their departure.

If you have any questions, concerns, or comments related to this bulletin, please email Sector Southeastern New England's Waterways Management Division at SENEWWM@uscg.mil or call (401) 435-2355.

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