

**§ 1204.1600 Issuance of motor vehicle for home-to-work.**

When a NASA employee on temporary duty travel is authorized to travel by Government motor vehicle and the official authorizing the travel determines that there will be a significant savings in time, a Government motor vehicle may be issued at the close of the preceding working day and taken to the employee's residence prior to the commencement of official travel. Similarly, when a NASA employee is scheduled to return from temporary duty travel after the close of working hours and the official authorizing the travel determines that there will be a significant savings in time, the motor vehicle may be taken to the employee's residence and returned the next regular working day.

Dated: October 10, 2003.

**Sean O'Keefe,**  
*Administrator.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY****Coast Guard****33 CFR Part 117****Drawbridge Operation Regulations***CFR Correction*

In Title 33 of the Code of Federal Regulations, parts 1 to 124, revised as of July 1, 2003, on page 603, § 117.869 is corrected by removing paragraphs (a)(1) and (2).

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY****Coast Guard****33 CFR Part 117****[CGD01-03-101]****Drawbridge Operation Regulations: Mianus River, CT**

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

**SUMMARY:** The Commander, First Coast Guard District, has issued a temporary deviation from the drawbridge operation regulations for the Metro-North Bridge, mile 1.0, across the Mianus River at

Greenwich, Connecticut. Under this temporary deviation, the bridge may remain in the closed position, Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m. on October 20, 2003 through 7 p.m. on November 26, 2003. On Saturdays during this period, the draw shall open after at a least three-hour advance notice is given. In addition, the draw shall open on signal on Sundays during this period, and from 5 p.m. through midnight, on Friday, October 31, 2003. This temporary deviation is necessary to facilitate structural repairs at the bridge and the bridge.

**DATES:** This deviation is effective from October 20, 2003 through November 26, 2003.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Joseph Schmied, Project Officer, First Coast Guard District, at (212) 668-7165.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Metro-North Bridge has a vertical clearance in the closed position of 20 feet at mean high water and 27 feet at mean low water. The existing drawbridge operation regulations are listed at 33 CFR 117.209.

The bridge owner, Metro-North Railroad, requested a temporary deviation from the drawbridge operation regulations to facilitate vital structural maintenance at the bridge. The bridge must remain in the closed position to perform these necessary repairs.

Under this temporary deviation, the Metro-North Bridge may remain in the closed position, Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m. on October 20, 2003 through 7 p.m. on November 26, 2003. On Saturdays during this period, the draw shall open on signal after at least a three-hour advance notice is given. Also, the draw shall open on signal on Sundays during this period and from 5 p.m. through midnight, on Friday, October 31, 2003.

The Coast Guard and the bridge owner coordinated this bridge closure with the mariners who normally use this waterway to help facilitate this necessary bridge repair and to minimize any disruption to the marine transportation system.

This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35(a), and will be performed with all due speed in order to return the bridge to normal operation as soon as possible.

Dated: October 15, 2003.

**Vivien S. Crea,**  
*Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, First Coast Guard District.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY****Coast Guard****33 CFR Part 117****[CGD08-03-035]****RIN 1625-AA09****Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Mississippi River, Iowa and Illinois**

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Temporary final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District, is temporarily changing the regulation governing the Clinton Railroad Drawbridge, Mile 518.0, Upper Mississippi River. From December 15, 2003, until March 15, 2004, the drawbridge shall open on signal if at least 24 hours advance notice is given. This temporary rule is issued to facilitate annual maintenance and repair on the bridge.

**DATES:** This temporary rule is effective from 12:01 a.m. December 15, 2003 until 9 a.m. on March 15, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Documents referred to in this rule are available for inspection or copying at room 2.107f in the Robert A. Young Federal Building at Eighth Coast Guard District, Bridge Branch, 1222 Spruce Street, St. Louis, MO 63103-2832, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (314) 539-3900, extension 2378. The Bridge Branch maintains the public docket for this rulemaking.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Roger K. Wiebusch, Bridge Administrator, (314) 539-3900, extension 2378.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Good Cause for Not Publishing an NPRM**

We did not publish a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) for this regulation. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing an NPRM. This rule is being promulgated without an NPRM because the limited effect on vessel traffic makes notice and comment unnecessary. Maintenance on the bridge will not begin until after the closure of Lock 22 on the Mississippi River. After that time, only commercial vessels left in the pool above Lock 22 will be able to transit through the bridge. Both the bridge and lock closure recur at the same time each year, and local vessel operators plan for the closures in advance. Prompt publication of this rule is also necessary to protect the public