

side of the mouth of the Miami River to 25°46.297'N, 080°11.098'W; thence, northerly along the shoreline northeasterly tip of the entrance to Bayside Marina at 25°46.742'N, 080°11.020'W; thence, northwesterly to a point near the west entrance to the Dodge Island Bridge 25°46.786'N, 080°11.113'W; thence, northerly along the shoreline to a point that intersects the MacArthur Causeway Bridge at 25°47.216'N, 080°11.127'W; thence, easterly to a point near the northwestern shore of Watson Island 25°47.241'N, 080°10.760'W; thence, southeasterly along the shoreline to a point near the southeastern tip of Terminal Island 25°46.166'N, 080°08.759'W; thence, southeasterly back to the original point 25°45.869'N, 080°08.311'W.

(2) *Security zone; Intercontinental Hotel.* All waters of the Port of Miami, from surface to bottom, adjacent to the Intercontinental Hotel, encompassed by a line commencing from the south Princessa Dock at 25°46.520'N, 080°11.100'W at Bayfront Park; thence, southerly along the shoreline to a point approximately 30 yards southeast of the Intercontinental Hotel at 25°46.290'N, 080°11.100'W; thence, westerly along the shoreline to a point 50 yards southwest of the Intercontinental Hotel at 25°46.210'N, 080°11.300'W; thence, northeasterly to a point in mid-channel at 25°46.348'N, 080°11.017'W; thence, north along the channel to a point 25°46.515'N, 080°11.019'W; thence, northwesterly back to the original point. All coordinates reference Datum NAD: 1983.

(3) *Security zone; American Airlines Arena.* All waters of the Port of Miami, from surface to bottom, adjacent to the American Airlines Arena, and within the American Airlines Arena Basin, encompassed by a line commencing from the shore at 25°47.02'N, 080°11.12'W; thence, east to turning basin marker "D" at 25°47.02'N, 80°11.09'W; thence, southeasterly to turning basin marker "E" at 25°46.91'N, 080°11.00'W; thence, southeasterly to the tip of the west side fendering system at 25°46.78'N, 080°10.92'W for the Dodge Island Bridge at the Intracoastal Waterway; thence, westerly along the north side of the Dodge Island Bridge to where the bridge intersects the land at American Airlines Arena; thence, northwesterly along the shoreline, including all waters from shore to shore within the American Airlines Arena Basin; thence, to 25°47.02', 080°11.12'W back to the original point. All coordinates reference Datum NAD: 1983.

(b) *Definitions.* The following definitions apply to this section:

Designated Representatives. Coast Guard Patrol Commanders including Coast Guard coxswains, petty officers and other officers operating Coast Guard vessels, and federal, state, and local officers designated by or assisting the Commander, Seventh Coast Guard District, the Captain of the Port of Miami and the Coast Guard Maritime Operations Center (MOC) to regulate the movement of vessels within the RNA and restrict vessels and persons from entering the security zones.

Personal watercraft. A vessel, less than 16 feet in length, which uses an inboard, internal combustion engine powering a water jet pump as its primary source of propulsion. The vessel is intended to be operated by a person or persons sitting, standing or kneeling on the vessel, rather than within the confines of the hull. The length is measured from end to end over the deck excluding sheer, meaning a straight line measurement of the overall length from the foremost part of the vessel to the aftermost part of the vessel, measured parallel to the centerline. Bowsprits, bumpkins, rudders, outboard motor brackets, and similar fittings or attachments, are not included in the measurement. Length is stated in feet and inches.

Rigid hull inflatable boat. A vessel that has an inflatable fabric or rubber collar or a foam collar surrounding the hull of the vessel. The collar is normally joined to a fiberglass hull on larger models or a fabric hull on smaller models. Fabric hulls are often also themselves inflatable, or have an inflatable keel and sometimes have a soft floor or reinforced floor slated with wood or other rigid materials.

Slow speed. The speed at which a vessel proceeds when it is fully off plane, completely settled in the water and not creating excessive wake. Due to the different speeds at which vessels of different sizes and configurations may travel while in compliance with this definition, no specific speed is assigned to slow speed. In no instance should slow speed be interpreted as a speed less than that required to maintain steerageway. A vessel is not proceeding at slow speed if it is:

- (1) On a plane;
 - (2) In the process of coming up onto or coming off a plane; or
 - (3) Creating an excessive wake.
- (c) *Regulations.* (1) *Regulated navigation area.* The regulations in this paragraph apply to the area in paragraph (a)(1) of this section.

(i) Vessels less than 100 feet entering and transiting through the regulated navigation area shall proceed continuously and at a slow speed. In no

instance should slow speed be interpreted as a speed less than that required to maintain steerageway. Nothing in this rule alleviates vessels or operators from complying with all state and local laws in the area, including manatee slow speed zones.

(ii) All vessels shall comply with orders from the Coast Guard Marine Operations Center (MOC), or the MOC's designated representatives, regulating their speed, course, direction and movements within the RNA. All vessels greater than 100 feet shall check in with the MOC prior to entering or transiting via VHF Channel 12. It is recommended that all other vessels check in with the Coast Guard MOC via VHF channel 12 prior to entering or transiting the RNA.

(iii) No personal watercraft, except those operated by law enforcement officers, are permitted to operate within the RNA.

(iv) No Rigid Hull Inflatable Boats, except those operated by licensed commercial salvors and law enforcement officers, are permitted to operate within the RNA.

(2) *Security zones.* The regulations in this paragraph apply to the zones in paragraph (a)(2) and (a)(3) of this section. Entry into or remaining within the security zones is prohibited unless authorized by the Coast Guard Captain of the Port, Miami, Florida or the Officer in Charge of the Coast Guard Maritime Operations Center (MOC) or that officer's designated representatives. Persons desiring to enter or transit the areas encompassed by the security zones may contact the Coast Guard Maritime Operations Center on VHF channel 12 or via telephone at (305) 535-8701 to seek permission to enter or transit the area. If permission is granted, all persons and vessels must comply with the instructions of the Captain of the Port or the Officer in Charge of the Coast Guard Maritime Operations Center (MOC) or that officer's designated representatives.

(d) *Effective period.* This section is effective from 12:01 a.m. on November 16, 2003, until 11:59 p.m. on November 21, 2003.

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