

Publication - National Ocean Service - U.S. Coast Pilot 5, covers the Gulf of Mexico from Key West, FL to the Rio Grande. This area is generally low and mostly sandy, presenting no marked natural features to the mariner approaching from seaward. Coast Pilot 5 also covers Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands., 2012 (40th) Edition.

## Corrections

### Chapter 2, Paragraph 3285 through Paragraph 3285.09, read:

(3285) (f) Notice of enforcement. The COTP will notify the maritime community of periods during which this regulated navigation area will be enforced by providing advance notice thorough a Marine Safety Information Bulletin and Safety Broadcast Notice to Mariners.

### **§165.839 Safety Zone; Large Cruise Ships; Lower Mississippi River, Southwest Pass Sea Buoy to Mile Marker 96.0, New Orleans, LA.**

(3285.01) (a) Location. Within the Lower Mississippi River and Southwest Pass, moving safety zones are established around all large cruise ships transiting between the Southwest Pass Entrance Lighted Buoy "SW", at approximate position 28°52'42"N, 89°25'54"W [NAD 83] and Lower Mississippi River mile marker 96.0 in New Orleans, Louisiana. The moving safety zone extends bank to bank, encompassing all waters one-mile ahead and one-mile astern of a large cruise ship. The zone remains in effect during the entire transit of the large cruise ship.

(3285.02) (b) Definitions. As used in this section the term "large cruise ship" is defined as a vessel over 100 feet in length, carrying more than 500 passengers for hire, making a voyage lasting more than 24 hours, any part of which is on the high seas, and for which passengers are embarked or disembarked in the United States or its territories.

(3285.03) (c) Regulations. (1) In accordance with the general regulations in 33 CFR Part 165, Subpart C, no person or vessel may enter or remain in the Safety Zone except for vessels authorized by the Captain of the Port or Designated Representatives, except as provided for in paragraph (c)(3) of this section.

(3285.04) (2) For this section the Pilot directing the movement of the large cruise ship under the authority of the master has the authority to allow other vessels to enter the safety zone when necessary.

(3285.05) (3) All vessels are prohibited from entering this safety zone unless authorized as follows:

(3285.06) (i) Vessels that have made suitable passing or overtaking arrangements with the pilot onboard the large cruise ship may enter into this safety zone in accordance with those agreed upon arrangements.

(3285.07) (ii) Moored vessels or vessels anchored in a designated anchorage area may remain in their current moored or anchored position while the large cruise ship transits the area.

(3285.08) (iii) Barge Fleets or vessels working a fleet may continue their current operations while the large cruise ship transits the area.

(3285.09) (4) Vessels requiring a deviation from this rule must request permission from the Captain of the Port New Orleans. The Captain of the Port New Orleans may be contacted at 504-365-2210.

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### Chapter 4, Paragraph 230, read:

(230) **Matanzas (Estero) Pass** opens into the SE end of San Carlos Bay, 2.5 miles from Sanibel Island Light. Small vessels can find secure anchorage just inside the pass. A dredged channel, marked by lights and daybeacons, leads from San Carlos Bay through Matanzas Pass to a turning basin off the shrimp terminals on San Carlos Island. The entrance channel navigational aids were relocated to mark the best water due to severe shoaling. In 2012, the controlling depth was 9 feet to about 26°27'54"N., 81°58'10"W., thence 10 feet at midchannel to the State Route 865 fixed bridge, thence 5.5 feet to the turning basin with 7 feet in the basin; local knowledge is advised.

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