OpSail2000®
HAMPTON ROADS, VIRGINIA

Thursday, June 15th, 2000
Tall Ships at Anchorage

The tall ships will be arriving all day on June 15th and anchoring at Lynnhaven Roads. There will be 30-40 tall ships anchored in this area by 6:00 P.M. The Coast Guard will be enforcing a boater speed limit of 6 knots all day Thursday and on Friday morning. There will be heavy boater traffic, so please stay alert and follow the nautical rules of the road.

Friday, June 16th, 2000
Arrival Parade of Sail

At 7:00 A.M. on Friday, the Parade of Sail will officially begin. The tall ships will leave the anchorage area at Lynnhaven Roads and head West in the Thimble Shoal Channel. In the Chesapeake Bay, boaters will be allowed to move alongside the parade, outside of the secured channel. Because of the large number of spectator watercraft anticipated, waterborne traffic will essentially come to a halt from the Hampton Roads Bridge tunnel to beyond downtown Norfolk and Portsmouth. The Coast Guard will restrict the waterway from 8:00 A.M. until approximately 5:00 P.M. Boaters will not be allowed to enter restricted anchorage areas shown on the adjacent chartlet beginning on Thursday, June 15th. The unregulated areas shown on the chartlet are open for parade viewing. (Caution: check your navigational chart for underwater obstructions before anchoring.) The tall ships will be berthing in Downtown Norfolk, Portsmouth, Hampton and in Chesapeake near Great Bridge.

Saturday - Monday, June 17th - 19th, 2000
Tall Ships Berthed

There will be a large fireworks show between the downtown Norfolk and Portsmouth waterfronts Saturday evening. The river will be closed in this vicinity from approximately 9:00 P.M. to 10:30 P.M. There are no other scheduled closures for the remainder of the weekend.

Tuesday, June 20th, 2000
Tall Ships Depart

For boater updates, visit our website, www.opsailvirginia.com. For up to the minute information during the event, stay tuned to WAVY TV-10 and WNIS radio 790, our official boater information stations.

NEXTEL 10 WNIS 790AM NEWSRADIO

Parade of Sail Arrival
Friday, June 16th, 2000

KEY

- (CP) Control Point
- unregulated, first come first served
- restricted area, no access
- restricted anchorage

This chart is for illustrative purposes only. A complete copy of the proposed rule making can be obtained by contacting OpSail 2000 Hampton Roads, 120 West Main Street, Norfolk, VA 23510. (757) 441-2940.

REGULATIONS FOR VESSELS

The following is a summary of the regulations that will in force during OpSail 2000® Hampton Roads. The nplete Federal Rule can be accessed at: w.uscg.mil/d5/mso/hamptonroads/opsail.htm, or ained from OpSail 2000® Hampton Roads, 120 West in Street, Norfolk, VA 23510, (757) 441-2940.

OpSail is expected to draw approximately 10,000 spec- or vessels to the waters of Hampton Roads. The Parade Sail is scheduled to begin at 0700 on June 16, 2000. e parade vessels will weigh anchor at Lynnhaven chorage and will enter the Thimble Shoal Channel ween Thimble Shoal Lighted Bell Buoy 1TS and imble Shoal Lighted Buoy 3 and proceed along the ade route. The parade route includes: Thimble Shoal annel, Norfolk Harbor Entrance Reach, Norfolk Harbor ach, Craney Island Reach, Lambert Bend, Port Norfolk ach and Town Point Reach. The larger OpSail vessels l be berthed in the vicinity of the respective downtown rfolk and Portsmouth waterfronts as they complete the ade route. The smaller OpSail vessels will proceed past wn Point Park to the vicinity of the Norfolk Naval ipyard to avoid interfering with the docking of the larg- vessels. Once all the larger vessels have been docked, smaller vessels will proceed to their assigned berths at wn Point Park. For safety reasons spectator vessels will kept at a safe distance from the parade route during se vessel movements. The Coast Guard will establish ety zones to close the parade route and restrict specta- and commercial vessels from designated areas for the ration of the Parade of Sail.

In addition to closing the parade route at 0800, the ast Guard will establish spectator Vessel Traffic Control ints along the route to control the flow of traffic imme- tely prior to and during the parade. The ELIZABETH VER from the HAMPTON ROADS BRIDGE TUNNEL to NAVAL SHIPYARD will be CLOSED until approximate- 5:00 P.M.

The Coast Guard will temporarily modify the existing chorage regulations to accommodate OpSail and spec- or vessels. No vessels will be allowed to anchor in chorage E, Anchorage P or Anchorage F without per- ssion of the Captain of the Port, and Berth K-1 of chorage K will be closed to all vessels except large spec- or vessels (vessels with 50 passengers or more).

No person or vessel may enter or navigate within these gulated areas unless authorized to do so by the Captain the Port. The Coast Guard vessels enforcing these reg- tions can be contacted on VHF Marine Band Radio annels 13 and 16. The Captain of the Port will notify public of changes in the status of these regulations by rine Safety Radio Broadcast on VHF Marine Band dio, Channel 22 (157.1 MHz).

Q. How does this affect me as a recreational or commercial boater?

A. All vessel traffic during the Parade of Sail day (June 16, 2000) will be restricted in one form or another. The channel from Lynnhaven to Old Point Comfort will be closed from 7:00 A.M. until approximately 1:00 P.M., or until the last parade vessel has passed.

A. The Elizabeth River will be closed from 8:00 A.M. until approximately 5:00 P.M.

Q. How should I plan for this?

A. Prepare to stay in one area for the duration of the event. If you are in the Elizabeth River you will not be able to transit the channel from 8:00 A.M. to approximately 5:00 P.M.

Q. If I stay out of the channel can I transit on either side of the channel?

A. No, there will be law enforcement vessels along the parade route to enforce control points.

Q. Why have the control points been established?

A. For the safety of the boating public. The large number of vessels that would normally follow a parade of this magnitude would be forced into the channel; thus causing multiple safety issues.

Recreational Boat Pumpout Service

Hampton Roads Sanitation District, the Virginia Health Department and Old Dominion University will be supporting OpSail with their Boater Education Program. Specially trained ODU students will be going to the spectator anchorages and all area docks during the entire festival period to educate recreational boaters about the proper disposal of the wastewater from their sanitary holding tanks. This education includes a FREE TANK PUMPOUT. You can schedule this service by calling 460-4253 and leaving the requested information, or you can hail the pumpout boat, the R/V Hampton Roads, on VHF channel 72. Please take advantage of this free service and join us as environmental stewards of the Bay. Always dispose of your wastewater properly – pump it, don't dump it!

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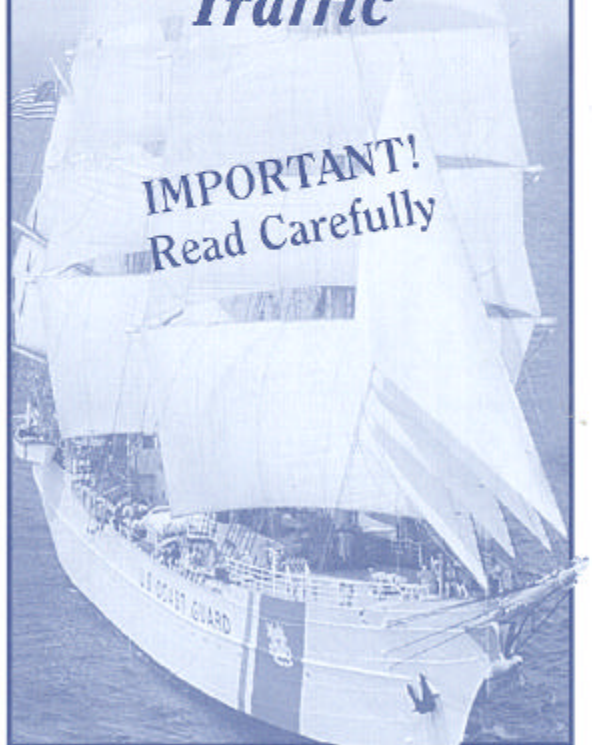
Rules and Regulations for Waterborne Traffic