



Marine Safety Unit Pittsburgh Waterways Information November 2023



Allegheny River**

Robert Clemente Bridge/Sixth Street Bridge (0.6):

A containment system is installed below low steel and follows the contour of the bridge. Vertical clearance is reduced **approximately 1-foot for the middle, 100 feet of the navigation span**. A work barge will be located outside of the navigation channel and will not affect navigation. Continuing until November 21, 2023, removal of the underdeck containment system across the navigation channel will be conducted. Work will be conducted during daylight hours, Monday through Saturday. Mariners are requested to provide 30-minutes advance notice of passage. The contractor may be contacted at (330) 440-3341, or (412) 287-4647. Mariners are advised to transit the bridge with extreme caution LNM 38-22

Ohio River**

Brunot Island Back Channel Helo Ops (2.5-3):

The Captain of the Port Pittsburgh advises all mariners of a helicopter operations in the back channel of Brunot Island, PA from 06 November 2023 through 10 November 2023. A full river safety zone will be in effect on the Ohio River from mile 2.5 to mile 3 from 8:00 a.m. until approximately 6:00 p.m. each day. Vessels will not be allowed to transit this area without the permission of the U.S Coast Guard or event organizer. Event organizers can be reached on channel 13 or at (305) 783-0373. The Coast Guard can be reached on VHF-FM Channel 16.

Pipe Replacement Operation (111.5)

Commencing October 12, 2023, and continuing until January 15, 2024, pipe replacement operations will be conducted along the right descending bank, in the vicinity of Mile 111.5. Mariners may contact the U.S. Coast Guard Sector Ohio Valley via VHF-FM Channel 16, for further information. Mariners are requested to transit the area at their slowest safe speed to minimize their wake and proceed with caution. LNM 39-23

Monongahela River**

None

***The information provided is for general informational purpose only and does not include everything in the Local Notice to Mariner. Please visit the weekly Local Notice to Mariner for the latest information.*

Upcoming Events**

-Burnot Island Back Channel Helo Ops (Safety Zone, Ohio River MM 2.5-3) on 06-12NOV23, 2-3DEC23, 8-22JAN24.

-Light Up Night Pittsburgh Firework (Safety zone, Allegheny River MM 0-1) on 18NOV23, 0830-1130.

***Information is subject to change. This is meant to be used as an aid.*

Areas of Interest



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-Trip Pilots: (46 CFR 16.210) Trip Pilots need to have a pre-employment chemical test for dangerous drug. An employee may waive the pre-employment test required if they can provide a passed chemical test within the previous six months.

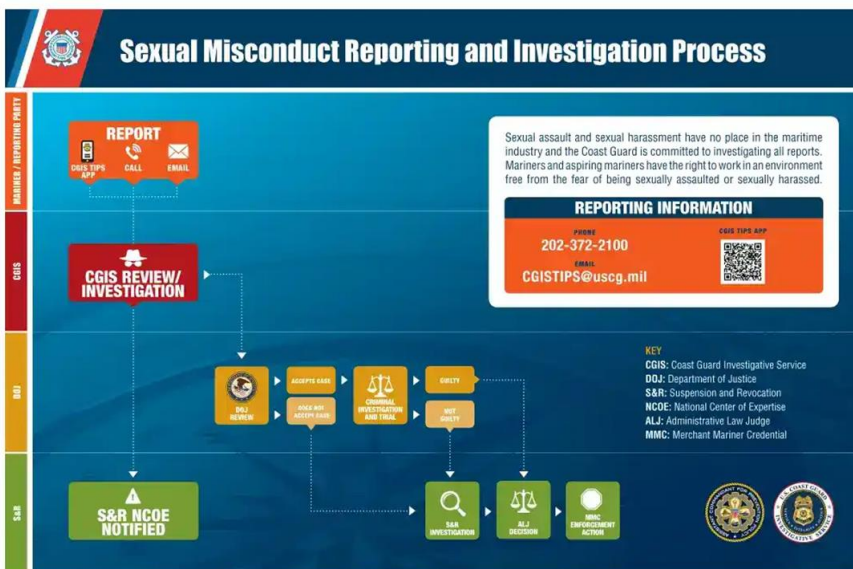
⦿ **§ 16.210 Pre-employment testing requirements.**

- (a) No marine employer shall engage or employ any individual to serve as a crewmember unless the individual passes a chemical test for dangerous drugs for that employer.
- (b) An employer may waive a pre-employment test required for a job applicant by paragraph (a) of this section if the individual provides satisfactory evidence that he or she has:
 - (1) Passed a chemical test for dangerous drugs, required by this part, within the previous six months with no subsequent positive drug tests during the remainder of the six-month period; or
 - (2) During the previous 185 days been subject to a random testing program required by § 16.230 for at least 60 days and did not fail or refuse to participate in a chemical test for dangerous drugs required by this part.

[CGD 90-053, 58 FR 31107, May 28, 1993, as amended by CGD 93-051, 59 FR 28792, June 3, 1994]

- Recent changes to the law now require the responsible entity of a vessel, defined as the owner, master, or managing operator, to report any complaint or incident of harassment, sexual harassment, or sexual assault to the Coast Guard that violates company policy. To help facilitate reporting, the Coast Guard has consolidated reporting for all types of sexual misconduct and established multiple reporting options as detailed in the below graphic.

Ways to report: CGIS Tips Apps, email (CGISTIPS@uscg.mil) , National Command Center (NCC) phone number at 202-372-2100.



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