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CSI Notice to Clients 06-2018

SUBJECT: USCG & NOAA TO INCLUDE NAVIGATION RULES IN U.S. COAST PILOT

To help mariners save time and money, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) have teamed up to incorporate the amalgamated International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea (72 COLREGS) and the Inland Navigation Rules into NOAA's U.S. Coast Pilot publications.

Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 83.01 (g) requires each self-propelled vessel of 12 meters or more in length, when operating in the navigable waters of the United States, to carry, on board and maintain for ready reference, a copy of these Rules. Under the Coast Guard's Navigation Safety Regulation, contained in Title 33 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 164.33 (2) (ii), a copy of the U.S. Coast Pilot for the area to be transited is also required to be on board. Henceforth, since the Rules will now be included in the U.S. Coast Pilot, a separate copy of the Rules is no longer required.

The Coast Pilot books are available to download for free. To access Coast Pilot, visit https://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/publications/coast-pilot/index.html. Hard copies of Coast Pilot can be purchased from any NOAA Certified Coast Pilot Distributer, and are up to date at the time of printing.

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