



**MARITIME SAFETY/SECURITY**  
**INFORMATION BULLETIN**  
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Coast Guard Marine Safety Office San Francisco Bay  
Department of Homeland Security

**San Francisco and Oakland International Airport Security Zones**

The Coast Guard Marine Safety Office San Francisco Bay is establishing two permanent security zones within the navigable waters of San Francisco Bay extending approximately 200 yards seaward from the shorelines of the Oakland International Airport and the San Francisco International Airport. The two security zones are designed to increase public safety and reduce the threat of sabotage or terrorist acts against these airports, while minimizing the impact to vessel traffic, fishing, windsurfing and other activities upon San Francisco Bay. Floating buoys mark each security zone, and entry into either security zone is prohibited unless specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port San Francisco Bay, or his designated representative.

All mariners in the vicinity are required to monitor 16 VHF-FM to ensure law enforcement vessels enforcing Coast Guard security zones are able to contact them via marine radio. Failure of a vessel operator who encroaches into a security zone to establish communications with law enforcement vessels present may result in immediate interdiction. Coast Guard security vessels are authorized to compel compliance, using force if necessary. Violation of a security zone is subject to imprisonment and/or civil penalty violations up to \$32,500 per violation.

For additional information, contact the 24-hour MSO Command Duty Officer at 415-399-3547.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gerald M. Swanson".

GERALD M. SWANSON

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard  
Captain of the Port / Federal Maritime Security Coordinator