



Marine Safety Information Bulletin

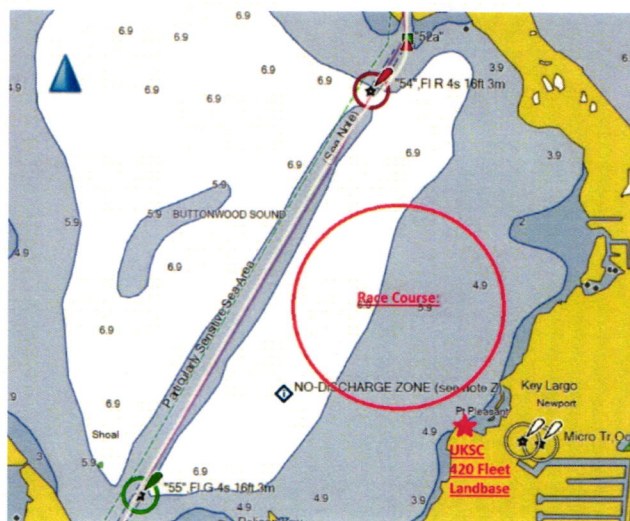
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U.S. COAST GUARD SECTOR KEY WEST REGULATED AREA

1. The 2025 Buccaneer Blast Sailing Regatta event will be held on February 1st and 2nd, 2025, on waters of the Florida Bay in the Buttonwood Sound and Blackwater Sound in Key Largo, FL. This event will consist of approximately 250 participants competing in various racecourses in the surrounding waters.
2. The Captain of the Port (COTP) Key West will enforce a temporary moving regulated area for this event. The regulated area encompasses all waters within 100 yards around the race participants and safety vessels during the Buccaneer Blast sailing regatta located in the Buttonwood Sound and Blackwater Sound in Key Largo, FL. The regulated area will be enforced daily from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on February 1, 2025, and February 2, 2025.
3. During the enforcement period, no person or vessel may enter, transit through, anchor, or remain within the regulated area without permission from the COTP or his designated representative. Mariners are advised to abide by all Navigation Rules and proceed with caution in the vicinity of the course and event participants.
4. A succession of not less than five short whistle or horn blasts from a patrol vessel will be the signal for any non-event participating vessel to take immediate steps to avoid collision. Also, the display of a red distress flare from a patrol vessel will be a signal for any and all vessels, including event participants inside the regulated area, to stop immediately.
5. For more information on this event please contact Sector Key West at (305) 292-8727.



Sincerely,

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Alternate Captain of the Port