United States Coast Guard

Security Zones for Houston, Galveston, and Texas City.

The Captain of the Port Houston–Galveston has established Security Zones for certain locations within the Houston-Galveston area.

Recreational vessels and other unauthorized vessels/persons are excluded from these areas without the express permission of the Captain of the Port.

WARNING !
The following areas are off-limits:

Houston: The Houston Ship Channel and all associated turning basins, bounded by a line drawn between the Houston Ship Channel Light 132 (LLNR-24445) and Houston Ship Channel Light 1133 (LLNR-24450) (Just west of the USS Battleship TEXAS) west to the T & N Railroad Swing Bridge at the entrance to Buffalo Bayou, including all waters adjacent to the ship channel from shoreline to shoreline and the first 200 yards of connecting waterways.

Bayport: The Port of Bayport Ship Channel and Turning Basin containing all waters south of 29° 36.45' between the Bayport Ship Channel Light 9 (LLNR-23295) and the channel’s western-most point (NAD 1983).

Morgans Point: The Barbours Cut Ship Channel and Turning Basin containing all waters west of a line drawn between Junction Light “Barbours Cut” 29° 41.12’ N, 94° 59.12’ W (LLNR-23525), and Houston Ship Channel Light 91, 29° 41.00’ N, 94° 59.00’ W (LLNR-23375) (NAD 1983)

Texas City: The Port of Texas City Channel, Turning Basin and Industrial Canal containing all waters bounded by the area south and west of a line drawn between Texas City Channel Light 19 (LLNR-24810) through Cut B Inner Range Front Light (LLNR24765) and terminating on land in position 29° 23.16’ N, 095° 53.15’ W (NAD 1983)

All Cruise Ships: Vessels may enter within 500 yards of a cruise ship but not closer than 100 yards provided they operate at the minimum speed necessary to maintain a safe course. No person or vessel may enter within 100 yards of a cruise ship unless specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port.

For information on how to obtain authorization to transit a Security Zone contact Sector Houston-Galveston Waterways Management at 281-464-4891.

USCG Sector Houston-Galveston
13411 Hillard St.
Houston, TX 77034
Command Center Emergency No: 281-464-4851
Sector Houston-Galveston Homeport: https://homeport.uscg.mil/port-directory/houston-galveston/
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Security Zone starts here and extends inbound to Buffalo Bayou

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