



# Marine Safety Information Bulletin

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## United Nations General Assembly 81: Security Zones

1. From **September 20 – 26, 2026**, the U.S. Coast Guard will enforce security zones on the East River near the United Nations Headquarters, and near the Wall Street Heliport. The East River security zones encompass all waters of the East River between East 36th Street and the Queensboro/59th Street Bridge and are portioned into three distinct zones (Zones 1- 3) as referenced in 33 CFR 165.164(a) (4,5, and 6). The Wall Street Heliport security zone encompasses a section of all navigable waters just south of Wall Street, Manhattan. More detailed descriptions and visual depictions are provided on pages 2 and 3 of this Marine Safety Information Bulletin (MSIB).
2. **Enforcement times for security zones described in this MSIB may change.** USCG Sector New York and Vessel Traffic Services (VTS) New York will broadcast exact closure periods daily to keep mariners informed.
3. Coast Guard Sector New York will monitor VHF-FM channel 16. If unable to reach the U.S. Coast Guard on VHF-FM channel 16, contact VTS New York on VHF-FM channel 12 or at (718) 354-4088 for updates.
4. Violation of a security zone can result in civil penalties up to \$117,608 per violation and/or other enforcement actions as per 46 U.S.C. 70036(a).
5. **Roosevelt Island Bridge Openings:** Vessels that require opening of the Roosevelt Island Bridge must contact the bridge tender at least 15 minutes in advance by phone (646) 899-0441, from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm or via VHF-FM CH 13.

### UNGA East River Security Zone Restrictions/Closures

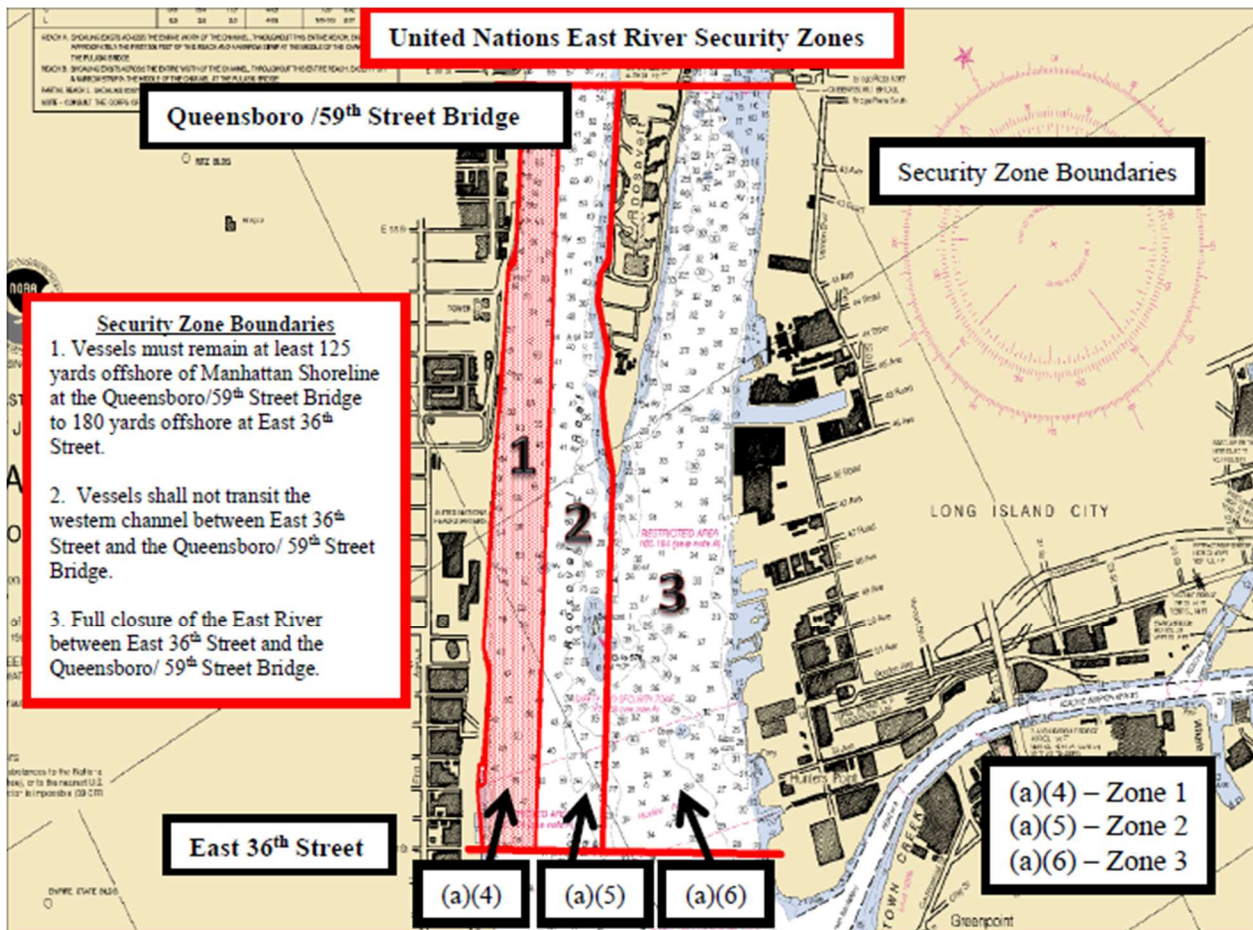
**Zone 1: Manhattan Shoreline: Always in effect.** Beginning 6:00 am on September 20<sup>th</sup> no vessels are allowed to transit within approximately 180 yards of Manhattan Shoreline at East 36th St to 125 yards from Manhattan Shoreline at the Queensboro/59th St Bridge. Commercial vessels must check in with VTS New York (VTSNY) on VHF-FM CH 12 prior to entering the West Channel.

**Zone 2: West Channel Closure:** No commercial or recreational traffic in the west channel of the East River between East 36th Street and the Queensboro/59th Street Bridge. Please note commercial vessels must check in with VTS New York (VTSNY) on VHF-FM CH 12 prior to entering the West Channel. NYC DEP sludge vessels and NYC Department of Sanitation barges will not be allowed to transit without 24-hour advance coordination with the Sector New York Enforcement Division at (505)523-662.

**Zone 3: Full River Closure:** No vessel traffic will be allowed in the East River between East 36th Street and the Queensboro/59th Street Bridge. No vessel transits will be permitted within the security zone while it is in effect without the U.S. Coast Guard's approval.

*UNGA East River security zone Restrictions/Closures Summary*

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Zone(s)</u> | <u>Anticipated Times</u>            |
|-------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Sep 20-26   | 1              | 24/7                                |
| Sep 20      | 2              | 12pm – 8pm                          |
| Sep 21-23   | 2              | 8am – 10pm                          |
| Sep 24-26   | 2              | 8am – 8pm                           |
| Sep 22      | 3              | As directed by USCG Sector New York |

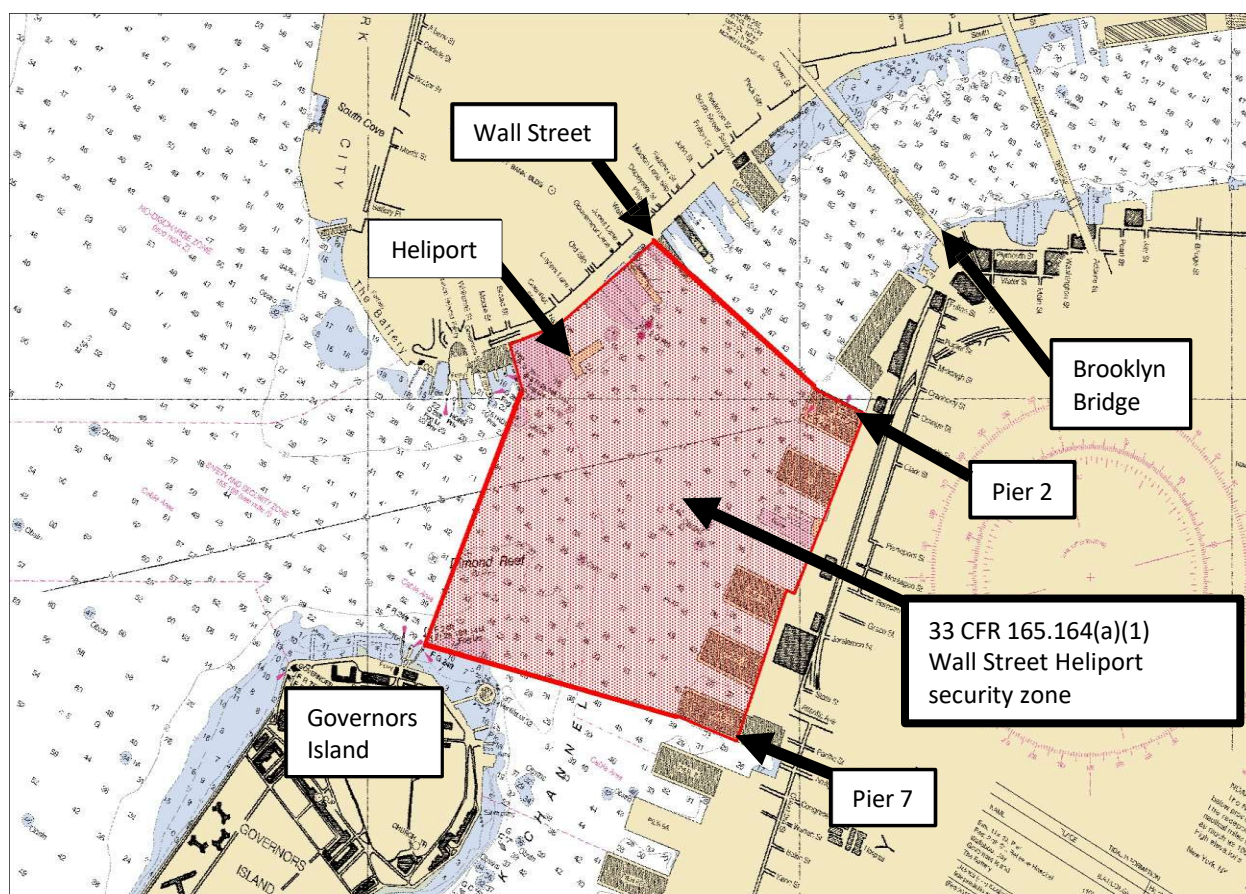


## Wall Street Heliport East River Closures

**Wall Street Heliport:** The potential exists for this security zone to be enforced per 33 CFR 165.164(a)(1) during mornings and evenings on dates and times that are as directed by Sector New York. No vessel transits will be permitted within the security zone while it is in effect without the U.S. Coast Guard's approval. The security zone includes all waters of the East River off the Wall Street Heliport within the following boundaries: East of a line drawn between approximate position 40°42'01"N, 074°00'39"W (east of The Battery) to 40°41'36"N, 074°00'52"W (NAD 1983) (point north of Governors Island) and north of a line drawn from the point north of Governors Island to the southwest corner of Pier 7, Brooklyn; and south of a line drawn between Wall Street, Manhattan, and the northwest corner of Pier 2, Brooklyn.

### *Wall Street Heliport East River Closures Summary*

| <u>Tentative Dates</u> | <u>Time(s)</u>                      |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Sep 20-26              | As directed by USCG Sector New York |



  
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