**Compliance Guide for Right Whale Ship Strike Reduction Rule (50 CFR 224.105)**

**ATTENTION:** All vessels greater than or equal to 65 ft (19.8 m) in overall length and subject to the jurisdiction of the United States and all vessels greater than or equal to 65 ft in overall length entering or departing a port or place subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

**YOU MUST SLOW TO SPEEDS OF 10 KNOTS OR LESS IN SEASONAL MANAGEMENT AREAS**

**Northeast U.S. Seasonal Management Areas**

Vessels may operate at a speed greater than 10 knots only if necessary to maintain a safe maneuvering speed in an area where conditions severely restrict vessel maneuverability as determined by the pilot or master.

If a deviation from the 10 knot speed restriction is necessary, the following information must be entered into the logbook:
- Reasons for deviation
- Speed at which vessel is operated
- Latitude and longitude at time of deviation
- Time and duration of deviation
- Master of the vessel shall sign and date the logbook entry

The rule does not apply to waters inshore of COLREGS lines.
Migratory Route

**November 1 through April 30**

Vessel speed is restricted in the following areas:

- **Block Island Sound waters bounded by:**
  - 40°51'53.7" N  070°36'44.9" W
  - 41°20'14.1" N  070°49'44.1" W
  - 41°04'16.7" N  071°51'21.0" W
  - 40°35'56.5" N  071°38'25.1" W
  then back to starting point.

- **Within a 20-nm (37 km) radius of the following (as measured seaward from the COLREGS lines):**
  - Port of New York/New Jersey:
    - 40°29'42.2" N  073°55'57.6" W
  - Entrance to the Delaware Bay
    - 38°52'27.4" N  075°01'32.1" W
  - Entrance to the Chesapeake Bay
    - 37°00'36.9" N  075°57'50.5" W
  - Ports of Morehead City and Beaufort, NC:
    - 34°41'32.0" N  076°40'08.3" W

- **Within a continuous area 20 nm from shore between Wilmington, NC, to Brunswick, GA, bounded by the following:**

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and west back to the shore.

Calving and Nursery Grounds

**November 15 through April 30**

Vessel speed is restricted in the area bounded to the north by latitude 31°27’N; to the south by latitude 29°45’N; to the east by longitude 080°51’36”W.

For more information, visit:
- http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/shipstrike
- http://nero.noaa.gov/shipstrike

Voluntary Dynamic Management Areas (DMAs) may also be established by NOAA Fisheries Service. Mariners are encouraged to avoid these areas or reduce speeds to 10 knots or less while transiting through these areas. NOAA Fisheries Service will announce DMAs to mariners through its customary maritime communication media.

This serves as NOAA’s small entity compliance guide.