

U.S. Coast Guard Sector Columbia River

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Columbia River Yachting Association Attn: Doug Romjue 1241 NE Marine Drive Portland, OR 97211

Dear Mr. Romjue:

I have received your Application for Approval of Marine Event, Form CG-4423, in which you requested approval for the Opening Day Parade Columbia River Yachting Association, Vancouver, WA on May 3, 2025. I have reviewed your application and determined that the proposed event does not require a Coast Guard Marine Event Permit, as outlined in 33 CFR Part 100, in that the event does not introduce any extra or unusual hazards that would jeopardize the safety of human life on the navigable waters of the U.S. For this reason, a Coast Guard Permit for Marine Event, Form CG-4424, is not required.

Although no permit will be issued at this time, it is your responsibility to contact this office if there are any changes to the event, including the number of participants and/or expected spectators, location, or any other significant changes that may necessitate reconsideration as to whether a permit is required.

Although a Coast Guard permit is not required, you are still responsible for:

- 1. The overall safety of the event;
- 2. Obtaining appropriate permits from the Federal, State, or local authorities; and,
- 3. Complying with all existing Federal, State, and local laws and regulations that may impact your ability to hold your event as proposed.

This letter does not exempt you from submitting an Application for Approval of Marine Event, Form CG-4423, for this, and any similar events, you may sponsor in the future. Furthermore, nothing in this determination is intended to restrict the Coast Guard's ability to take action authorized under the Ports and Waterways Safety Act, the Magnusson Act, or other authorities to ensure the safety of vessels and waterfront facilities, and the protection of the navigable waters and the resources therein. Such actions could include promulgation of Regulated Navigation Areas or Limited Access Areas, broadcasting safety notices or disseminating safety flyers, or other actions taken under the authorities granted the United States Coast Guard.

Please contact my Marine Events staff at (503) 572-3524 should you have any comments, questions, or concerns or should there be any substantive changes to your event.

Sincerely,

J. D. WALLACE

Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Coast Guard Chief, Waterways Management Division

By direction