





Boating Advisory Tall Ships Festival Safety Tips September 9-11, 2011

This weekend's Tall Ships Festival activities will begin this afternoon with the Tall Ships Parade running from 3:30 PM to 7:30 PM. The Cannon Battles are scheduled for both Saturday and Sunday between 4:30 PM and 8:00 PM.

Boaters should remember that Tall Ships do not maneuver easily and that ship crews may not see smaller vessels as they close in. Therefore, boaters are advised to maintain a safe distance from Tall Ships at all times.

Please help make this a safe and fun event!

Sailing:

Spectator vessels should stay at least 300' from all Tall Ships, and should not cross ahead of the vessels.

If a spectator vessel sails in between Tall Ships during cannon battles, the ships cannot fire.

Anchoring:

The Harbor Patrol and the Coast Guard Auxiliary will be maintaining a safe anchorage area in the Harbor so the Tall Ships can safely enter and exit from the docks. A traffic lane will be maintained so that all boaters can view the ships.

If you are planning to anchor in the Harbor, please check with the Harbor Patrol ahead of time at (949)248-2222