



**SAIL**  
**BOSTON**  
JULY 11-16 ★ 2026

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# Sail Boston 2026 BRIEFING

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# ABOUT SAIL250 & SAIL BOSTON 2026

- International tall ship gatherings have been a Boston Tradition since the US Bicentennial in 1976.
- The ships will return for **America's 250th Anniversary** during Sail Boston 2026, July 11–16, 2026.
- Past events planned and produced by our organization include:
  - Sail Boston 1992 – Columbus Quincentenary
  - USS CONSTITUTION Bicentennial Salute 1998
  - Sail Boston 2000 Tall Ships Millennium Celebration
  - Sail Boston 2009 Atlantic Tall Ships Challenge
  - Sail Boston 2017 Canada 150th Celebration
- Attracting millions of visitors during each event and world-wide media attention.
- More than **50 Ships Expected** similar to Sail Boston 2000 in scope and scale.
- **Sail250®**, an official five state, high profile, international tall ship and military project, is planned to support the 250th Anniversary of the nation's founding in the Summer of 2026.
- **Sail Boston® 2026** is an Official Port of Sail250. Sail Boston, Inc. is a 501(c)3 MA Corp.
- Mayor Wu announced **Sail250** and **Sail Boston 2026** on September 27, 2023.



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# TALL SHIPS BRING VISITORS

## FROM THE BOSTON GLOBE AND BOSTON HERALD:

- 1.2mm spectators lined Boston Harbor for the Parade of Sail on Tues., July 11, 2000.
- 30k+ spectators at Castle Island for the Parade of Sail on Tues., July 11, 2000.
- Per the MBTA, the T carried 1.3mm passengers by noon on Tues., July 11, 2000 – compared with 500k to 600k on the normal morning commute.
- US Coast Guard stated more than 8k spectator craft were in the harbor for the Parade of Sail.
- Boston Police Department stated 7.6mm people visited Boston from July 11-16, 2000 exceeding the 4mm pre-event projections.
- Tall Ships Deliver – Tall Ships generated more than \$120mm to Hub's Economy.





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**USS Constitution, USA**



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**Kalmar Nyckel, USA**



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**TS Patriot State, *Mass Maritime Academy***



**Daring Class Air Defence Destroyer, *Royal Navy***



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San Antonio Class LPD, *US Navy*



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# 2026 SUMMMER EVENTS OVERLAP



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# SAIL BOSTON KEY EVENTS JULY 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
5	6	7	8	9 <b>World Cup Game at Gillette Stadium</b>	10 <b>Opening Ceremony Tall Ships at Anchor</b>	11 <b>Meet Boston Parade of Sail Public Boarding Fireworks</b>
12 <b>Public Boarding</b>	13 <b>Public Boarding Crew &amp; Cadet Street Parade Sail Boston Captains Reception</b>	14 <b>Public Boarding Sail Boston Cup Soccer</b>	15 <b>Public Boarding Farewell Salute Fireworks</b>	16 <b>Ships Depart</b>	17	18



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# OPENING CEREMONY

**Friday, July 10**

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM | Opening Ceremonies

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM | Luncheon

Boston Harbor Hotel Rotunda

With Boston Harbor as a backdrop, the opening ceremonies will kick-off Sail Boston 2026 followed by a luncheon for Sail Boston sponsors, visiting VIPs, local dignitaries, and civic leaders.

*By Invitation Only*

*Summer White or Business Attire*



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# TALL SHIP ANCHORAGE AREAS

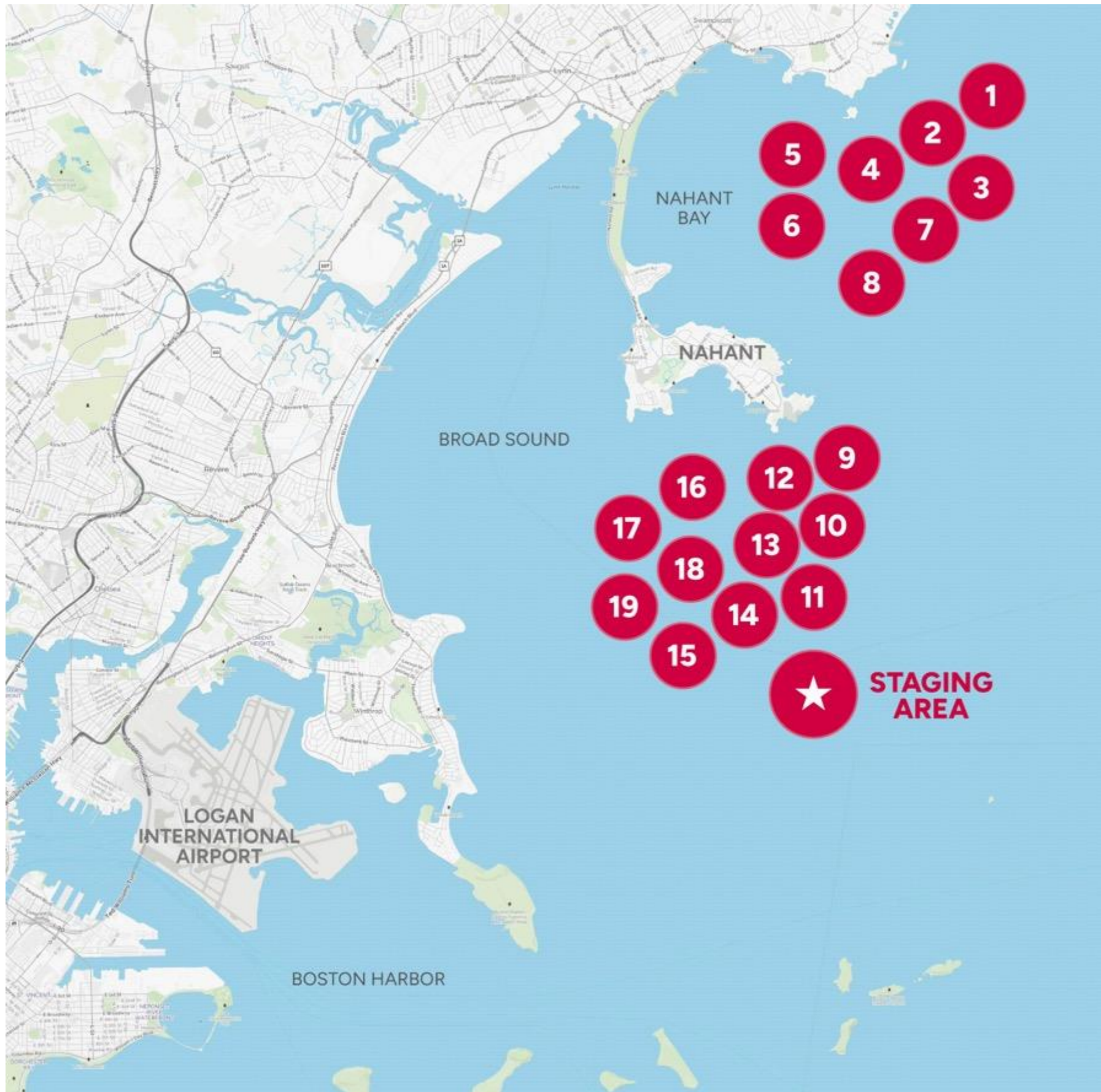
## FRIDAY, JULY 10

Class A/B Guide Ships at Assigned Anchorages by **1600 hrs.** on July 10

Class B/C Ships at Anchorages by **1800 hrs.** on July 10

**Vessels requiring CBP Clearance will Contact USCG PATCOM**

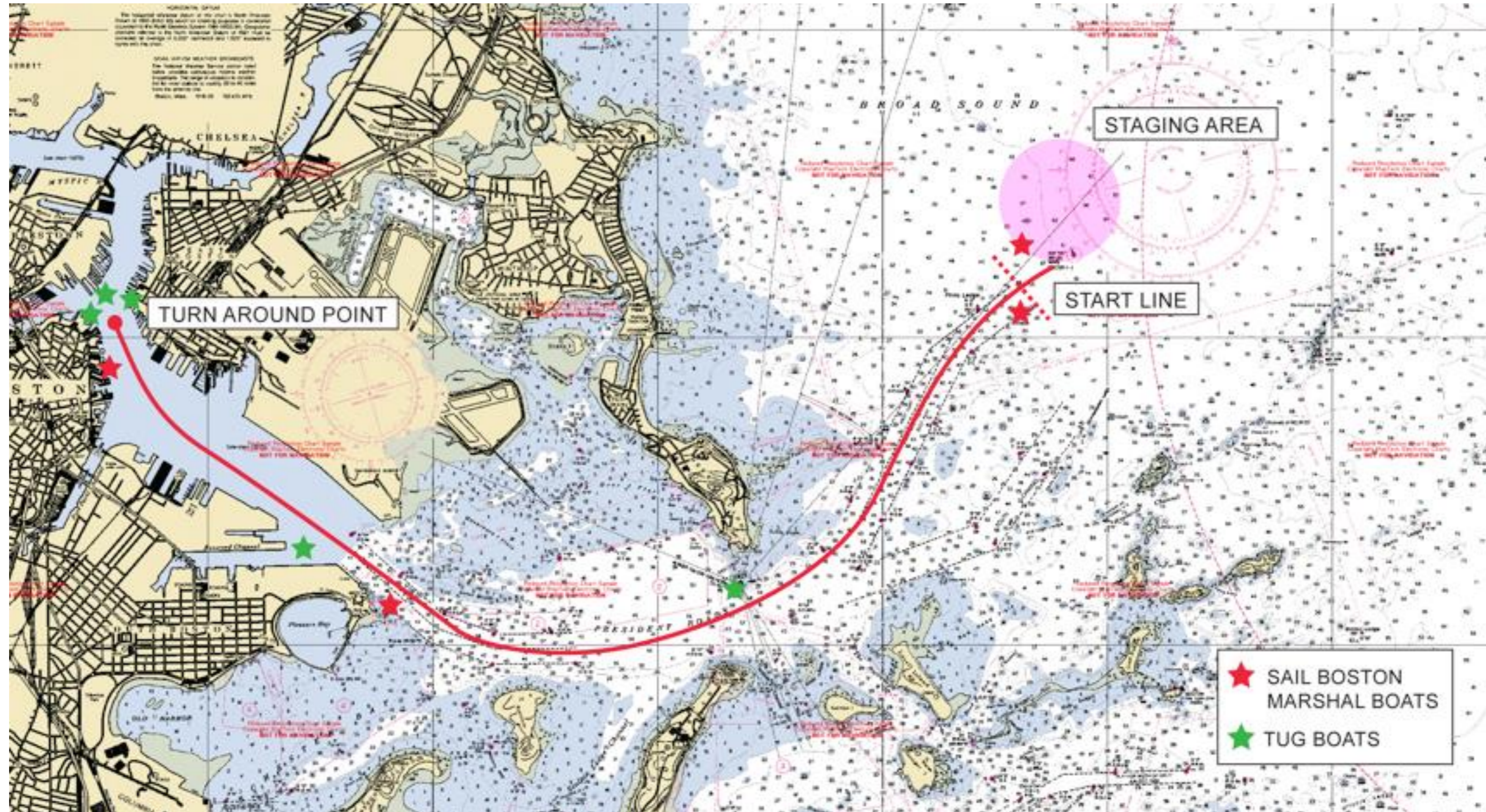
**CBP will board and clear vessels in in the anchorages**



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# PARADE ROUTE – JULY 11



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# MASSMUTUAL SAIL BOSTON GRANDSTANDS

**Saturday, July 11 | 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

Grandstand seats offer premium panoramic views of the Tall Ships' arrival in the Grand Parade of Sail. Vessels will parade in flotillas from Broad Sound into the main channel of Boston Harbor, along the Boston waterfront, turning at Charlestown, before proceeding to their assigned berthing areas.



*Ticketed Event*

*All attendees will go through screening*

*Food trucks on site for food purchase and beverage purchase*



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# BERTHING AREAS



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## PROHIBITED ITEMS



Backpacks or large bags



Wagons or pull carts



Coolers on wheels



Drones



Firearms, weapons, sharp objects or fireworks



Pets (excluding certified service animals)



Pop up tents or canopies



Grills, propane tanks or open flames



Glass containers, pre-mixed beverages or alcoholic beverages



Bicycles or electric scooters (bicycle parking will be available outside most screening areas – please view the street impact maps on our website)

## ALLOWED ITEMS



Small clutch purses/bags (easily searchable)



Shoulder strap or single handle coolers



Folding/beach chairs



Umbrellas



Baby strollers



Diaper bags (easily searchable)


















Glass baby bottles

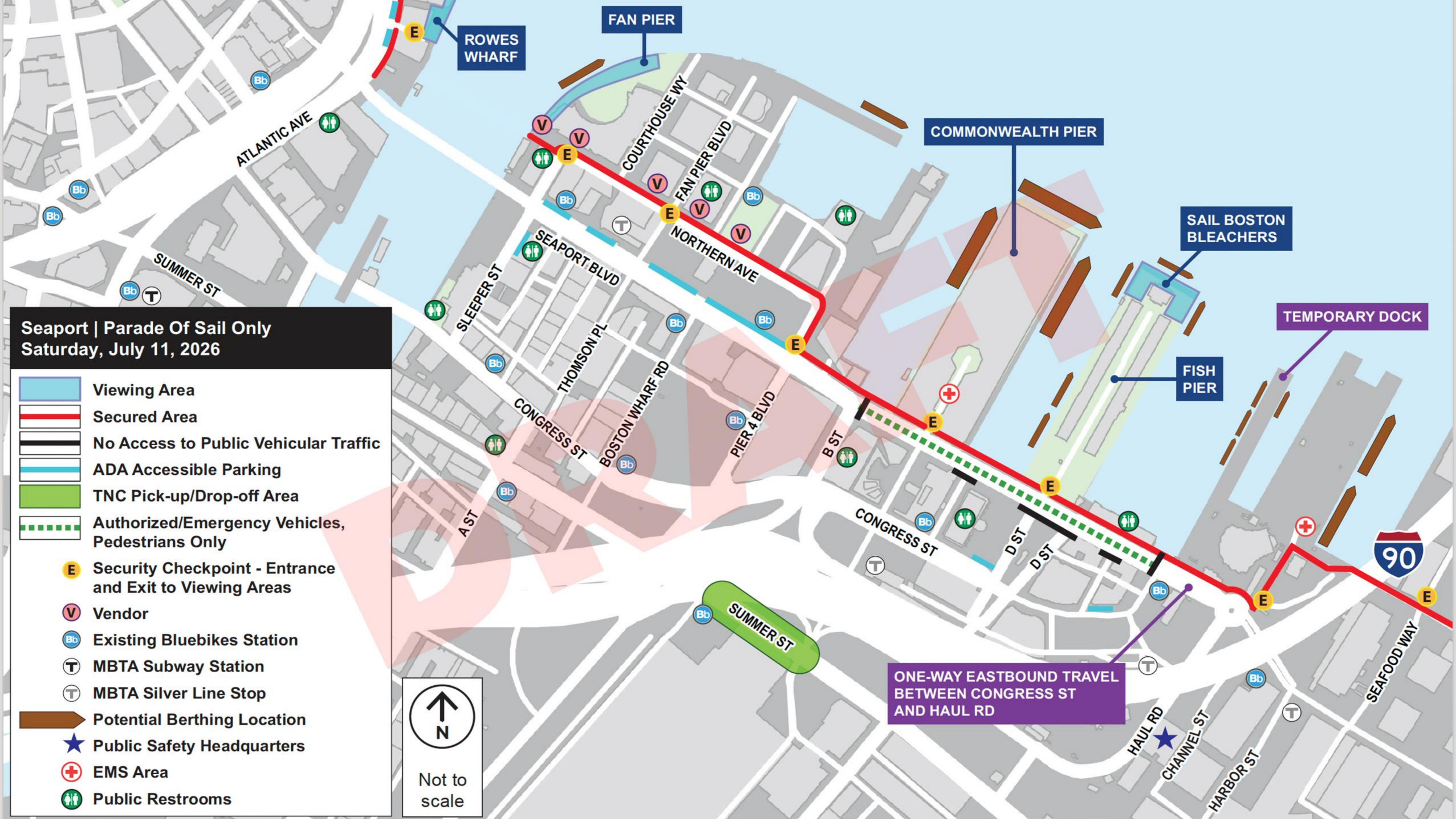
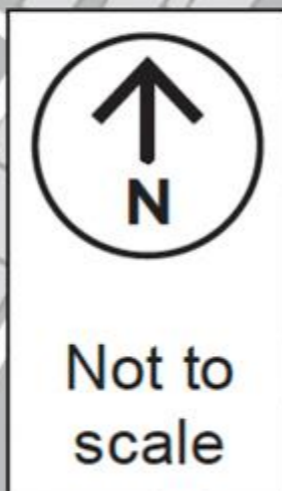


Blankets or tarps (max size 10' x 10')

**ALL BAGS WILL BE SUBJECT TO SEARCH**

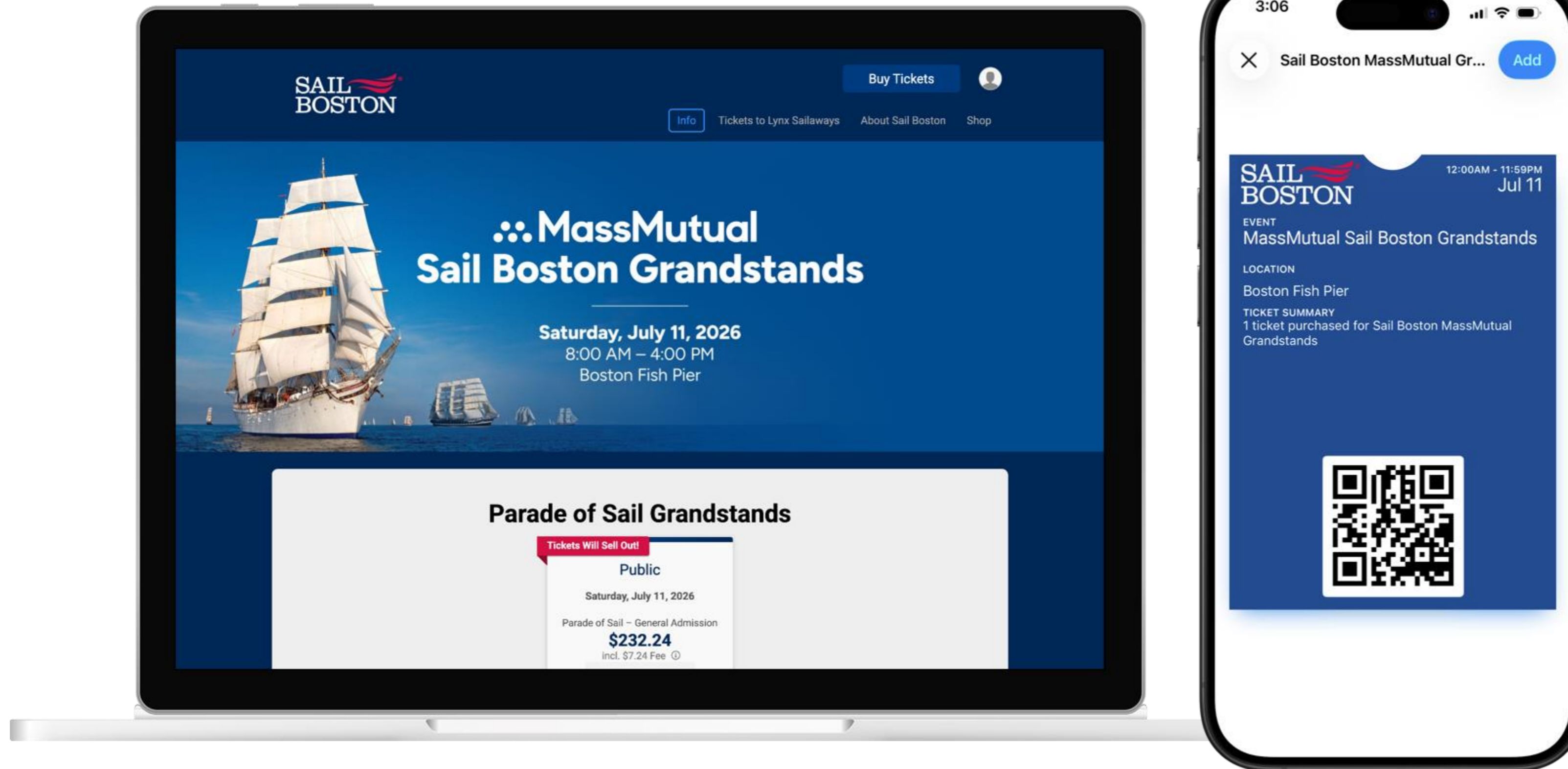
**Seaport | Parade Of Sail Only**  
**Saturday, July 11, 2026**

-  Viewing Area
-  Secured Area
-  No Access to Public Vehicular Traffic
-  ADA Accessible Parking
-  TNC Pick-up/Drop-off Area
-  Authorized/Emergency Vehicles, Pedestrians Only
-  Security Checkpoint - Entrance and Exit to Viewing Areas
-  Vendor
-  Existing Bluebikes Station
-  MBTA Subway Station
-  MBTA Silver Line Stop
-  Potential Berthing Location
-  Public Safety Headquarters
-  EMS Area
-  Public Restrooms



**ONE-WAY EASTBOUND TRAVEL  
 BETWEEN CONGRESS ST  
 AND HAUL RD**

# MASSMUTUAL SAIL BOSTON GRANDSTANDS TICKETS (AVAILABLE JUNE 1)



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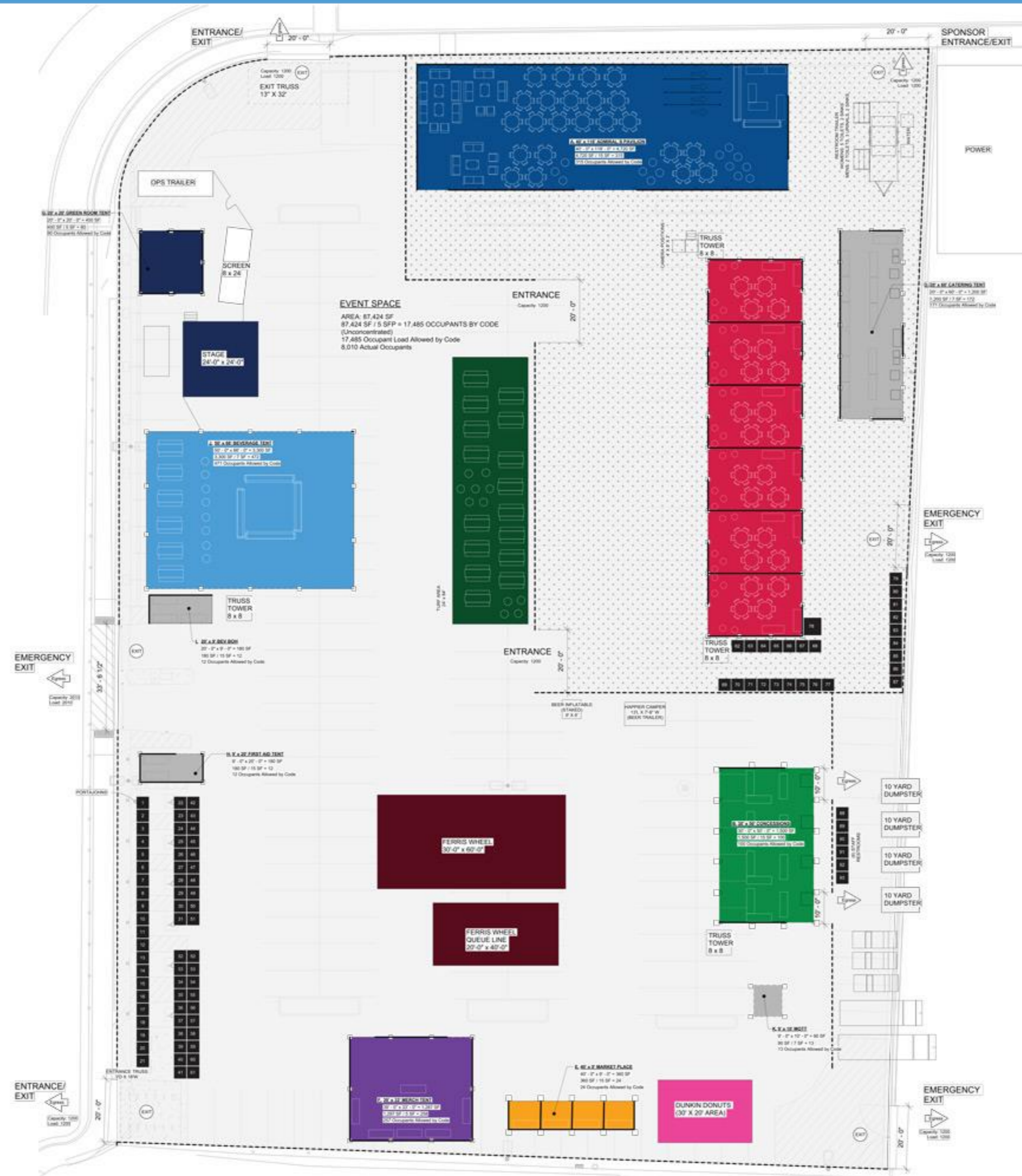


# SAIL BOSTON FESTIVAL MAP



## Sail Boston Festival Site Plan

-  ADMIRAL'S YARD
-  ADMIRAL'S PAVILION
-  SPONSOR TENTS
-  STAGE
-  CONCESSIONS
-  MARKETPLACE
-  MERCHANDISE TENT
-  BEVERAGE TENT
-  FERRIS WHEEL
-  DUNKIN DONUTS
-  PUBLIC SEATING
-  PORTA JOHNS



# CAPTAINS' RECEPTION

**Monday, July 13**

**5:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

**State House**

The Official Captains' Reception is an event to welcome the Tall Ship Captains to Boston. Mayor Wu and Governor Healey will formally receive captains and officers from each vessel.



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