

# New York Class B Airspace Hudson River and East River Exclusion Special Flight Rules Area (SFRA)



## Preflight Planning

- Be familiar with SFRA rules, procedures, and current charts

## In BOTH Exclusions

- **Airspeed** - Not more than 140 knots
- **Anti-collision lights** - ON
- **Aircraft position/navigation lights** -ON
- **Landing lights** - ON (recommended)
- **New York TAC or Helicopter Route Chart** – Onboard (current edition)

## SKYLINE ROUTE (Class B VFR Transition Route)

- **Obtain clearance prior to:**
  - Verrazano Bridge, Northbound – **127.85** (Newark Tower)
  - Alpine Tower, Southbound – **126.05** (LaGuardia Tower)

## HUDSON RIVER EXCLUSION (CTAF 123.05)

- **Fly in proper altitude range**
  - **Transient operation\*** [1,000 ft up to, not including, 1,300 ft MSL]
  - **Local operation\*\*** [Surface up to, not including, 1,000 ft MSL]
- **Fly within the boundaries of the exclusion along the:**
  - Southbound - West shoreline
  - Northbound - East shoreline
- **Self-announce at mandatory reporting points (CTAF 123.05)**
  - You must include: aircraft type, current position, direction of flight, and altitude

🔊 **Example**  
 “Cessna, **GWB**, 900 feet, southbound.”

\* Transient operation: Aircraft transiting the Hudson River Exclusion from end to end without intending to significantly change heading, altitude, or airspeed.

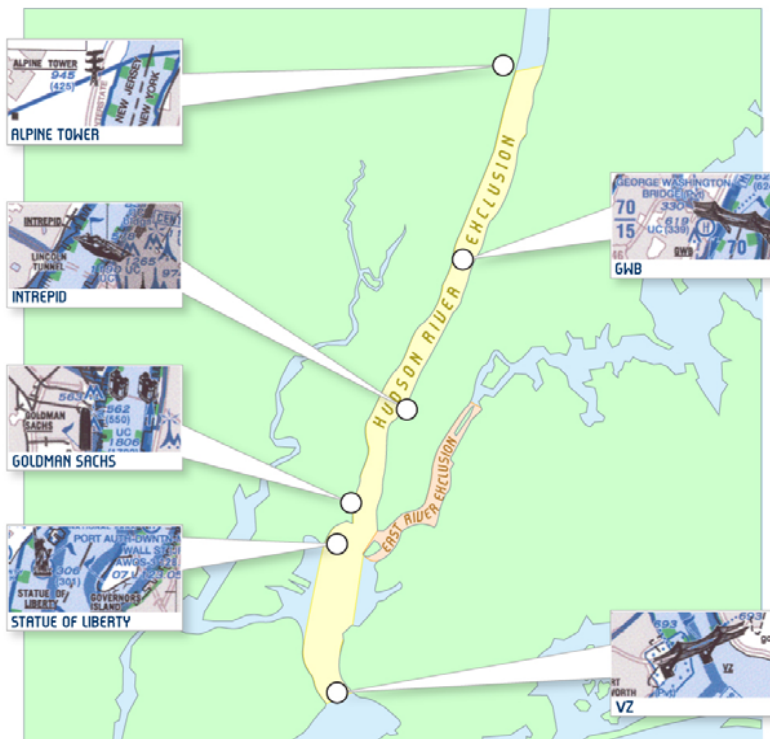
\*\* Local operation: Any aircraft within the Hudson River Exclusion that is conducting an operation other than overflying.

## EAST RIVER EXCLUSION (CTAF 123.075; LGA 126.05/263.00)

- **Fixed wing aircraft are prohibited unless authorized by ATC**
  - Contact LaGuardia Airport Traffic Control Tower prior to Governors Island on **126.05 or 263.00**
- **ALSO, monitor and report on CTAF 123.075**

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Mandatory reporting points shown.  
 Note: Not for navigational purposes.

## Important Frequencies

East River operations	123.075
LGA Tower Authorization	126.05 or 263.00
Hudson River Operations	123.05
Skyline Route Southbound	126.05 (LGA)
Skyline Route Northbound	127.85 (EWR)



## Circling the Statue of Liberty

- Do so at the highest practical altitude below 1,000 feet MSL
- Circle in a counter-clockwise direction
- Be aware that local helicopter tour operators fly an irregular pattern near the Statue of Liberty at approximately 500 feet
- Remain especially vigilant for other traffic in the vicinity of the Statue of Liberty

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