Pilot Courses of Instruction
Airspace Classification and Related Regulatory Information
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Hudson River Corridor
• Operating rules now in 14 CFR 93, Subpart W.
• Two separate routings:
  1. The “Skyline Route”
     a) Inside Class B Airspace
     b) Obtain clearance prior to:
        i. Verrazano Bridge, Northbound: 127.85 (Newark Tower)
        ii. Alpine Tower, Southbound: 126.05 (LaGuardia Tower)
  2. Hudson River Exclusion (VFR Corridor)
     a) As of 19 November 2009, segmented into
        i. local area (below 1,000 feet)
        ii. transient area (at or above 1,000 to to the floor of the overlying Class B airspace).
     b) Airspeed not to exceed 140 knots IAS.
     c) Anti-collision and position lights to be on; landing/taxi lights recommended
     d) Self-announce on appropriate frequency at mandatory reporting points
        i. Alpine Tower
        ii. George Washington Bridge
        iii. Intrepid
        iv. Goldman Sachs
        v. Statue of Liberty
        vi. Verrazano Bridge
     e) Right-hand passage north/south through the corridor.
     f) Charts:
        i. Required:
           ◊ VFR Terminal Area Chart for N.Y. (a portion of the New York City Helicopter chart is on the back)
        ii. Strongly recommended:
           ◊ New York City Helicopter Route Chart (especially if you wish to fly up the East River or around Manhattan Island by the East River or cross Manhattan towards FRG.)
        iii. Recommended:
           ◊ N.Y. Sectional (for the area beyond the Terminal Area Chart; also, probably required for the circumstances of the flight to begin with).
     g) Radio Frequencies:
        i. Self Announce:
           ◊ Hudson River: 123.05
           ◊ East River: 123.075
        ii. Other Frequencies:
           ◊ LaGuardia Tower: 126.05
           ◊ Newark Tower: 127.85
           ◊ New York Approach: 126.4
           ◊ Emergency/Guard: 121.5 (is case, perish the thought, one is intercepted)

+ Read Part 93 and the requirements on the back of the Terminal Area Chart!
+ Read Special Flight Rules Area (SFAR) (Skyline Route & Hudson River Exclusion)!
+ Read Special Flight Rules Area (SFAR) (below Class B airspace)!
+ Read the Skyline Route handout!

+ Yankee Stadium TFR may be active: NOTAM: 3/1862

Pursuant to 14 CFR Section 99.7, special security instructions, commencing one hour before the scheduled time of the event until one hour after the end of the event, all aircraft and parachute operations are prohibited at and below 3,000 ft. feet agl within a three nautical mile radius of any stadium having a seating capacity of 30,000 or more people in which a major league baseball, National Football League, NCAA Division One Football, or major motor speedway event is occurring.

See the N.Y. Yankees game schedule:
Cut-and-paste and then change the month and year at the very end of the URL (m=nn &y=yyyy)

Let’s all hope that this TFR is very active through the month of October, while there are no TFRs over Fenway Park.

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