U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY U.S. COAST GUARD

ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE FOR INTERNATIONAL AND INLAND NAVIGATION RULES — 33 CFR PARTS 81 AND 89

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Who must comply?	Owners, operators, builders or agents of vessels.
What is this collection about?	This information is used by the Coast Guard (CG) to determine if a vessel is eligible for a Certificate of Alternative Compliance (COAC). Certain vessels cannot comply with the International Navigation Rules and Inland Navigation Rules due to unique designs. An owner, operator, builder, or agent will provide information on why a vessel cannot comply with existing navigation rules and how alternative compliance can be achieved. If appropriate, a COAC is issued.
Where do I find the requirements for this information?	Title 33 CFR Parts 81 & 89, are available at — http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov , select TITLE 33 – NAVIGATION AND NAVIGABLE WATERS, and follow to Parts 81 or 89 respectively.
When must information be submitted to the Coast Guard?	For a vessel seeking a COAC, before the vessel is placed in operation.
How is the information submitted?	By mail, fax or electronically submitted via e-mail to the CG District Commander, for a vessel seeking a COAC. A comprehensive list of contact info for Coast Guard units, including District Commanders, can be found at: http://www.uscg.mil/top/units/ .
What happens when complete information is received?	The CG will review the information and determine if a vessel is eligible to receive a COAC. If it qualifies, the CG will issue a COAC to the vessel. The COAC terminates if the information supplied is no longer applicable to the vessel.
For additional information, contact	Your local CG Sector Office or CG District Commander. A list of Coast Guard sectors, and CG District Commanders, as part of a comprehensive list of Coast Guard units, can be found at http://www.uscg.mil/top/units/ .

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