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## **Title 46 – Shipping**

### **Chapter I – Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security**

#### **Subchapter A – Procedures Applicable to the Public**

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## **PART 2—VESSEL INSPECTIONS**

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### **Subpart 2.01—Inspecting and Certificating of Vessels**

## § 2.01-1 Applications for inspections.

(a) **Application forms.**

(1) Applications for inspections of vessels required to be inspected under subtitle II, title 46 of the U.S. Code, title 46 and title 33 U.S. Code, or under 50 U.S.C. 198 shall be made by the master, owner, or agent on the following Coast Guard forms which are obtainable from the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, at any local U.S. Coast Guard Sector Office.

(i) CG-3752—Application for Inspection of U.S. Vessel.

(ii) CG-986—Application for Inspection of Foreign Vessel.

(2) These applications require information on name and type of vessel, nature of employment and route in which to be operated, and place where and date when the vessel may be inspected.

(b) **To whom submitted.** The completed form must be submitted to the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, in the Marine Inspection Zone within which the inspection is to be conducted.

(c) **New vessels.** Applications for inspection of new vessels must be preceded by the submission of applicable drawings or prints in accordance with the specific requirements in subchapters D (Tank Vessels), E (Load Lines), F (Marine Engineering), H (Passenger Vessels), I (Cargo and Miscellaneous Vessels), J (Electrical Engineering), K (Small Passenger Vessels Carrying More Than 150 Passengers Or With Overnight Accommodations For More Than 49 Passengers), L (Offshore Supply Vessels), O (Certain Bulk Dangerous Cargoes), S (Subdivision and Stability), and T (Small Passenger Vessels) of this chapter applicable to that particular type of vessel or type of service in which the vessel is proposed to be operated.

(d) **Foreign-built vessels.**

(1) Those foreign-built vessels which are specifically authorized by public or private laws to engage in the coastwise trade, and those foreign-built vessels which are documented to engage in the foreign trade shall be inspected and certificated as required by law and/or the regulations in this chapter which are applicable to their class and employment.

(2) Foreign-built vessels are not permitted to engage in the U.S. coastwise trade (domestic trade) unless specifically authorized by law. Therefore, when foreign-built vessels are intended for use in the coastwise trade as defined by the U.S. Customs Service, such vessels will not be inspected and certificated unless specifically authorized by law to engage in coastwise trade.

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## § 2.01-3 Notification of inspection.

(a) At least 30 days prior to the expiration of the Certification of Inspection, a vessel's owner, charterer, managing operator, agent, master or individual in charge shall notify the Coast Guard if the vessel will be required to be reinspected for certification or will be operated in such a manner as to not require a Certificate of Inspection.

(b) The notification required by paragraph (a) shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection for the Marine Inspection or Sector Office of the port that:

- (1) Will be reinspecting and Certifying the Vessel;
- (2) Issued the vessel's current Certificate of Inspection if the vessel's schedule is such that it is not known where the next reinspection will take place; or
- (3) Issued the vessel's current Certificate of Inspection if the vessel will not be requiring reinspection for the issuance of a Certificate of Inspection.

[CGD 85-015, 51 FR 19340, May 29, 1986, as amended by USCG-1999-4976, 65 FR 6498, Feb. 9, 2000; USCG-2006-25556, 72 FR 36329, July 2, 2007]

## § 2.01-5 Certificate of inspection.

- (a) **Issuance of certificates.** Upon completion of the inspection of a United States vessel, and on condition that the vessel and its equipment are approved by the inspector, a certificate of one or more of the following Coast Guard forms is issued by the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection:
  - (1) CG-841—Certificate of Inspection.
  - (2) CG-854—Temporary Certificate of Inspection.
- (b) **Description of certificates.** The certificates of inspection issued to United States vessels describe the vessel, the route the vessel may travel, the minimum manning requirements, the safety equipment and appliances required to be on board, the total number of persons that may be carried, and the names of the owners and operators. The period of validity is stated on the certificate. The certificate may be renewed by applying for inspection under § 2.01-1.
- (c) **Amending certificates.** When, because of a change in the character of the vessel or vessel's route, equipment, etc., the vessel does not comply with the requirements of the Certificate of Inspection previously issued, an amended certificate may be issued at the discretion of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, to whom a request is made.

[CGD 77-014, 44 FR 5316, Jan. 25, 1979, as amended by USCG-1999-4976, 65 FR 6498, Feb. 9, 2000; USCG-2004-18884, 69 FR 58341, Sept. 30, 2004; USCG-2010-0759, 75 FR 60000, Sept. 29, 2010]

## § 2.01-6 Certificates issued to foreign vessels.

- (a) **Issuance of a Certificate of Compliance (COC).** Foreign vessels of countries which are signatory to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, are issued a Certificate of Compliance (CG-3585) upon satisfactory completion of a compliance examination by the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection:
  - (1) A foreign passenger vessel that is registered in a country which is signatory to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, visits U.S. ports with U.S. citizens as passengers or embarks passengers in U.S. ports, holds a valid Passenger Ship Safety Certificate, and, if applicable, holds a valid Polar Ship Certificate;
  - (2) A foreign vessel that is suitable for carriage of hazardous cargoes in bulk as defined in 46 CFR subchapter 0 and is in compliance with Tankship Cargo Venting and Handling Systems and Minimum Pollution Prevention Regulations and Transfer Procedures (33 CFR parts 155, 156, 157, and 159), and Navigation Safety Inspection Regulations (33 CFR part 164);

- (3) A foreign Mobile Offshore Drilling Unit that complies with standards listed in 33 CFR 143.207 and is engaged in U.S. Outer Continental Shelf activities;
  - (4) A foreign vessel that is suitable for carriage of cargoes as defined in 46 CFR subchapter D and is in compliance with Tankship Cargo Venting and Handling Systems and Minimum Safety Standards (SOLAS 74—46 CFR part 35), Pollution Prevention Regulations and Transfer Procedures (33 CFR parts 155, 156, 157, and 159), and Navigation Safety Regulations (33 CFR part 164).
- (b) Foreign vessels of countries which are non-signatory to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, are issued a Temporary Certificate of Inspection (CG-854) and a Certificate of Inspection (CG-841), respectively, as described in § 2.01-5. Any amendments to these certificates shall be accomplished in accordance with § 2.01-5(c).
- (c) **Description of COC.** CG-3585 describes the vessel's particulars, type of vessel examined, type of certificate(s) required by the International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, the period of validity, subsequent exams required to maintain the certificates validity, the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection zone where the exam was completed in and if there are any deficiencies as to applicable regulations at the time the vessel was examined. If there are deficiencies issued, they are listed in the examination record section of the COC.

[USCG-2010-0759, 75 FR 60000, Sept. 29, 2010; USCG-2016-0880, 82 FR 44118, Sept. 21, 2017]

**§ 2.01-7 Classes of vessels (including motorboats) examined or inspected and certificated.**

- (a) The regulations in this chapter concerning inspecting and certificating vessels are applicable to vessels (including motorboats) either as indicated in the following table [2.01-7\(a\)](#) or, if the vessel is a towing vessel, as provided in [paragraph \(b\)](#) of this section.



**TABLE 2.01-7(a)**

Method of propulsion, qualified by size or other limitation <sup>1</sup>	Vessels inspected and certificated under Subchapter D—Tank Vessels <sup>2</sup>	Vessels inspected and certificated under Subchapter H—Passenger Vessels <sup>2345</sup> or Subchapter K or T—Small Passenger Vessels <sup>234</sup>	Vessels inspected and certificated under Subchapter I—Cargo and Miscellaneous Vessels <sup>25</sup>	Vessels subject to the provisions of Subchapter C—Uninspected Vessels. <sup>23678</sup>	Vessels subject to the provisions of Subchapter U—Oceanographic Vessels <sup>23679</sup>	Vessels subject to the provisions of Subchapter O—Certain Bulk and Dangerous Cargoes <sup>10</sup>
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7
(1) Motor, all vessels except seagoing motor vessels $\geq 300$ gross tons	All vessels carrying combustible or flammable liquid cargo in bulk. <sup>5</sup>	(i) All vessels carrying more than 12 passengers on an international voyage, except recreational vessels not engaged in trade. <sup>7</sup> (ii) All vessels <100 gross tons that—  (A) Carry more than 6 passengers-for-hire whether chartered or not, or (B) Carry more than 6 passengers when chartered	All vessels >15 gross tons carrying freight-for-hire, except those covered by columns 2 and 3. All vessels carrying dangerous cargoes, when required by <u>46 CFR part 98</u>	All vessels not covered by columns 2, 3, 4, and 6	None	All vessels carrying cargoes in bulk that are listed in part 153, table 1, or part 154, table 4, or unlisted cargoes that would otherwise be subject to these parts. <sup>12</sup>

with the crew provided, or  
(C) Carry more than 12 passengers when chartered with no crew provided, or  
(D) Carry at least 1 passenger-for-hire and are submersible vessels.<sup>7</sup>  
(E) Carry more than 6 passengers and are ferries.  
(iii) All vessels  $\geq 100$  gross tons that—  
(A) Carry more than 12 passengers-for-hire whether chartered or not, or  
(B) Carry more than 12 passengers when chartered with the crew provided, or  
(C) Carry more than 12 passengers when chartered with no crew

	<p>provided, or</p> <p>(D) Carry at least 1 passenger-for-hire and are submersible vessels.<sup>7</sup></p> <p>(E) Carry at least 1 passenger and are ferries.</p> <p>(iv) These regulations do not apply to—</p> <p>(A) Recreational vessels not engaged in trade.</p> <p>(B) Documented cargo or tank vessels issued a permit to carry 16 or fewer persons in addition to the crew.</p> <p>(C) Fishing vessels not engaged in ocean or coastwise service. Such vessels may carry persons on the legitimate business of the vessel<sup>6</sup> in</p>			
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<p>(2) Motor, seagoing motor vessels <math>\geq 300</math> gross tons</p>	<p>All vessels carrying combustible or flammable liquid cargo in bulk.<sup>5</sup></p>	<p>addition to the crew, as restricted by the definition of passenger.<sup>7</sup></p> <p>(i) All vessels carrying more than 12 passengers on an international voyage, except recreational vessels not engaged in trade.<sup>7</sup></p> <p>(ii) All ferries &lt;100 gross tons carrying more than 6 passengers and all ferries <math>\geq 100</math> gross tons that carry at least 1 passenger.</p> <p>(iii) These regulations do not apply to—</p> <p>(A) Recreational vessels not engaged in trade.</p> <p>(B) Documented cargo or tank vessels</p>	<p>All vessels, including recreational vessels not engaged in trade. This does not include vessels covered by columns 2 and 3, and vessels engaged in the fishing industry</p>	<p>All vessels not covered by columns 2, 3, 4, 6, and 7</p>	<p>All vessels engaged in oceanographic research</p>	<p>All vessels carrying cargoes in bulk that are listed in part 153, table 1, or part 154, table 4, or unlisted cargoes that would otherwise be subject to these parts.<sup>12</sup></p>
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<p>(3) Non-self-propelled vessels &lt;100 gross tons</p>	<p>All vessels carrying combustible or flammable liquid cargo in bulk.<sup>5</sup></p>	<p>issued a permit to carry 16 or fewer persons in addition to the crew.                  (C) Fishing vessels not engaged in ocean or coastwise service may carry persons on the legitimate business of the vessel<sup>6</sup> in addition to the crew, as restricted by the definition of passenger.<sup>7</sup></p> <p>(i) All vessels that—                  (A) Carry more than 6 passengers-for-hire whether chartered or not, or                  (B) Carry more than 6 passengers when chartered with the crew provided, or                  (C) Carry more than 12 passengers when chartered with no crew</p>	<p>All manned barges except those covered by columns 2 and 3</p>	<p>All barges except those covered by column 3</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>All tank barges carrying cargoes listed in Table 151.05 of this chapter or unlisted cargoes that would otherwise be subject to part 151.<sup>11112</sup></p>
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<p>(4) Non-self-propelled vessels ≥100 gross tons</p>	<p>All vessels carrying combustible or flammable liquid cargo in bulk.<sup>5</sup></p>	<p>provided, or                  (D) Carry at least 1 passenger-for-hire and is a submersible vessel.<sup>7</sup>                  (E) Carry more than 12 passengers on an international voyage.                  (F) Carry more than 6 passengers and are ferries.                  (iii) All vessels that—                  (A) Carry more than 12 passengers-for-hire whether chartered or not, or                  (B) Carry more than 12 passengers when chartered with the crew provided, or                  (C) Carry more than 12 passengers when chartered with no crew provided, or                  (D) Carry at least 1 passenger-</p>	<p>All seagoing barges except a seagoing barge that is covered by column 2 or 3, or that is unmanned for the purposes of operating or navigating the barge, and that carries neither a hazardous material as cargo nor a flammable or combustible liquid, including oil, in bulk quantities of 250 barrels or more</p>	<p>All barges except those covered by columns 3 and 6</p>	<p>All seagoing barges engaged in oceanographic research</p>	<p>All tank barges carrying cargoes listed in Table 151.05 of this chapter or unlisted cargoes that would otherwise be subject to part 151.<sup>11112</sup></p>
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<p>(5) Sail<sup>13</sup>                  vessels                  ≤700 gross                  tons</p>	<p>All vessels                  carrying                  combustible                  or                  flammable                  liquid cargo                  in bulk.<sup>5</sup></p>	<p>for-hire and is                  a                  submersible                  vessel.<sup>7</sup>                  (E) Carry                  more than 12                  passengers                  on an                  international                  voyage.                  (F) Carry at                  least 1                  passenger                  and are                  ferries                  (i) All vessels                  carrying more                  than 12                  passengers                  on an                  international                  voyage,                  except                  recreational                  vessels not                  engaged in                  trade.<sup>7</sup></p>	<p>All vessels                  carrying                  dangerous                  cargoes, when                  required by <u>46</u>  <u>CFR part 98</u></p>	<p>All vessels not                  covered by                  columns 2, 3, 4,                  and 6</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>All vessels                  carrying                  cargoes in                  bulk that                  are listed in                  part 153,                  table 1, or                  part 154,                  table 4, or                  unlisted                  cargoes                  that would                  otherwise                  be subject                  to these                  parts.<sup>12</sup></p>
		<p>(ii) All vessels                  &lt;100 gross                  tons that—                  (A) Carry                  more than 6                  passengers-                  for-hire                  whether                  chartered or                  not, or                  (B) Carry                  more than 6                  passengers                  when</p>				

	<p>chartered with the crew provided, or</p> <p>(C) Carry more than 12 passengers when chartered with no crew provided, or</p> <p>(D) Carry at least 1 passenger-for-hire and are submersible vessels.<sup>7</sup></p> <p>(E) Carry more than 6 passengers and are ferries.</p> <p>(iii) All vessels <math>\geq 100</math> gross tons that—</p> <p>(A) Carry more than 12 passengers-for-hire whether chartered or not, or</p> <p>(B) Carry more than 12 passengers when chartered with the crew provided, or</p> <p>(C) Carry more than 12 passengers when chartered</p>			
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with no crew provided, or  
(D) Carry at least 1 passenger-for-hire and are submersible vessels.<sup>7</sup>  
(E) Carry at least 1 passenger and are ferries.  
(iv) These regulations do not apply to—  
(A) Recreational vehicles not engaged in trade.  
(B) Documented cargo or tank vessels issued a permit to carry 16 or fewer persons in addition to the crew.  
(C) Fishing vessels, not engaged in ocean or coastwise service. Such vessels may carry persons on the legitimate business of

(6) Sail <sup>13</sup> vessels >700 gross tons	All vessels carrying combustible or flammable liquid cargo in bulk. <sup>5</sup>	<p>the vessel<sup>6</sup> in addition to the crew, as restricted by the definition of passenger.<sup>7</sup></p> <p>(i) All vessels carrying passengers or passengers-for-hire, except recreational vessels.<sup>7</sup></p> <p>(ii) All ferries that carry at least 1 passenger</p>	All vessels carrying dangerous cargoes, when required by <u>46 CFR part 98</u>	All vessels not covered by columns 2, 3, 4, and 6	None	All vessels carrying cargoes in bulk that are listed in part 153, Table 1, or part 154, Table 4, or unlisted cargoes that would otherwise be subject to these parts. <sup>12</sup>
(7) Steam, vessels ≤19.8 meters (65 feet) in length	All vessels carrying combustible or flammable liquid cargo in bulk. <sup>5</sup>	<p>(i) All vessels carrying more than 12 passengers on an international voyage, except recreational vessels not engaged in trade.<sup>7</sup></p> <p>(ii) All vessels &lt;100 gross tons that-</p> <p>(A) Carry more than 6 passengers-</p>	All tugboats and towboats. All vessels carrying dangerous cargoes, when required by <u>46 CFR part 98</u>	All vessels not covered by columns 2, 3, 4, and 6	None	All vessels carrying cargoes in bulk that are listed in part 153, table 1, or part 154, table 4, or unlisted cargoes that would otherwise be subject to these parts. <sup>12</sup>

	<p>for-hire whether chartered or not, or (B) Carry more than 6 passengers when chartered with the crew provided, or (C) Carry more than 12 passengers when chartered with no crew provided, or (D) Carry at least 1 passenger- for-hire and are submersible vessels.<sup>7</sup> (E) Carry more than 6 passengers and are ferries. (iii) All vessels <math>\geq</math>100 gross tons that- (A) Carry more than 12 passengers- for-hire whether chartered or not, or (B) Carry more than 12 passengers when</p>			
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	<p>chartered with the crew provided, or</p> <p>(C) Carry more than 12 passengers when chartered with no crew provided, or</p> <p>(D) Carry at least 1 passenger-for-hire and are submersible vessels.<sup>7</sup></p> <p>(E) Carry at least 1 passenger and are ferries.</p> <p>(iv) These regulations do not apply to—</p> <p>(A) Recreational vessels not engaged in trade.</p> <p>(B) Documented cargo or tank vessels issued a permit to carry 16 or fewer persons in addition to the crew.</p> <p>(C) Fishing vessels not engaged in</p>			
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<p>(8) Steam, vessels &gt;19.8 meters (65 feet) in length</p>	<p>All vessels carrying combustible or flammable liquid cargo in bulk.<sup>5</sup></p>	<p>ocean or coastwise service. Such vessels may carry persons on the legitimate business of the vessel<sup>6</sup> in addition to the crew, as restricted by the definition of passenger.<sup>7</sup></p> <p>(i) All vessels carrying more than 12 passengers on an international voyage, except recreational vessels not engaged in trade.<sup>7</sup></p> <p>(ii) All vessels &lt;100 gross tons that—                  (A) Carry more than 6 passengers-for-hire whether chartered or not, or                  (B) Carry more than 6 passengers when</p>	<p>All vessels not covered by columns 2, 3, 6, and 7</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>All vessels engaged in oceanographic research</p>	<p>All vessels carrying cargoes in bulk that are listed in part 153, Table 1, or part 154, Table 4, or unlisted cargoes that would otherwise be subject to these parts.<sup>12</sup></p>
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	<p>chartered with the crew provided, or</p> <p>(C) Carry more than 12 passengers when chartered with no crew provided, or</p> <p>(D) Carry at least 1 passenger-for-hire and are submersible vessels.<sup>7</sup></p> <p>(E) Carry more than 6 passengers and are ferries.</p> <p>(iii) All vessels <math>\geq 100</math> gross tons that—</p> <p>(A) Carry more than 12 passengers-for-hire whether chartered or not, or</p> <p>(B) Carry more than 12 passengers when chartered with the crew provided, or</p> <p>(C) Carry more than 12 passengers when chartered</p>			
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	<p>with no crew provided, or</p> <p>(D) Carry at least 1 passenger-for-hire and are submersible vessels.<sup>7</sup></p> <p>(E) Carry at least 1 passenger and are ferries.</p> <p>(iv) These regulations do not apply to—</p> <p>(A) Recreational vehicles not engaged in trade.</p> <p>(B) Documented cargo or tank vessels issued a permit to carry 16 or fewer persons in addition to the crew.</p> <p>(C) Fishing vessels not engaged in ocean or coastwise service. Such vessels may carry persons on the legitimate business of</p>			
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		the vessel <sup>6</sup> in addition to the crew, as restricted by the definition of passenger. <sup>7</sup>			
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KEY TO SYMBOLS USED IN THIS TABLE: ≤ means less than or equal to; > means greater than; < means less than; and ≥ means greater than or equal to.

Footnotes:

<sup>1</sup> Where length is used in this table, it means the length measured from end to end over the deck, excluding sheer. This expression means a straight line measurement of the overall length from the foremost part of the vessel to the aftermost part of the vessel, measured parallel to the centerline.

<sup>2</sup> Subchapters E (Load Lines), F (Marine Engineering), J (Electrical Engineering), N (Dangerous Cargoes), S (Subdivision and Stability), and W (Lifesaving Appliances and Arrangements) of this chapter may also be applicable under certain conditions. The provisions of 49 CFR parts 171 through 179 apply whenever packaged hazardous materials are on board vessels (including motorboats), except when specifically exempted by law.

<sup>3</sup> Public nautical schoolships, other than vessels of the Navy and Coast Guard, must meet the requirements of part 167 of subchapter R (Nautical Schools) of this chapter, Civilian nautical schoolships, as defined by 46 U.S.C. 1331, must meet the requirements of subchapter H (Passenger Vessels) and part 168 of subchapter R (Nautical Schools) of this chapter.

<sup>4</sup> Subchapter H (Passenger Vessels) of this chapter covers only those vessels of 100 gross tons or more, subchapter T (Small Passenger Vessels) of this chapter covers only those vessels of less than 100 gross tons, and subchapter K (Small Passenger Vessels) of this chapter covers only those vessels less than 100 gross tons carrying more than 150 passengers or overnight accommodations for more than 49 passengers.

<sup>5</sup> Vessels covered by subchapter H (Passenger Vessels) or I (Cargo and Miscellaneous Vessels) of this chapter, where the principal purpose or use of the vessel is not for the carriage of liquid cargo, may be granted a permit to carry a limited amount of flammable or combustible liquid cargo in bulk. The portion of the vessel used for the carriage of the flammable or combustible liquid cargo must meet the requirements of subchapter D (Tank Vessels) in addition to the requirements of subchapter H (Passenger Vessels) or I (Cargo and Miscellaneous Vessels) of this chapter.

<sup>6</sup> Any vessel on an international voyage is subject to the requirements of the International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS).

<sup>7</sup> The terms "passenger(s)" and "passenger(s)-for-hire" are as defined in 46 U.S.C. 2101(21)(21a). On oceanographic vessels, scientific personnel onboard shall not be deemed to be passengers nor seamen, but for calculations of lifesaving equipment, etc., must be counted as persons.

<sup>8</sup> Boilers and machinery are subject to examination on vessels over 40 feet in length.

<sup>9</sup> Under 46 U.S.C. 441 an oceanographic research vessel "... being employed exclusively in instruction in oceanography or limnology, or both, or exclusively in oceanographic research, ... Under 46 U.S.C. 443, "an oceanographic research vessel shall not be deemed to be engaged in trade or commerce." If or when an oceanographic vessel engages in trade or commerce, such vessel cannot operate under its certificate of inspection as an oceanographic vessel, but shall be inspected and certified for the service in which engaged, and the scientific personnel aboard then become persons employed in the business of the vessel.

<sup>10</sup> Bulk dangerous cargoes are cargoes specified in table 151.01-10(b); in table 1 of part 153, and in table 4 of



*part 154 of this chapter.*

<sup>11</sup> For manned tankbarges, see § 151.01-10(c) of this chapter.

<sup>12</sup> See § 151.01-15, 153.900(d), or 154.30 of this chapter as appropriate.

<sup>13</sup> Sail vessel means a vessel with no auxiliary machinery on board. If the vessel has auxiliary machinery, refer to motor vessels.

(b)

(1) A U.S.-flag towing vessel is subject to inspection and certifying regulations in subchapter M of this chapter except:

(i) A vessel less than 26 feet (7.92 meters) in length measured from end to end over the deck (excluding the sheer), unless that vessel is pushing, pulling, or hauling a barge that is carrying oil or hazardous material in bulk;

(ii) A vessel engaged in one or more of the following:

(A) Assistance towing as defined in § 136.110 of this chapter;

(B) Towing recreational vessels for salvage; or

(C) Transporting or assisting the navigation of recreational vessels within and between marinas and marina facilities, within a limited geographic area, as determined by the local Captain of the Port;

(iii) A workboat operating exclusively within a worksite and performing intermittent towing within the worksite;

(iv) A seagoing towing vessel of 300 gross tons or more subject to the provisions of subchapter I of this chapter;

(v) A vessel inspected under other subchapters of this chapter that may perform occasional towing;

(vi) A public vessel as defined in 46 U.S.C. 2101;

(vii) A vessel which has surrendered its Certificate of Inspection and is laid up, dismantled, or otherwise out of service; and

(viii) A propulsion unit used for the purpose of propelling or controlling the direction of a barge where the unit is controlled from the barge, is not normally manned, and is not utilized as an independent vessel.

(2) A towing vessel not subject to subchapter M of this chapter should refer to table 2.01-7 of this section.

(c) The specific application of regulations concerning inspecting and certifying vessels is set forth in the specific subchapter governing a particular class of vessels.

(1) For passenger vessels see part 70 of subchapter H (Passenger Vessels) of this chapter.

- (2) For cargo and miscellaneous vessels see part 90 of subchapter I (Cargo and Miscellaneous Vessels) of this chapter.
- (3) For tank vessels see part 30 of subchapter D (Tank Vessels) of this chapter.
- (4) For small passenger vessels see part 114 of subchapter K (Small Passenger Vessels Carrying More Than 150 Passengers or with Overnight Accommodations for More Than 49 Passengers) and part 175 of subchapter T (Small Passenger Vessels) of this chapter.
- (5) For uninspected vessels see part 24 of subchapter C (Uninspected Vessels) of this chapter.
- (6) For vessels carrying certain bulk dangerous cargoes see subchapter O of this chapter.
- (7) For towing vessels, see part 136 of subchapter M of this chapter.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965]

**Editorial Note:** For FEDERAL REGISTER citations affecting § 2.01-7, see the List of CFR Sections Affected, which appears in the Finding Aids section of the printed volume and at [www.govinfo.gov](http://www.govinfo.gov).

### § 2.01-8 Application of regulations to vessels or tankships on an international voyage.

- (a) Where, in various places or portions in this chapter, requirements are stipulated specifically for vessels on an international voyage or tankships on an international voyage, it is intended that these requirements apply only to vessels or tankships, as applicable, which are subject to the International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea, 1974.
- (b) For details regarding application of Convention requirements to tankships, see § 30.01-6 of this chapter; to passenger vessels, see § 70.05-10 of this chapter; to cargo ships other than tankships, see § 90.05-10 of this chapter; and to small passenger vessels, see §§ 115.900 and 176.900 of this chapter. (E.O. 11239, 30 FR 9671, 3 CFR, 1965 Supp.).

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 90-008, 55 FR 30659, July 26, 1990; USCG-1999-4976, 65 FR 6499, Feb. 9, 2000]

### § 2.01-10 Inspection requirements—domestic vessels.

- (a) If during the inspection of a vessel made at the request of the master, owner, or agent, the vessel or her equipment is found not to conform to the requirements of law or regulations in this chapter, the requirements which must be met will be listed on Form CG-835, Notice of Merchant Marine Inspection Requirements, and given to the master of the vessel.
- (b) The Coast Guard, on its own initiative, may examine or inspect or reinspect at any time any vessel subject to inspection under subtitle II, title 46 of the U.S. Code, title 46 and title 33 U.S. Code. If during such examination, inspection, or reinspection, any failure to comply with any applicable requirement of law and/or applicable regulations in this chapter, or any defects or imperfections become apparent tending to render the navigation of the vessel unsafe, or that repairs have become necessary, the Coast Guard will so notify the master and state what is required.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 95-028, 62 FR 51194, Sept. 30, 1997; USCG-2004-18884, 69 FR 58341, Sept. 30, 2004]

## § 2.01-13 Inspection requirements—foreign vessels.

- (a) Foreign vessels registered in countries which are parties to the effective International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea are normally subject to the examination provided for in chapter I of that Convention. However, in the case of any vessel involving novel features of design or construction, upon which that Convention is silent or which involve potential unusual operating risks, a more extensive inspection may be required when considered necessary to safeguard the life or property in United States ports where such vessel may enter. In such a case, pertinent plans and/or calculations may be required to be submitted sufficiently in advance to permit evaluation before inspection.
- (b) Foreign vessels registered in countries which are not parties to the effective International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea, or foreign vessels registered in countries which are parties to the effective Convention but which vessels are exempted from part or all of the Convention, may under conditions specified in applicable inspection laws be subject to inspection and certification as specified in regulations governing specific categories of vessels.
- (c) For details concerning application of regulations to foreign vessels, see part 30 (Tank Vessels), part 70 (Passenger Vessels), part 90 (Cargo and Miscellaneous Vessels), § 147.1 (Dangerous Cargoes), part 148 (Bulk Solid Hazardous Materials), parts 153 and 154 (Certain Bulk Dangerous Cargoes), and part 175 (Small Passenger Vessels) of this chapter.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 73-96, 42 FR 49022, Sept. 26, 1977; CGD 97-057, 62 FR 51041, Sept. 30, 1997]

## § 2.01-15 Vessel repairs.

- (a) No repairs or alterations affecting the safety of the vessel or its machinery shall be made unless applicable requirements in this chapter are met. The procedures to be followed in notifying the Coast Guard about vessel repairs vary according to the type of vessel and service in which engaged. The requirements are set forth in the subchapter governing a particular class of vessels or in a subchapter governing a particular subject as follows:
  - (1) For passenger vessels that are 100 gross tons or more, see §§ 71.55-1 and 71.60-1 of subchapter H (Passenger Vessels) of this chapter.
  - (2) For small passenger vessels under 100 gross tons, see either § 176.700 of subchapter T (Small Passenger Vessels) or § 115.700 of subchapter K (Small Passenger Vessels Carrying More than 150 Passengers or with Overnight Accommodations for more than 49 Passengers) of this chapter.
  - (3) For cargo and miscellaneous vessels, see §§ 91.45-1 and 91.50-1 of subchapter I (Cargo and Miscellaneous Vessels) of this chapter.
  - (4) For tank vessels, see §§ 31.10-25 and 35.01-1 of subchapter D (Tank Vessels) of this chapter.
  - (5) For public nautical schoolships, see §§ 167.30-1 and 167.30-10 of subchapter R (Nautical Schools) of this chapter.
  - (6) For oceanographic vessels, see §§ 189.45-1 and 189.50-1 of subchapter U (Oceanographic Vessels) of this chapter.
  - (7) For repairs to a vessel after it has been surveyed, see § 42.09-50 of subchapter E (Load Lines) of this chapter.

- (8) For repairs to boilers, pressure vessels, and appurtenances, see part 59 of subchapter F (Marine Engineering) of this chapter.
  - (9) For repairs to electrical installations or equipment, see §§ 111.05-5(e), 111.05-10(e), and 111.90-5 of subchapter J (Electrical Engineering) of this chapter.
  - (10) For vessels carrying compressed gases regulated by subchapter O (Certain Bulk Dangerous Cargoes), see § 151.50 30(c) of this chapter.
  - (11) For repairs to a vessel that affects its subdivision or stability, see § 170.005 of this chapter.
- (b) If repairs to a vessel are necessary, such a vessel may be permitted to proceed to another port for repairs, if, in the opinion of the marine inspector, it can be done with safety. The permit is granted by the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, upon request in writing by the master or owner of the vessel and is issued on Coast Guard Form CG-948, Permit to Proceed to Another Port for Repairs. The requirements for such permits are set forth in the subchapter governing a particular class of vessels as follows:
- (1) For passenger vessels that are 100 gross tons or more, see subpart 71.05 of subchapter H (Passenger Vessels) of this chapter.
  - (2) For small passenger vessels under 100 gross tons, see subpart B of subchapter T (Small Passenger Vessels) of this chapter.
  - (3) For cargo and miscellaneous vessels, see subpart 91.05 of subchapter I (Cargo and Miscellaneous Vessels) of this chapter.
  - (4) For tank vessels, see § 31.10-35 of subchapter D (Tank Vessels) of this chapter.
  - (5) For public nautical schoolships, see § 167.30-5 of subchapter R (Nautical Schools) of this chapter.
  - (6) For oceanographic vessels, see subpart 189.05 of subchapter U (Oceanographic Vessels) of this chapter.

[CGFR 68-126, 34 FR 9010, June 5, 1969, as amended by CGD 73-96, 42 FR 49023, Sept. 26, 1977; CGD 79-023, 48 FR 51006, Nov. 4, 1983; CGD 97-057, 62 FR 51041, Sept. 30, 1997; USCG-2004-18884, 69 FR 58341, Sept. 30, 2004]

## § 2.01-20 Suspension or revocation of certificates of inspection.

Under the authority of 46 U.S.C. 3313 and 46 U.S.C. 3710, a certificate of inspection issued to a vessel may be suspended or revoked if a vessel is found not to comply with the terms of its certificate or fails to meet a standard required by this chapter.

[CGD 95-028, 62 FR 51195, Sept. 30, 1997, as amended by USCG-1998-4442, 63 FR 52188, Sept. 30, 1998; USCG-2004-18884, 69 FR 58341, Sept. 30, 2004]

## § 2.01-25 International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea, 1974.

### (a) Certificates required.

- (1) The International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, requires one or more of the following certificates to be carried on board certain passenger, cargo or tankships engaged in international voyages:
  - (i) Passenger Ship Safety Certificate.

- (ii) Cargo Ship Safety Construction Certificate.
  - (iii) Cargo Ship Safety Equipment Certificate.
  - (iv) Cargo Ship Safety Radio Certificate.
  - (v) Nuclear Passenger Ship Safety Certificate.
  - (vi) Nuclear Cargo Ship Safety Certificate.
  - (vii) Safety Management Certificate.
  - (viii) International Ship Security Certificate.
  - (ix) High-Speed Craft Safety Certificate.
  - (x) Polar Ship Certificate.
- (2) The U.S. Coast Guard will issue through the Officer In Charge, Marine Inspection, the following certificates after performing an inspection or safety management audit of the vessel's systems and determining the vessel meets the applicable requirements:
- (i) Passenger Ship Safety Certificate.
  - (ii) Cargo Ship Safety Construction Certificate, except when issued to cargo ships by a Coast Guard recognized classification society at the option of the owner or agent.
  - (iii) Cargo Ships Safety Equipment Certificate.
  - (iv) Exemption Certificate.
  - (v) Nuclear Passenger Ship Safety Certificate.
  - (vi) Nuclear Cargo Ship Safety Certificate.
  - (vii) Safety Management Certificate, except when issued by a recognized organization authorized by the Coast Guard.
  - (viii) International Ship Security Certificate (ISSC).
  - (ix) High-Speed Craft Safety Certificate.
  - (x) Polar Ship Certificate.
- (3) When authorized by the Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, an authorized classification society may issue international convention certificates as permitted under part 8, subpart C, of this title.
- (4) The Federal Communications Commission will issue the following certificates:
- (i) Cargo Ship Safety Radio Certificate.
  - (ii) Exemption Certificate.

(b) **Applications.**

- (1) The application for inspection and issuance of a certificate or certificates is made on the appropriate form listed in § 2.01-1, or by letter, to the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, in or nearest the port at which the inspection is to be made and shall be signed by the master or agent of the vessel. The certificates previously issued are surrendered at the time the inspection is performed. Further details are set forth in subchapter D (Tank Vessels), subchapter H (Passenger Vessels), subchapter I (Cargo

and Miscellaneous Vessels), subchapter K (Small Passenger Vessels Carrying more than 150 Passengers or with overnight accommodations for more than 49 Passengers), subchapter L (Offshore Supply Vessels), subchapter O (Certain Bulk Dangerous Cargoes), subchapter T (Small Passenger Vessels), and subchapter U (Oceanographic Research Vessels), of this chapter.

- (2) For vessels other than passenger vessels, you must contact the local office of the Federal Communications Commission to apply for the inspection concerning the issuance of a Cargo Ship Safety Radio Certificate.

(c) **Certificates issued.**

- (1) If a vessel meets the applicable requirements of the Convention, it shall be issued appropriate certificates listed in paragraph (a) of this section. These certificates describe the vessel and state the vessel is in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Convention.
- (2) A Convention certificate may be withdrawn, revoked or suspended at any time when it is determined the vessel is no longer in compliance with applicable requirements. (See § 2.01-70 for appeal procedures.)

(d) **CG-969—Notice of Receipt of Application for Passenger Ship Safety Certificate.**

- (1) The Passenger Ship Safety Certificate is issued by the Commandant after determining all applicable requirements of the Convention have been met. In the event the completion of the certification of any passenger vessel cannot be effected prior to the sailing of the passenger ship on a foreign voyage, or in any case where the Passenger Ship Safety Certificate is not received from the Commandant before the ship sails on a foreign voyage, the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, will issue a completed Form CG-969, describing the passenger ship and certifying that an application for a Passenger Ship Safety Certificate is being processed, and that in his opinion the vessel meets applicable requirements of the Convention administered by the Coast Guard.
- (2) The completed Form CG-969 may be exhibited in explanation of the failure of the passenger ship to have on board a current Passenger Ship Safety Certificate. This completed form CG-969 may be accepted as prima facie evidence that the passenger ship described therein is in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Convention.

(e) **Exempted vessel.**

- (1) A vessel may be exempted by the Commandant from complying with certain requirements of the Convention under his administration upon request made in writing to him and transmitted via the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection. In such case the exemptions are stated in the Exemption Certificate, which is issued by the Commandant through the appropriate Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection.
- (2) The Federal Communications Commission issues the Exemption Certificate, which modifies the Cargo Ship Safety Radio Certificate.

(f) **Availability of Certificates.** The Convention certificates must be on board the vessel and readily available for examination at all times.

(g) **Foreign flag vessels.** At the request of the government of a country in which is registered a vessel engaged in an international voyage, such a vessel may be issued the applicable certificate or certificates listed in paragraph (a) of this section. The certificate will be issued only after inspection has been made by the issuing agency, providing the vessel is found to comply with the requirements of the Convention.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965]

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### § 2.01-30 Delegation of OCMI signature authority.

The Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, may redelegate signature authority for documents issued under this subpart to: one individual on his or her staff; and each Marine Safety Unit Commanding Officer within his or her Sector.

[USCG-2009-0702, 74 FR 49223, Sept. 25, 2009]

### § 2.01-40 Passengers or persons in addition to crew on cargo or tank vessels.

- (a) Under the authority of 46 U.S.C. 3304, a documented vessel transporting cargo may be allowed by its certificate of inspection to carry not more than 12 individuals in addition to the crew on international voyages and not more than 16 individuals in addition to the crew on other voyages.
- (b) The application for permission to carry persons in addition to the crew may be included in the application described in § 2.01-1. If granted it is endorsed on the certificate of inspection.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 95-028, 62 FR 51195, Sept. 30, 1997]

### § 2.01-45 Excursion permit.

- (a) Under 46 U.S.C. 2113, the Coast Guard may issue a permit to the owner, operator, or agent of a passenger vessel, allowing the vessel to engage in excursions that carry additional numbers of passengers, extend an existing route, or both. Details concerning the application process for excursion permits for inspected passenger vessels are contained in §§ 71.10, 115.204, or 176.204 of this chapter. Details concerning the application process for special permits for uninspected passenger vessels are contained in § 26.03-6 of this chapter.
- (b) For Marine Events of National Significance, as determined by the Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, a vessel may be permitted to engage in these events while carrying passengers-for-hire for the duration of the event. Event sponsors must request this determination in writing from the Commandant (CG-54) at least 1 year prior to the event. Details concerning the application process for special permits for Marine Events of National Significance are contained in § 26.03-8 of this chapter.
- (c) The application for an excursion permit is made by the master, owner, or agent of the vessel to the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, on Coast Guard Form CG-950, Application for Excursion Permit. If, after inspection, permission is granted, it is given on Coast Guard form CG-949, Permission to Carry Excursion Party. The permit describes the vessel, the route over which and the period during which the excursions may be made, and the safety equipment required for the additional persons indicated.

[USCG-1999-5040, 67 FR 34767, May 15, 2002]

### § 2.01-50 Persons other than crew on towing, oyster, or fishing steam vessels.

- (a) A steam vessel engaged in towing, oyster dredging and planting, and fishing may be permitted to carry persons in addition to its crew.
- (b) The application for a permit to carry such persons may be included in the application described in § 2.01-1. If granted it is endorsed on the certificate of inspection.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 95-028, 62 FR 51195, Sept. 30, 1997]

### § 2.01-60 Overtime compensation.

- (a) **General.** Extra compensations for overtime services performed by inspectors of vessels and their assistants who may be required to remain on duty between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. or on Sundays or holidays to perform services in connection with the inspection of vessels or their equipment, supplying or signing on or discharging crews of vessels is authorized by 46 U.S.C. 2111 and regulations in part 9 of this chapter, together with the method of computing such extra compensation.
- (b) **Application and certification of time.** Application for the performance of such overtime services and certification of services performed is made by the master, owner, or agent of a vessel to the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, on Form CG-830, Application for and Certificate of Overtime Service.
- (c) **Collection.** The bill for the collection of the overtime compensation is submitted by the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection to the master, owner, or agent on whose vessel overtime services are performed on Form CG-832, Bill for Collection Overtime Services. Payment is made to the Collector of Customs of the port designated.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 97-057, 62 FR 51041, Sept. 30, 1997; USCG-2000-7790, 65 FR 58458, Sept. 29, 2000]

### § 2.01-70 Right of appeal.

Any person directly affected by a decision or action taken under this part, by or on behalf of the Coast Guard, may appeal therefrom in accordance with subpart 1.03 of this chapter.

[CGD 88-033, 54 FR 50379, Dec. 6, 1989]

### § 2.01-80 Vessel inspections in Alaska.

- (a) The waters of southeastern Alaska inside of the general trend of the shore from Cape Spencer, southeasterly to Cape Muzon, and thence easterly to Sitklan Island, shall be considered as bays, sounds, and lakes other than the Great Lakes, for the purpose of administering the vessel inspection laws and applicable regulations in this chapter.

### Subpart 2.10—Fees

**Source:** CGD 91-030, 60 FR 13563, Mar. 13, 1995, unless otherwise noted.



### § 2.10-1 Applicability.

- (a) This subpart establishes inspection and examination fees for all owners or operators requesting certification, including those for vessels that are required to have a Certificate of Inspection and those required to have a Certificate of Compliance.
- (b) The fees in this subpart do not apply to:
  - (1) Vessels being inspected for the initial issuance of a Certificate of Inspection;
  - (2) Foreign passenger vessels;
  - (3) Training vessels operated by State maritime academies;
  - (4) Public vessels of the United States except for Maritime Administration vessels; and
  - (5) Publicly owned ferries.

[CGD 91-030, 60 FR 13563, Mar. 13, 1995, as amended by CGD 96-067, 62 FR 19232, Apr. 21, 1997; USCG-2010-0759, 75 FR 60001, Sept. 29, 2010; USCG-2013-0671, 78 FR 60144, Sept. 30, 2013]

### § 2.10-5 Exemptions.

- (a) Vessels owned or operated by a non-profit organization may be exempted from payment of the fees required by this subpart, only if the vessel is used exclusively for one or more of the following:
  - (1) Training youth in boating, seamanship, or navigation skills;
  - (2) Educating youth in a course of marine environmental studies;
  - (3) Providing excursions for persons with disabilities as defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) [42 U.S.C. 12102(2)]; or
  - (4) Providing medical services.
- (b) Vessels owned or operated by the Federal government or the government of any State or political subdivision thereunder may be exempted from the fees required by this subpart provided the vessel is used exclusively for one or more of the purposes listed in paragraph (a) of this section.
- (c) The term *used exclusively* in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section does not preclude:
  - (1) The carriage of adult volunteers or crew, or
  - (2) The vessel's use for fundraising activities without regard to the age of the participants aboard the vessel, provided revenues raised are for the operation and maintenance of the vessel and that such fundraising activities do not exceed one day of fundraising for each month of the vessel's operating season.
- (d) Vessel owners or operators may submit a written request for exemption to the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, of the Marine Inspection Zone in which the vessel normally operates. The exemption request must provide the vessel name, the vessel identification number, and evidence that the organization and the vessel meet the criteria set forth in this section. The Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection will endorse and forward the request to Commandant (CG-DCO-83) for decision.

[CGD 96-067, 62 FR 19232, Apr. 21, 1997, as amended by CGD 96-067, 63 FR 59474, Nov. 4, 1998; USCG-2010-0759, 75 FR 60001, Sept. 29, 2010]

## § 2.10-10 Waivers.

The Commandant (CG-DCO-83) will waive collection of vessel inspection fees in this subpart for a Federally-owned or operated vessel if the fee would be directly paid by an agency acting as the vessel owner using Federal appropriated funds. By October 1 of each year, Federal agencies shall provide Commandant (CG-DCO-83) with a list of the names and vessel identification numbers of vessels for which a fee waiver is requested.

[CGD 91-030, 60 FR 13563, Mar. 13, 1995, as amended by CGD 95-072, 60 FR 50459, Sept. 29, 1995; CGD 96-041, 61 FR 50725, Sept. 27, 1996; USCG-2010-0759, 75 FR 60001, Sept. 29, 2010]

## § 2.10-20 General requirements.

- (a) Unless otherwise specified, vessel owners must pay the fees required by this subpart before inspection or examination services are provided.
- (b) Fees required by this subpart must be paid in U.S. currency by check or money order, drawn on a U.S. bank, and made payable to the U.S. Treasury. Payment may also be made by credit card or wire transfer.
- (c) All payments must be accompanied by the vessel name and its vessel identification number.
- (d) Unless otherwise specified or if payment is made through [www.pay.gov](http://www.pay.gov), fees required by this subpart must be submitted using one of the following methods:
  - (1) For COI and COC Inspections:
    - (i) For payment by credit card, online through [www.pay.gov](http://www.pay.gov), or U.S. Coast Guard Finance Center (OGR), 1430A Kristina Way, Chesapeake, VA 23326.
    - (ii) For payment by check, made payable to U.S. Treasury, with delivery by postal service, USCG Vessel Inspections Fees, P.O. Box 979118, St. Louis, MO 63197-9000.
    - (iii) For payment by check, made payable to U.S. Treasury, with delivery by overnight courier, USCG Vessel Inspection Fees, Lockbox No. 979118, U.S. Bank Government Lockbox, 1005 Convention Plaza, ATTN: GOVERNMENT LOCKBOX, SL-MOC1 GL, St. Louis, MO 63101.
  - (2) For Overseas Inspection Fees:
    - (i) For payment by credit card, U.S. Coast Guard Finance Center (OGR), 1430A Kristina Way, Chesapeake, VA 23326.
    - (ii) For payment by check, made payable to U.S. Treasury, with delivery by postal service, USCG User Fees, P.O. Box 979125, St. Louis, MO 63197-9000.
    - (iii) For payment by check, made payable to U.S. Treasury, with delivery by overnight courier, USCG User Fees, Lockbox No. 979125, U.S. Bank Government Lockbox, 1005 Convention Plaza, ATTN: GOVERNMENT LOCKBOX, SL-MOC1 GL, St. Louis, MO 63101.
- (e) For purposes of this subpart, the address for Commandant (CG-DCO-83), Attn: Office of Budget Execution, U.S. Coast Guard Stop 7318, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20593-7318.
- (f) Information concerning a vessel's user fee anniversary date may be obtained from any Coast Guard Coast Guard Sector, Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, or Marine Safety Detachment.

[CGD 91-030, 60 FR 13563, Mar. 13, 1995, as amended by CGD 95-072, 60 FR 50459, Sept. 29, 1995; CGD 96-041, 61 FR 50725, Sept. 27, 1996; USCG-2010-0759, 75 FR 60001, Sept. 29, 2010; USCG-2011-0618, 76 FR 60753, Sept. 30, 2011; USCG-2012-0832, 77 FR 59773, Oct. 1, 2012; USCG-2018-0874, 84 FR 30881, June 28, 2019]

## § 2.10-25 Definitions.

The following definitions apply to this subpart:

**Alternative Compliance Program option** means the option described in 46 CFR part 8, subpart D.

**Annual vessel inspection fee** means the fee charged for inspection and related services provided by the Coast Guard to determine whether a vessel meets the requirements to maintain its Certificate of Inspection.

**Coast Guard option** means an option used by—

- (1) A vessel inspected under a 46 CFR subchapter that is not participating in the Alternative Compliance Program described in 46 CFR part 8, subpart D;
- (2) A vessel inspected under a 46 CFR subchapter that is not participating in the Streamlined Inspection Program described in 46 CFR part 8, subpart E; or
- (3) A vessel inspected under 46 CFR subchapter M that is not participating in the Towing Safety Management System option described in 46 CFR part 138.

**Drill ship MODU** means a mobile offshore drilling unit with a ship shape displacement hull intended for operation in the floating condition.

**Ferry** means a vessel that is used on a regular schedule—

- (1) To provide transportation only between places that are not more than 300 miles apart; and
- (2) To transport only—
  - (i) Passengers; or
  - (ii) Vehicles, or railroad cars, that are being used, or have been used, in transporting passengers or goods.

**Freight barge** means a non-self-propelled vessel carrying freight for hire.

**Freight ship** means a self-propelled freight vessel.

**Freight vessel** means a motor vessel of more than 15 gross tons that carries freight for hire, except an oceanographic research vessel or an offshore supply vessel.

**Industrial vessel** means a vessel which, by reason of its special outfit, purpose, design, or function engages in certain industrial ventures. For the purposes of this subpart, this classification includes such vessels as dredges, cable layers, derrick barges, and construction and wrecking barges, but does not include vessels which carry passengers or freight for hire, OSVs, oceanographic research vessels, or vessels engaged in the fisheries.

**Liquefied gas tankship** means a self-propelled vessel equipped with cargo tanks primarily designed to carry liquefied or compressed gases in bulk.

**Mobile offshore drilling unit (MODU)** means a vessel capable of engaging in drilling operations for the exploration or exploitation of subsea resources that is: seagoing and 300 or more gross tons and self-propelled by machinery; Seagoing and 100 or more gross tons and non-self-propelled; or more than 65 feet in length and propelled by steam.

**Nautical school vessel** means a vessel operated by or in connection with a nautical school or an educational institution under section 13 of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 1986, Public Law 99-640.

**Non-profit organization** means an organization under Internal Revenue Code (I.R.C.) section 501(c) which is exempt for the purposes of federal income taxation.

**Oceanographic research vessel** means a vessel that is being employed only in instruction in oceanography or limnology, or both, or only in oceanographic or limnological research, including those studies about the sea such as seismic, gravity meter, and magnetic exploration and other marine geophysical or geological surveys, atmospheric research, and biological research.

**Offshore supply vessel or OSV** means a vessel that—

- (1) Is propelled by machinery other than steam;
- (2) Does not meet the definition of a passenger-carrying vessel in 46 U.S.C. 2101(22) or 46 U.S.C. 2101(35);
- (3) Is more than 15 gross tons; and
- (4) Regularly carries goods, supplies, individuals in addition to the crew, or equipment in support of exploration, exploitation, or production of offshore mineral or energy resources.

**Passenger barge** means a non-self-propelled passenger vessel, including a prison barge or a barge which carries occupied recreational vehicles.

**Passenger ship** means a self-propelled passenger vessel.

**Passenger vessel** means a vessel of at least 100 gross tons:

- (1) Carrying more than 12 passengers, including at least one passenger for hire;
- (2) That is chartered and carrying more than 12 passengers;
- (3) That is a submersible vessel carrying at least one passenger for hire; or
- (4) That is a ferry carrying a passenger.

**Political subdivision** means a county, district, parish, township, city or similar governmental entity established within a State.

**Publicly owned** means, owned by

- (1) the federal government, or
- (2) the government of any State or political subdivision thereunder.

**Sailing school vessel** means a vessel of less than 500 gross tons, carrying more than 6 individuals who are sailing school instructors or sailing school students, principally equipped for propulsion by sail even if the vessel has an auxiliary means of propulsion, and owned or demise chartered and operated by a qualified organization during such times as the vessel is operated exclusively for the purposes of sailing instruction.

**Seagoing towing vessel** means a commercial vessel 300 gross tons or more engaged in or intending to engage in the service of pulling, pushing, or hauling alongside, or any combination of pulling, pushing, or hauling alongside, and that makes voyages beyond the Boundary Line as defined by 46 U.S.C. 103, and has been issued a Certificate of Inspection under the provisions of subchapter I of this chapter.

**Self-elevating MODU** means a mobile offshore drilling unit with movable legs capable of raising its hull above the surface of the sea.

**Semi-submersible MODU** means a mobile offshore drilling unit with the main deck connected to an underwater hull by columns or caissons, that is intended for drilling operations in the floating condition.

**Small passenger vessel** means a vessel of less than 100 gross tons:

- (1) Carrying more than 6 passengers, including at least 1 passenger for hire;
- (2) That is chartered with the crew provided or specified by the owner or the owner's representative and carrying more than 6 passengers;
- (3) That is chartered with no crew provided or specified by the owner or the owner's representative and carrying more than 12 passengers;
- (4) That is a submersible vessel carrying at least one passenger for hire; or
- (5) That is a ferry carrying more than 6 passengers.

**State** means a State of the United States, Guam, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, the District of Columbia, the Northern Mariana Islands and any other territory or possession of the United States.

**Streamlined Inspection Program option** means the option described in 46 CFR part 8, subpart E.

**Submersible MODU** means a mobile offshore drilling unit intended for drilling operations in the bottom-bearing condition, having the main deck connected to an underwater hull or pontoons by way of columns or caissons.

**Submersible vessel** means a vessel that is capable of operating below the surface of the water.

**Tank barge** means any tank vessel not equipped with means of propulsion.

**Tank vessel** means a vessel that is constructed or adapted to carry, or that carries, oil or hazardous material in bulk as cargo or cargo residue.

**Tankship** means any tank vessel propelled by power or sail, including an integrated tug and barge designed to operate together only in the pushing mode.

**Towing Safety Management System option** means the option described in 46 CFR part 138 for towing vessels subject to 46 CFR subchapter M.

**Towing vessel** means a commercial vessel engaged in or intending to engage in the service of pulling, pushing, or hauling alongside, or any combination of pulling, pushing, or hauling alongside.

**User fee anniversary date** means the date on which a vessel's annual inspection fee is due each year. Once established by the Coast Guard, a vessel's user fee anniversary date remains fixed for as long as the vessel remains in service.

**Vessel identification number** (VIN) means a U.S. official number, a number assigned by a State, a number assigned by the Coast Guard, or a Lloyd's Register of Shipping identification number issued to a U.S. or foreign commercial vessel for purposes of vessel identification. For U.S. vessels, VIN means the number listed on the Certificate of Inspection. For foreign vessels, VIN means either the Lloyd's Register of Shipping identification number or the number assigned by the Coast Guard.

**Youth** means an individual 21 years of age or younger.

[CGD 91-030, 60 FR 13563, Mar. 13, 1995, as amended by CGD 96-067, 62 FR 19232, Apr. 21, 1997; CGD 97-057, 62 FR 51041, Sept. 30, 1997; CGD 96-067, 63 FR 59474, Nov. 4, 1998; USCG 2008-1107; 74 FR 63628, Dec. 4, 2009; USCG-2012-0208, 79 FR 48924, Aug. 18, 2014; USCG-2006-24412, 81 FR 40100, June 20, 2016; USCG-2018-0538, 88 FR 89607, Dec. 28, 2023]

### § 2.10-101 Annual vessel inspection fee.

- (a)
  - (1) Unless otherwise provided by this subpart, each vessel required to have a Certificate of Inspection is subject to the annual vessel inspection fee listed in table 2.10-101 for its vessel category.
  - (2) A vessel certificated for more than one service must pay only the higher of the two applicable fees in table 2.10-101 of this section.
- (b) The vessel owner or operator must pay the annual vessel inspection fee each year on or before the vessel's user fee anniversary date, unless the fee has been prepaid under § 2.10-105 of this subpart.
- (c) Payment of the annual vessel inspection fee entitles a vessel to all inspection services related to compliance with its Certificate of Inspection, including but not limited to the inspection for renewal of the Certificate of Inspection, reinspections (annual and periodic inspections), hull (drydock) inspections, deficiency inspections, damage surveys, repair and modification inspections, change in vessel service inspections, permit to proceed inspections, drydock extension inspections, and all inspections required for the issuance of international certificates.
- (d) Entitlement to inspection services for the current year remains with the vessel if it is sold. The entitlement to inspection services may not be transferred to any other vessel.

**TABLE 2.10-101—ANNUAL VESSEL INSPECTION FEES FOR U.S. AND FOREIGN VESSELS REQUIRING A CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION**

Any inspected vessel not listed in this table	\$1,030
Freight Barges:	
Length not greater than 150 feet	495
More than 150 feet but not more than 300 feet	610
More than 300 feet	955

*\* Note: Eligibility for the reduced annual vessel inspection fee for Offshore Supply Vessels is contingent upon the vessel's continued acceptance in the alternative reinspection program by the cognizant Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection.*

Freight Ships:	
Length not greater than 100 feet	1,425
More than 100 feet but no more than 300 feet	1,870
More than 300 feet	5,410
Industrial Vessels:	
Length not greater than 200 feet	1,435
More than 200 feet	2,550
Mobile Offshore Drilling Units (MODUs):	
Drill ship MODUs	6,710
Submersible MODUs	4,695
Self-elevating MODUs	4,695
Semi-submersible MODUs	8,050
Nautical School Vessels:	
Length not greater than 100 feet	835
More than 100 feet but not more than 200 feet	1,450
More than 200 feet	7,205
Oceanographic Research Vessels:	
Length not greater than 170 feet	840
More than 170 feet but not more than 240 feet	1,980
More than 240 feet	3,610
Offshore Supply Vessels:	
Length not greater than 140 feet	1,135
More than 140 feet	1,470
Offshore Supply Vessels: Alternate Reinspection Program *:	
Length not greater than 140 feet	940
More than 140 feet	1,260
Passenger Barges:	
Less than 100 gross tons and:	
Less than 65 feet in length	300
65 feet or more in length	600
100 gross tons or more and:	
Certified for fewer than 150 passengers	2,215
Certified for 150 or more passengers	2,525
Passenger Ships:	
Length not greater than 250 feet:	
Certified for fewer than 150 passengers	3,600
Certified for 150 or more passengers	4,050
More than 250 feet but not more than 350 feet	5,330

*\* Note: Eligibility for the reduced annual vessel inspection fee for Offshore Supply Vessels is contingent upon the vessel's continued acceptance in the alternative reinspection program by the cognizant Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection.*

More than 350 feet but not more than 450 feet	6,835
More than 450 feet	14,650
Sailing School Vessels:	
Length not greater than 30 feet	530
More than 30 feet but not more than 65 feet	560
More than 65 feet	980
Seagoing Towing Vessels (Inspected under 46 CFR Subchapter I):	
Coast Guard option	2,747
Alternative Compliance Program option	1,850
Streamlined Inspection Program option	2,260
Small Passenger Vessels:	
Less than 65 feet in length	300
65 feet or more in length	600
Tank Barges	500
Tankships:	
Length not greater than 100 feet	1,295
More than 100 feet but not more than 300 feet	2,310
More than 300 feet	5,805
Liquefied Gas Tankships	12,120
Towing Vessels (Inspected under 46 CFR Subchapter M):	
Coast Guard option	2,184
Towing Safety Management System option	973

*\* Note: Eligibility for the reduced annual vessel inspection fee for Offshore Supply Vessels is contingent upon the vessel's continued acceptance in the alternative reinspection program by the cognizant Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection.*

[CGD 91-030, 60 FR 13563, Mar. 13, 1995, as amended by CGD 96-067, 62 FR 19232, Apr. 21, 1997; USCG-2004-18884, 69 FR 58341, Sept. 30, 2004; USCG-2010-0759, 75 FR 60001, Sept. 29, 2010; USCG-2018-0538, 88 FR 89608, Dec. 28, 2023]

## § 2.10-105 Prepayment of annual vessel inspection fees.

- (a) Vessel owners may prepay the annual vessel inspection fee for any period of not less than three years, and not more than the design life or remaining expected service life of the vessel.
- (b) To prepay the annual vessel inspection fee for a period of three or more years, the owner must submit a written request to Commandant (CG-DCO-83) specifying the vessel identification number and the period for which prepayment is to be made.
- (c) The total of the annual fees for the requested prepayment period will be discounted to its net present value using the following formula:



$$PV = \sum_{t=0}^n \frac{R_0(1+\pi)^t}{(1+i)^t}$$

Where:

PV is the Present Value of the series of annual user fees to be prepaid (the net amount to be prepaid)

$R_0$  is the published user fee of the vessel

$i$  is the interest rate for 10-year Treasury notes at the time of prepayment calculation

$\pi$  is the rate of inflation (based on projected military personnel costs at the time of prepayment calculation)

$n$  is the total number of years to be prepaid

$t$  is the number of years after prepayment of the fee, for each annual increment ( $t = 0, 1, 2, 3 \dots n$ )

- (d) When the annual vessel inspection fee has been prepaid, the entitlement to inspection services for the prepayment period attaches to the vessel and remains with the vessel if it is sold. The entitlement to inspection services may not be transferred to any other vessel.
- (e) If a vessel is removed from Coast Guard certification and the vessel owner surrenders the vessel's Certificate of Inspection, the owner may request a refund of the remaining prepayment amount. The annual vessel inspection fee will not be refunded for the year in which the Certificate of Inspection is surrendered. The request for refund must be submitted to the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection to whom the Certificate of Inspection is surrendered. The Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection will endorse and forward the request to Commandant (CG-DCO-83) for decision.

[CGD 91-030, 60 FR 13563, Mar. 13, 1995, as amended by CGD 95-072, 60 FR 50459, Sept. 29, 1995; CGD 96-041, 61 FR 50725, Sept. 27, 1996; USCG-1999-6216, 64 FR 53223, Oct. 1, 1999; USCG-2010-0759, 75 FR 60001, Sept. 29, 2010]

### § 2.10-115 Changes in vessel service.

- (a) If a vessel certificated for a single service, changes service, the annual vessel inspection fee is not adjusted during the year in which a change in service occurs. The annual vessel inspection fee for the new vessel category is payable on the vessel's user fee anniversary date immediately following the date of the change in service.
- (b) If a change in service occurs and the annual vessel inspection fee has been prepaid, Commandant (CG-DCO-83) will recalculate the prepayment amount based on the new vessel category and advise the owner of available prepayment options.

[CGD 91-030, 60 FR 13563, Mar. 13, 1995, as amended by CGD 95-072, 60 FR 50459, Sept. 29, 1995; CGD 96-041, 61 FR 50725, Sept. 27, 1996; USCG-2004-18884, 69 FR 58341, Sept. 30, 2004 ; USCG-2010-0759, 75 FR 60000, Sept. 29, 2010]

### § 2.10-120 Overseas inspection and examination fees.

- (a) In addition to any other fee required by this subpart, an overseas inspection and examination fee of \$4,585 must be paid for each vessel inspection and examination conducted outside the United States and its territories. This fee does not apply to vessel inspections and examinations conducted in Canada, Mexico, or the British Virgin Islands.
- (b) The overseas inspection and examination fee for each vessel must be received before an overseas inspection or examination is conducted.

[CGD 91-030, 60 FR 13563, Mar. 13, 1995, as amended by USCG-2013-0671, 78 FR 60144, Sept. 30, 2013]

### § 2.10-125 Fees for examination of foreign tankships.

Each foreign tankship of a country party to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 as amended, must pay:

- (a) For examination for the issuance of a Certificate of Compliance under § 2.01-6(a)(2)(i) of this part, or examination for the annual endorsement to a Certificate of Compliance, a fee of \$1,100.
- (b) For examination for the issuance of a Tank Vessel Examination Letter under § 2.01-6(a)(3) of this part, a fee of \$1,100.

[CGD 91-030, 60 FR 13563, Mar. 13, 1995, as amended by USCG-2010-0759, 75 FR 60001, Sept. 29, 2010]

### § 2.10-130 Fees for examination of foreign mobile offshore drilling units.

Each foreign mobile offshore drilling unit must pay:

- (a) For examination for the issuance of a Certificate of Compliance indicating compliance with the design and equipment standards of either the documenting nation or the International Maritime Organization Code for Construction and Equipment of Mobile Offshore Drilling Units, a fee of \$1,830.
- (b) For examination for the issuance of a Certificate of Compliance indicating compliance with the design and equipment standards of 46 CFR part 108, the inspection fee listed in table 2.10-101 of this subpart for the same type of mobile offshore drilling unit.

[CGD 91-030, 60 FR 13563, Mar. 13, 1995, as amended by USCG-2010-0759, 75 FR 60001, Sept. 29, 2010]

### § 2.10-135 Penalties.

- (a) A vessel owner or operator who fails to pay a fee or charge established under this subpart is liable to the United States Government for a civil penalty.
- (b) In addition to the fees established in this subpart, the Coast Guard may recover collection and enforcement costs associated with delinquent payments of, or failure to pay, a fee. Coast Guard inspection and examination services may also be withheld pending payment of outstanding fees owed to the Coast Guard for inspection and examination services provided.

- (c) Each District Commander or Officer in Charge Marine Inspection may request the Secretary of the Treasury, or the authorized representative thereof, to withhold or revoke the clearance required by 46 U.S.C. app. 91 of a vessel for which a fee or charge established under this part has not been paid or until a bond is posted for the payment.

[CGD 91-030, 60 FR 13563, Mar. 13, 1995, as amended by CGD 96-052, 62 FR 16703, Apr. 8, 1997]

## Subpart 2.20—Reports and Forms

### § 2.20-40 Chief engineer's reports.

- (a) Repairs to boilers and pressure vessels. The chief engineer is required to report any repairs to boilers or unfired pressure vessels in accordance with §§ 33.25-5, 78.33-1, and 97.30-1 of this chapter.
- (b) The chief engineer of any vessel is required to report any accident to a boiler, unfired pressure vessel, or machinery tending to render the further use of the item unsafe until repairs are made by §§ 35.25-5, 78.33-5, and 97.30-5 of this chapter.
- (c) When fusible plugs in boilers are renewed at a time other than the inspection for certification and there is no marine inspector in attendance at the renewal, the chief engineer must report the renewal of the fusible plugs by letter to the OCMI who issued the certificate of inspection. This letter report must contain the following information:
  - (1) Name and official number of vessel.
  - (2) Date of renewal of fusible plugs.
  - (3) Number and location of fusible plugs renewed in each boiler.
  - (4) Manufacturer and heat number of each plug.
  - (5) Reason for renewal.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGFR 68-82, 33 FR 18804, Dec. 18, 1968; USCG-2004-18884, 69 FR 58341, Sept. 30, 2004]

### § 2.20-50 Repairs or alterations in lifesaving or fire prevention equipment.

No repairs or alterations shall be made to any lifesaving or fire-detecting or fire-extinguishing equipment, except in an emergency, without advance notice to the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection. See §§ 78.33-10 and 97.30-10 of this chapter.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 97-057, 62 FR 51041, Sept. 30, 1997; USCG-2004-18884, 69 FR 58341, Sept. 30, 2004]

## Subpart 2.45—Classification Society Activities

**Source:** 77 FR 47551, Aug. 9, 2012, unless otherwise noted.

## § 2.45-1 Definitions.

The following definitions apply to this subpart:

**Administration** means the Government of the State whose flag the ship is entitled to fly.

**Classification society** means an organization that, at a minimum, verifies that a vessel meets requirements embodying the technical rules, regulations, standards, guidelines and associated surveys, and inspections covering the design, construction, and/or through life compliance of a ship's structure and essential engineering and electrical systems.

**Recognized Organization (RO)** means an organization authorized to act on behalf of an Administration.

**Regional port state control secretariat** means an organization established to collect and maintain port state control inspection data in addition to other functions under a regional agreement among countries.

## § 2.45-5 Incorporation by reference.

- (a) Certain material is incorporated by reference into this part with the approval of the Director of the Federal Register under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. To enforce any edition other than that specified in this section, the Coast Guard must publish notice of change in the FEDERAL REGISTER and the material must be available to the public. All approved material is available for inspection at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202-741-6030 or go to [http://www.archives.gov/federal\\_register/code\\_of\\_federal\\_regulations/ibr\\_locations.html](http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal_regulations/ibr_locations.html). Also, it is available for inspection at the Coast Guard Headquarters. Contact Commandant (CG-ENG), Attn: Office of Design and Engineering Systems, U.S. Coast Guard Stop 7509, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20593-7509, and is available from the sources indicated in this section.
- (b) International Maritime Organization, 4 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7SR, U.K. + 44 (0)20 7735 7611, <http://www.imo.org/>.
  - (1) IMO Resolution A.739(18), Guidelines for the Authorization of Organizations Acting on Behalf of the Administration, adopted 4 November 1993, incorporation by reference approved for § 2.45-15.
  - (2) [Reserved]

## § 2.45-10 General.

- (a) A classification society (including an employee or agent of that society) must not review, examine, survey, or certify the construction, repair, or alteration of a vessel in the United States unless it is approved under the provisions of this subpart.
- (b) This subpart applies to a recognized organization that meets the definition of a classification society provided in § 2.45-1 of this subpart.

## § 2.45-15 Approval requirements.

- (a) A classification society may be approved for purpose of § 2.45-10 if the following conditions are met:
  - (1) Vessels surveyed by the classification society must have a worldwide port state control detention rate of less than 2 percent based on the number of Recognized Organization (RO)-related detentions divided by the number of vessel inspections for at least 40 port state control inspections for the past 3 years;

- (2) The classification society must not be identified in the most recent publication of "Port State Control in the United States" as a Priority I and as having more than one RO-related detention for the past 3 years;
- (3) The classification society must comply with the minimum standards for an RO recommended in IMO Resolution A.739(18), Appendix 1 (incorporated by reference, see § 2.45-5.);
- (4) The classification society must be an RO for at least one country under a formal written agreement that includes all of the elements described in IMO Resolution A.739(18), Appendix 2 (incorporated by reference, see § 2.45-5.);
- (5) The referenced country that is cited for satisfaction of the requirement of paragraph (a)(4) of this section for which the classification society is an RO—
  - (i) Must be signatory to each of the following: The International Safety of Life at Sea Convention (SOLAS), the International Convention on the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL 73/78), the International Convention on Load Lines (ICLL), 1966, and the Protocol of 1988 relating to the ICLL, 1966; and
  - (ii) Must not be identified as a flag state targeted for additional port state control action by the Coast Guard or any regional port state control secretariat.
- (6) The classification society must use a system to—
  - (i) Make its safety records and those of persons acting on behalf of the classification society available to the Coast Guard in electronic format;
  - (ii) Provide its safety records and those of persons acting on behalf of the classification society to another classification society that requests those records for the purpose of conducting surveys of vessels; and
  - (iii) Request the safety records of a vessel to be surveyed from any other classification society that previously surveyed that vessel.
- (b) Where sufficient performance records are not available from a regional port state control secretariat, the Coast Guard may consider an equivalent safety performance indicator proposed by the classification society seeking approval.

### § 2.45-20 Probation, suspension, and revocation.

- (a) A classification society approved for the purpose of this subpart must maintain the minimum requirements for approval set forth in § 2.45-15.
- (b) If an approved classification society fails to maintain compliance with paragraph (a) of this section, the Coast Guard may place the classification society approval on probation, or suspend or revoke the classification society's approval, as appropriate.
- (c) **Probation.** A classification society on probation is approved for the purpose of this subpart. The probation continues until the next review of the classification society's compliance with paragraph (a) of this section.
  - (1) If the review shows that compliance with paragraph (a) of this section is achieved, the probation may end.

- (2) If the review shows significant improvement but compliance with paragraph (a) of this section is not achieved, the probation may be extended.
  - (3) If the review does not show significant improvement, and compliance with paragraph (a) of this section is not achieved, the approval may be suspended.
- (d) **Suspension.** A classification society whose approval is suspended is not approved for the purpose of this subpart. Suspension will continue until the next review of the classification society's compliance with paragraph (a) of this section.
- (1) If the review shows compliance with paragraph (a) of this section, the classification society's approval may be restored.
  - (2) If the review shows significant improvement toward compliance with paragraph (a) of this section, the suspension may be extended.
  - (3) If the review does not show significant improvement and compliance with paragraph (a) of this section, the classification society's approval may be revoked.
- (e) **Revocation.** A classification society whose approval is revoked is not approved for the purpose of this subpart. The classification society may reapply for approval when the requirements of § 2.45-15 are met.
- (f) The Coast Guard's Office of Design and Engineering Standards (CG-ENG) administers probations, suspensions, and revocations and makes all related notifications to affected classification societies.

### § 2.45-25 Application for approval.

- (a) An application for approval must be made in writing and in the English language to Commandant (CG-ENG), Attn: Office of Design and Engineering Systems, U.S. Coast Guard Stop 7509, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20593-7509.
- (b) The application must—
  - (1) Indicate the type of work the classification society intends to perform on vessels in the United States;
  - (2) Include documentation demonstrating that the classification society complies with § 2.45-15;
  - (3) Contain a list of the vessels surveyed by the classification society over the previous 3 calendar years. The list must include vessel names, flags, and IMO numbers, as well as initial vessel inspections and detentions; and
  - (4) Provide a summary of the safety records of vessels the classification society surveys for each of the previous 3 calendar years, including initial vessel inspections and detentions for all data contained in regional port state control Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) and other port state control data sources, including the U.S. Coast Guard.
- (c) An application submitted in accordance with 46 CFR part 8, subpart B satisfies the application requirements of paragraph (a) of this section, provided the applicant:
  - (1) Has been notified in writing by the Commandant that it met the criteria to be a recognized classification society, and its recognized status has not been revoked, under 46 CFR part 8, subpart B;
  - (2) Submits in writing and in the English language to the address in paragraph (a) of this section a statement that the applicant is applying for approval under this subpart; and

- (3) Certifies in the submission under paragraph (c)(2) of this section that the information in the application submitted under 46 CFR part 8, subpart B remains valid.

## § 2.45-30 Penalties.

The owner, charterer, managing operator, agent, master, or individual in charge of a vessel that employs a classification society to review, examine, survey, or certify the construction, repair, or alteration of a vessel in the United States is subject to civil penalties in accordance with Title 46 U.S.C. 3318 if the classification society is not approved by the Coast Guard under this subpart.

## Subpart 2.50—Penalties

### § 2.50-1 Penalty procedures.

Civil and criminal penalty procedures appear in 33 CFR part 1. Civil monetary penalty amounts are set forth in 33 CFR part 27.

[CGD 96-052, 62 FR 16703, Apr. 8, 1997]

## Subpart 2.75—Approvals of Safety Equipment, Materials and Installations, and Qualifications for Construction Personnel

### § 2.75-1 Approvals.

- (a) Certain navigation and vessel inspection laws, or regulations in this chapter or in 33 CFR chapter I, require the Commandant's approval before specific types of safety equipment, materials, or installations may be installed or used on vessels subject to Coast Guard inspection, or on other described vessels, motorboats, artificial islands, and fixed structures.
- (b) The Commandant's approvals are issued to persons, partnerships, companies, or corporations who offer for sale specific items of safety equipment, materials, or installations, or intend them for their own or others' use. These approvals are intended to provide a control over the quality of such approved items. The Commandant's approvals apply only to those items constructed or installed in accordance with applicable requirements, and the details as described in the documents granting specific approval. If a specific item when manufactured does not comply with these details, then it is not considered to be approved and the approval issued does not apply to such modified item. For example, if an item is manufactured with changes in design or material not previously approved, the approval does not apply to such modified item. The failure to comply with applicable requirements and details specified in the approval subjects the holder to immediate suspension of approval as described in § 2.75-40, and if necessary, to a public hearing seeking withdrawal of approval and removal of all such items from use or installation as provided in § 2.75-50.
- (c) The Commandant's approvals are issued to qualified holders in the form of certificates of approval (Form CGHQ-10030), by appropriate description and identification in documents filed with the Office of the Federal Register and published in the FEDERAL REGISTER, or by letters, or by appropriate markings on drawings, plans, etc. Under the direction of the Commandant, the Deputy for Operations Policy and Capabilities (CG-DCO-D) is delegated the authority to exercise the necessary actions relating to the granting, suspension, cancellation or revocation of approvals for special items of safety equipment, materials or installations required by law in regulation in this chapter or in 33 CFR chapter I to have the Commandant's approval. The authority delegated to the Deputy for Operations Policy and Capabilities (CG-DCO-D) may be further delegated by him.

- (d) The approvals granted to holders qualifying under the regulations in this chapter or in specifications, copies of which may be obtained from the Commandant (CG-ENG), and to which official Coast Guard numbers are assigned, will be in the form of certificates of approval. Unless specifically provided otherwise, the approval shall be valid for a period of five years from the date on the certificate of approval, but subject to suspension and/or cancellation if it is found the item offered, sold, or used as Coast Guard approved differs in any detail from the item as described in the certificate of approval and referenced material.
- (e) A specific Commandant's approval granted to anyone, which is described in a certificate of approval, or a letter, or marked plans, etc., cannot be transferred to another without a specific prior authorization from the Commandant. Such a transfer without the Commandant's authorization normally terminates such approval.
- (f) A listing of current and formerly approved equipment and materials may be found on the internet at: <http://cgmix.uscg.mil/equipment>. Each OCMI may be contacted for information concerning approved equipment.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 82-063b, 48 FR 4781, Feb. 3, 1983; CGD 88-070, 53 FR 34533, Sept. 7, 1988; CGD 95-072, 60 FR 50459, Sept. 29, 1995; CGD 93-055, 61 FR 13927, Mar. 28, 1996; CGD 96-041, 61 FR 50725, Sept. 27, 1996; CGD 97-057, 62 FR 51041, Sept. 30, 1997; USCG-2004-18884, 69 FR 58341, Sept. 30, 2004; USCG-2010-0759, 75 FR 60001, Sept. 29, 2010]

### § 2.75-5 Certificates of approval.

- (a) The Deputy for Operations Policy and Capabilities (CG-DCO-D) or his delegate, will issue a certificate of approval to the manufacturer or party named therein and certify that such manufacturer or party has submitted satisfactory evidence that the item described therein complies with the applicable laws and regulations, which are outlined on the reverse side of the certificate.
- (b) The approval shall be in effect for a period of 5 years from the date on the certificate of approval unless canceled or suspended by proper authority, or otherwise specifically stated in the certificate.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 82-063b, 48 FR 4781, Feb. 3, 1983; CGD 88-070, 53 FR 34533, Sept. 7, 1988; CGD 96-041, 61 FR 50725, Sept. 27, 1996; CGD 97-057, 62 FR 51041, Sept. 30, 1997; USCG-2004-18884, 69 FR 58341, Sept. 30, 2004]

### § 2.75-10 Procedures for obtaining approvals.

- (a) The requirements for obtaining approvals of items covered by specifications and bearing official Coast Guard approval numbers are set forth in parts 159 through 164 of this chapter. For other items, the requirements are described in the regulations governing such items.
- (b) Unless otherwise specified, correspondence concerning approvals should be submitted electronically to [typeapproval@uscg.mil](mailto:typeapproval@uscg.mil). When plans, drawings, test data, etc., are required to be submitted by the manufacturer, the material being transmitted with the application should be clearly identified.
- (c) If the manufacturer requests that hard copy stamped plans be returned to them, or if product samples must be submitted, the plans or samples must be addressed to the Commandant (CG-ENG), Attn: Office of Design and Engineering Standards, U.S. Coast Guard Stop 7509, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20593-7509. When submitted, hard copy plans must be accompanied by electronic drawings or must be submitted in triplicate.



[CGD 76-048, 44 FR 73043, Dec. 17, 1979, as amended by CGD 82-063b, 48 FR 4781, Feb. 3, 1983; CGD 88-070, 53 FR 34533, Sept. 7, 1988; CGD 95-072, 60 FR 50459, Sept. 29, 1995; CGD 96-041, 61 FR 50725, Sept. 27, 1996; USCG-2020-0519, 89 FR 76695, Sept. 18, 2024]

### § 2.75-15 Requirements and tests.

- (a) Approved items described in certificates of approval are usually required to meet specific requirements and/or tests, prior to obtaining the approval. Additional factory tests to determine that proper uniformity and quality controls are followed during the manufacture of the specific items may be required. These requirements governing the manufacturer in particular are set forth in the regulations in this chapter or in specifications, copies of which may be obtained from the Commandant (CG-ENG). If the requirements are met, a certificate of approval will be issued.
- (b) When the specific item described in an application, together with accompanying drawings, plans, etc., does not meet applicable requirements or fails to meet specified tests, the applicant will be notified accordingly. The Coast Guard may suggest changes in order for the item to qualify and permit the issuance of an approval.
- (c) For items not covered by specification requirements in parts 160 to 164, inclusive (subchapter Q—Specifications) of this chapter, the requirements in the navigation and vessel inspection laws, and applicable regulations in this chapter or in 33 CFR chapter I apply and shall be met before approvals may be issued.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 82-063b, 48 FR 4781, Feb. 3, 1983; CGD 88-070, 53 FR 34533, Sept. 7, 1988; CGD 95-072, 60 FR 50459, Sept. 29, 1995; CGD 96-041, 61 FR 50725, Sept. 27, 1996]

### § 2.75-25 Portable fire extinguishers.

- (a) The portable fire extinguishers listed and labeled as *marine type* by a recognized laboratory, as provided in subpart 162.028 of part 162 of subchapter Q (Specifications) of this chapter, will be accepted as approved for use on merchant vessels, motorboats, etc., whenever required by the regulations in this chapter, and for use on artificial islands and fixed structures on the Outer Continental Shelf whenever required by the regulations in 33 CFR parts 140 to 146, inclusive.
- (b) The procedures for manufacturers to follow and the requirements governing portable fire extinguishers to qualify being listed and labeled as *marine type* by a recognized laboratory are set forth in subpart 162.028 of part 162 of subchapter Q (Specifications) of this chapter.
- (c) The procedures for a laboratory to qualify as a *recognized laboratory* and to be listed in § 162.028-5 of subchapter Q (Specifications) of this chapter are as follows:
  - (1) The laboratory shall submit an informal application in writing on its usual letterhead paper to the Commandant (CG-5PS), Attn: Director of Commercial Regulations, U.S. Coast Guard Stop 7509, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20593-7509, requesting recognition and listing, as a recognized laboratory.
  - (2) Accompanying the informal application, as identified enclosures, shall be:
    - (i) A certification that it is a laboratory which has been and is regularly engaged in the examination, testing, and evaluation of portable fire extinguishers.

- (ii) A certification that it has an established factory inspection, listing, and labeling program, together with a complete description of it and how it works.
  - (iii) A description of its facilities used in the examination, testing, and evaluation of portable fire extinguishers, together with its name (if different from that of submitter), and location (city, street, and state).
  - (iv) A list of the names and home and office addresses of its principal officers and its managing directors (if any).
  - (v) A description of its special standards for listing and labeling portable fire extinguishers as *marine type*, as contemplated by the specification in subpart 162.028 of part 162 of subchapter Q (Specifications) of this chapter.
- (3) If the Commandant finds that a laboratory qualifies as a *recognized laboratory*, and it is subject to Coast Guard jurisdiction, the approval and listing will be published on the Coast Guard's Maritime Information eXchange Web site at <http://cgmix.uscg.mil/equipment> and will be in effect until suspended, canceled or terminated by proper authority. The failure of a recognized laboratory to maintain its established factory inspection, listing and labeling program as approved by the Commandant shall be cause for terminating a listing as a *recognized laboratory*.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 82-063b, 48 FR 4781, Feb. 3, 1983; USCG-2015-0867, 80 FR 62469, Oct. 16, 2015]

### § 2.75-40 Suspension of approval.

- (a) Whenever it is determined that a specific item is not in compliance with the applicable laws, rules, and regulations, and the requirements specified in the approval issued by the Coast Guard, the District Commander or the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, will immediately notify the holder of the approval wherein the specific item fails to meet applicable requirements. If the defects, deficiencies or variations in the item are deemed important, such officer is authorized and may immediately suspend the approval, may require the holder to surrender the certificate of approval (if any), and may direct the holder to cease claiming the defective items are Coast Guard approved, pending a final decision from the Commandant in the matter.
- (b) The procedures for appealing the temporary suspension shall be those described in § 2.01-70.

### § 2.75-50 Withdrawals or terminations of approvals and appeals.

- (a) The Commandant may withdraw approval for any item which is found not to be in compliance with the conditions of approval, found to be unsuitable for its intended purpose, or does not meet the requirements of applicable regulations.
- (b) Approvals of equipment are terminated when the manufacturer is no longer in business, or when the item is no longer being manufactured, or when the approval expires.
- (c) Any person directly affected by a decision to deny, withdraw, or terminate an approval may appeal the decision to Director of Commercial Regulations & Standards (CG-5PS) as provided in § 1.03-15 of this chapter.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 93-055, 61 FR 13927, Mar. 28, 1996; CGD 96-041, 61 FR 50725, Sept. 27, 1996; CGD 97-057, 62 FR 51041, Sept. 30, 1997; USCG-2004-18884, 69 FR 58341, Sept. 30, 2004]

## § 2.75-60 Hazardous ships' stores.

Hazardous ships' stores, as defined in § 147.3 of this chapter, must not be brought on board or used on any vessel unless they meet the requirements of part 147 of this chapter.

[CGD 84-044, 53 FR 7748, Mar. 10, 1988]

## § 2.75-70 Welding procedure and performance qualifications.

- (a) Welding procedures and welder performance utilized in the fabrication of vessels and their various systems and components subject to Coast Guard inspection shall be qualified as required by the applicable subchapter. For applicable requirements see §§ 32.60-1(a) of subchapter D (Tank Vessels), § 72.01-15 of subchapter H (Passenger Vessels), § 92.01-10 of subchapter I (Cargo and Miscellaneous Vessels), or § 190.01-10 of subchapter U (Oceanographic Vessels) of this chapter. See part 57 of subchapter F (Marine Engineering) for requirements for the welding of pressure piping, boilers, pressure vessels, and nonpressure vessel type tanks, and associated secondary barriers as defined in § 38.05-4 of subchapter D (Tank Vessels) of this chapter.

[CGFR 68-82, 33 FR 18804, Dec. 18, 1968]

## Subpart 2.85—Load Lines

### § 2.85-1 Assignment of load lines.

Most U.S. vessels, and foreign vessels in U.S. waters are required to have load line assignments in accordance with 46 U.S.C. Chapter 51. The load lines marks, when placed on a vessel, indicate the maximum draft to which such vessel can be lawfully submerged, in the various circumstances and seasons applicable to such vessel. See subchapter E (Load Lines) of this chapter for applicable details governing assignment and marking of load lines.

[CGD 95-028, 62 FR 51195, Sept. 30, 1997, as amended by USCG-1998-4442, 63 FR 52188, Sept. 30, 1998; USCG-2004-18884, 69 FR 58341, Sept. 30, 2004]

## Subpart 2.90—Plans, Drawings or Blueprints

### § 2.90-1 General requirements.

- (a) Drawings, blueprints or plans showing the details of construction of vessels subject to inspection or installations thereon are required to be submitted for approval in accordance with applicable regulations in this chapter, information as to which may be obtained at any local Marine Inspection Office.
- (b) The requirements for passenger vessel construction are in parts 43-46, 70-78, of this chapter.
- (c) The requirements for tank vessel construction are in parts 30-39, 43-45, of this chapter.
- (d) The requirements for cargo and miscellaneous vessel construction are in parts 43-45, 90-97, of this chapter.
- (e) The requirements for marine engineering installations or equipment are in parts 50-69 of this chapter.
- (f) The requirements for electrical engineering installations or equipment are in parts 110-113 of this chapter.
- (g) The requirements for items to be manufactured under specific approval by the Commandant are in parts 160-164 of this chapter.

- (h) The requirements for vessels carrying certain bulk dangerous cargoes are in parts 148, 151, 153, and 154 of this chapter.
- (i) The requirements for subdivision and stability plans and calculations are in part 170 of this chapter.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16604, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 73-96, 42 FR 49203, Sept. 26, 1977; CGD 79-023, 48 FR 51006, Nov. 4, 1983]

## **Subpart 2.95—Retention of Records by the Public**

### **§ 2.95-1 Certificates or documents issued by Coast Guard.**

- (a) Certificates or documents issued to the public, as required by laws, rules, or regulations, shall be retained for the applicable period of time, as follows:
  - (1) If the certificate or document specifies a definite period of time for which it is valid, it shall be retained for so long as it is valid unless it is required to be surrendered; or,
  - (2) If the certificate or document does not specify a definite period of time for which it is valid, it shall be retained for that period of time such certificate or document is required for operation of the vessel; or,
  - (3) If the certificate or document is evidence of a person's qualifications, it shall be retained for so long as it is valid unless it is required to be surrendered.
- (b) Nothing in this section shall be construed as preventing the Coast Guard from canceling, suspending, or withdrawing any certificate or document issued at any time.

### **§ 2.95-5 Certificates or documents issued by others.**

- (a) Certificates or documents issued by other public agencies or private organizations, which are accepted as prima facie evidence of compliance with requirements administered by the Coast Guard, shall be retained for the applicable period of time as follows:
  - (1) If the certificate or document specifies a definite period of time for which it is valid, it shall be retained for so long as it is valid unless it is required to be surrendered; or
  - (2) If the certificate or document does not specify a definite period of time for which it is valid, it shall be retained for the period of time such certificate or document is required for operation of the vessel; or,
  - (3) If the certificate or documents is evidence of a person's qualifications, it shall be retained for so long as it is valid unless it is required to be surrendered.

### **§ 2.95-10 Equipment or material required to be approved.**

- (a) The manufacturer of any equipment or material, which must also be approved by or found satisfactory for use by the Commandant, shall keep the required drawings, plans, blueprints, specifications, production models (if any), qualification tests, and related correspondence containing evidence that the Coast Guard has found such equipment or material satisfactory, during the period of time the approval or listing is valid. Most of the specifications containing detailed descriptions of records required to be retained by the public are in parts 160 to 164, inclusive in subchapter Q (Specifications) of this chapter.