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Part 173 —Vessel Numbering and Casualty and Accident Reporting
Subpart C —Casualty and Accident Reporting

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§ 173.55 Report of casualty or accident.

- (a) The operator of a vessel shall submit the casualty or accident report prescribed in § 173.57 to the reporting authority prescribed in § 173.59 when, as a result of an occurrence that involves the vessel or its equipment:
 - (1) A person dies;
 - (2) A person is injured and requires medical treatment beyond first aid;
 - (3) Damage to vessels and other property totals \$2,000 or more or there is a complete loss of any vessel;
 - (4) A person disappears from the vessel under circumstances that indicate death or injury.
- (b) A report required by this section must be made:
 - (1) Within 48 hours of the occurrence if a person dies within 24 hours of the occurrence;
 - (2) Within 48 hours of the occurrence if a person is injured and requires medical treatment beyond first aid, or disappears from a vessel; and
 - (3) Within 10 days of the occurrence or death if an earlier report is not required by this paragraph.
- (c) When the operator of a vessel cannot submit the casualty or accident report required by paragraph (a) of this section, the owner shall submit the casualty or accident report.

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