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COMMANDANT CHANGE NOTICE 16000

Subj: CH-1 TO THE MARINE SAFETY MANUAL VOLUME II, COMDTINST
M16000.7B

1. PURPOSE. This Commandant Change Notice publishes a change to The Marine Safety Manual Volume II, COMDTINST M16000.7B.
2. ACTION. All Coast Guard unit commanders, commanding officers, officers-in-charge, deputy/assistant commandants, and chiefs of headquarters staff elements shall comply with the provisions of this Commandant Change Notice. Internet release is authorized.
3. DIRECTIVES AFFECTED. With the addition of this Commandant Change Notice, The Marine Safety Manual Volume II, COMDTINST M16000.7B, is updated. The following Navigation and Vessel Inspection Circulars (NVIC) are cancelled: 08-68 and 03-88 Ch. 1. The following Policy Letters are cancelled: CG-CVC Policy Letter 12-08, MOC Policy Letter Nos. 1-00, 02-01, 02-02, 03-01, 01-03, 05-03 and 02-05, CG-543 Policy Letters 10-03 and 11-06, CG-3PCV Policy Letter 07-04, and G-PCV Policy Letter 06-05.
4. DISCUSSION. This does not constitute a substantial change to the content of the previous version of this Manual. The primary reason for this change is to incorporate existing policy into the Manual to reduce the number of places Coast Guard members have to reference for guidance. Numerous non-technical changes have been made throughout the document including correcting misspellings and incorrect paragraph numbering.
5. DISCLAIMER. This guidance is not a substitute for applicable legal requirements, nor is it itself a rule. It is intended to provide operational guidance for Coast Guard personnel and is not intended to nor does it impose legally-binding requirements on any party outside the Coast Guard.

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6. MAJOR CHANGES.

- a. CG-CVC Policy Letter 12-08, Guidance Implementing the International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-Fouling Systems on Ships, has been incorporated into the Manual. The guidance in the policy letter for domestic vessels can be found in section B3 on pages 43-45 and for foreign vessels in section D1 on pages 31-32.
- b. CG-MOC Policy letter No. 1-00, Acceptance of the International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft (HSC Code) as Equivalent to Meeting Title 46, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Subchapter H or Subchapter I, has been incorporated into the Manual. The guidance in the policy letter can be found in section B4 on pages 73-74.
- c. CG-543 Policy Letter 10-03, Banning of Foreign Vessels, has been incorporated into the Manual. The guidance in the policy letter can be found in section D2 on pages 12-16.
- d. CG-3PCV Policy Letter 07-04, Regulatory Interpretations For Notice of Arrival Regulation, and G-PCV Policy Letter 06-05, Regulatory Interpretation for Notice of Arrival Regulation, have been incorporated into the Manual. The guidance in these policy letters can be found in section D4 on pages 24-25.
- e. CG-MOC Policy Letter 02-05, Navigation Safety Equipment Testing Required Under 33 CFR 164.25 For Cruise Ships, has been incorporated into the Manual. The guidance in the policy letter can be found in section D7 on page 6.
- f. CG-MOC Policy Letter 05-03, Operator Requirements for Foreign Flagged Cruise Ships Using Lifeboats as Tenders, has been incorporated into the Manual. The guidance in the policy letter can be found in section D7 on pages 28 and 34.
- g. The content of Section B8, Offshore, has been incorporated into the new Section G, Outer Continental Shelf Activities. Section B8 will remain as a place holder for future additions to the MSM. Portions of NVICs 07-68, 12-69, 06-72 Ch. 1, 04-78 Ch. 1, 10-81 Ch. 1, 10-82 Ch. 1, 07-84, 03-87, 1-89, 2-89, 10-92 Ch. 2, 02-95 Ch. 2, 02-99 and 02-07 are contained within newly created Section G, Outer Continental Shelf Activities. Portions of CG-543 Policy Letters 07-02 and 10-01 are included in this section. NVICs 08-68 and 03-88 Ch. 1 are included in their entirety and hereby cancelled per paragraph 3. CG-MOC Policy Letters 02-01, 03-0, 01-03, 02-02 and CG-543 Policy Letter are included in their entirety and cancelled per paragraph 3. Details regarding the location of the cancelled policy letters and NVIC's are provided below.
- h. NVIC 03-88, Ch. 1, Letters of Compliance to foreign Documented Mobile Offshore Drilling Units Operating on the Outer Continental Shelf of the United States, has been incorporated into the Manual. The guidance in the NVIC can be found in Section G, pages G3-3 through 18.
- i. NVIC 08-68, Classification of Vessels as Self-propelled, has been incorporated into the Manual. The guidance in the NVIC can be found in Section A, page A6-10.

- j. CG-MOC Policy Letter 03-01, Pressure Vessel internal Examination and Relief valve testing for Foreign Flag MODUs Operation on the Outer Continental Shelf, has been incorporated into the Manual. The guidance in the policy letter can be found in Section G, pages G3-12 and G3-16.
- k. CG-MOC Policy Letter 02-01, Regular Complement of Crew Determinations for Units Engaged in Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Activities, has been incorporated into the Manual. The guidance in the policy letter can be found in Section G, page G1-11.
- l. CG-MOC Policy Letter 02-02, Fixed Platform Inspection Program, has been incorporated into the Manual. The guidance in the policy letter can be found in Section G, page G5-3.
- m. CG-MOC Policy Letter 03-01, In-Service Inspection Program (ISIP) for Floating Facilities in the OCS, has been incorporated into the Manual. The guidance in the policy letter can be found in Section G, pages G1-12 and G4-8.
- n. CG-543 Policy Letter 11-06, Risked Based Targeting of Foreign Flagged Mobile Offshore Drilling Units (MODUs), has been incorporated into the Manual. The guidance in the policy letter can be found in Section G, pages G3-22 through 31.
- o. Other guidance to the field that has been sent through monthly message traffic has been incorporated into the appropriate sections of the Manual. Due to the numerous changes and the shifting down of pages, Section D Chapters 1 and 2 have been replaced in their entirety.

7. ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECT AND IMPACT CONSIDERATIONS.

- a. The development of this Commandant Change Notice and the general policies contained within it have been thoroughly reviewed by the originating office in conjunction with the Office of Environmental Management, and are categorically excluded (CE) under current USCG CE # 33 from further environmental analysis, in accordance with Section 2.B.2. and Figure 2-1 of the National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures and Policy for Considering Environmental Impacts, COMDTINST M16475.1 (series). Because this Commandant Change Notice contains guidance on, and provisions for, compliance with applicable environmental mandates, Coast Guard categorical exclusion #33 is appropriate.
- b. This directive will not have any of the following: significant cumulative impacts on the human environment; substantial controversy or substantial change to existing environmental conditions; or inconsistencies with any Federal, State, or local laws or administrative determinations relating to the environment. All future specific actions resulting from the general policies in this Commandant Change Notice must be individually evaluated for compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), DHS and Coast Guard NEPA policy, and compliance with all other environmental mandates. Due to the administrative and procedural nature of this Commandant Change Notice, and the environmental guidance provided within it for compliance with all applicable environmental laws prior to promulgating any directive, all applicable environmental considerations are addressed appropriately in this Commandant Change Notice.

8. DISTRIBUTION. No paper distribution will be made of this Change Notice. An electronic version will be located on the following Commandant (CG-612) web sites. Internet: <http://www.uscg.mil/directives/>, and CGPortal: <https://cgportal2.uscg.mil/library/directives/sitepages/home.aspx>.
9. PROCEDURE. Remove and replace the following sections of The Marine Safety Manual Volume II, COMDTINST M16000.7B:

<u>Remove</u>	<u>Replace</u>
Page A2-7 – A2-17	Page A2-7 – A2-17
Page A3-3 – A3-29	Page A3-3 – A3-29
Page B4-73 – B4-86	Page B3-43 – B3-45
Page D1-1 – D1-48	Page B4-73 – B4-88
Page D2-1 – D2-22	Page D1-1 – D1-53
Page D4-18- D4-24	Page D2-1 – D2-27
Page D6-17 – D6-36	Page D3-6
Page D7-18	Page D4-18 – D4-24
Page D7-20	Page D6-17 – D6-37
Page B8-1 – 41	Page D7-18
	Page D7-20
	Section G (Chapters 1-6)

10. RECORDS MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS. This Commandant Change Notice has been thoroughly reviewed during the directives clearing process, and it has been determined that there are records scheduling requirements, in accordance with Federal Records Act, 44 U.S.C. 3101 et seq., NARA requirements, and Information and Life Cycle Management Manual, COMDTINST M5212.12 (series). This policy has significant or substantial change to existing records management requirements, or inconsistencies with existing determinations relating to documentation requirements.
11. FORMS/REPORTS. The forms called for in this Manual are available in USCG Electronic Forms on the Standard Workstation or on the Internet: <http://www.uscg.mil/forms/>; CGPortal at <https://cgportal.uscg.mil/delivery/Satellite/uscg/References>; and Intranet at <http://cgweb.comdt.uscg.mil/CGForms>.
12. REQUEST FOR CHANGES. Request for changes to the Marine Safety Manual Volume II, COMDTINST M16000.7B may be sent to Commandant (CG-CVC-1) at (202) 372-1224 or CG-CVC-1@uscg.mil.

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