



TUGSAFE INTERNATIONAL ADDENDUM

Guidelines for Inspected Towing Vessels Under 300 GRT

Date: _____

This job aid provides guidance for applicability of international conventions on towing vessels required to comply with 46 CFR Subchapter M that operate internationally. Requirements are based on length, build date and a tonnage measurement system. [NVIC 11-93 Change 3](#) provides Coast Guard guidance on applicability of tonnage measurement systems.

Vessel Name: _____ Official Number: _____

Overall Length: 79 feet or more. Convention Length: Less than 79 feet. Assigned GT-ITC tonnage: 300 to 399.

Certificates		
Requirement	Applicability	Cite
<input type="checkbox"/> Int'l Tonnage Certificate (ITC)	≥ 79 ft.	ITC Article 7 and 46 CFR Part 69
<input type="checkbox"/> Int'l Load Line Certificate (ILLC)	¹	46 CFR Part 42 and ILLC Article 16
<input type="checkbox"/> Cargo Ship Safety Radio Certificate (CSSRC)	300 GT-ITC	SOLAS I/12
<input type="checkbox"/> Marpol Annex IV Statement of Voluntary Compliance	^{2,4}	NVIC 01-09 (Guidance)
<input type="checkbox"/> Int'l Ballast Water Management Statement of Voluntary Compliance	^{3,4}	CVC Policy 17-05 (Guidance)
Equipment and Document Spot-Checks		
Requirement	Applicability	Cite
<input type="checkbox"/> Vessel equipped and in compliance with applicable certificates.	All	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/> Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS)	300 GT-ITC	SOLAS IV and 47 CFR 80.161
<input type="checkbox"/> Long Range Identification and Tracking (LRIT)	300 GT-ITC	SOLAS V/19-1 and 33 CFR 169.205

1. Applicability for new vessels (built on or after July 21, 1968) is ≥ 79 ft. Applicability for existing vessels (built before July 21, 1968) is ≥ 150 GRT.
2. Applies to all vessels that carry >15 persons (passengers and crew). Applies to all other vessel that are > 400 GT-ITC ITC.
3. Applies to vessels designed or constructed to carry ballast water.
4. Although not mandatory and administered through a voluntary program, vessel owners who operate on international routes are encouraged to participate.

Developed by the United States Coast Guard [Towing Vessel National Center of Expertise](#).