

SIX-PACK CHECK LIST

DATE _____

VESSEL NAME _____ VESSEL NUMBER _____ HIN _____

YEAR BUILT _____ LENGTH _____ NET TONS _____ TYPE OF VESSEL: OPEN CABIN SAIL

PROPULSION: OUTBOARD INBRD GAS INBRD DIESEL SAIL ONLY HORSEPOWER

ENGINE COMPARTMENT: OPEN CLOSED CONSTRUCTION: OPEN CLOSED FUEL COMPARTMENT: OPEN CLOSED

VESSEL OPERATING

OWNER NAME _____ OPERATOR NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ CITY _____

TEL NO. _____ SSN _____ TEL NO. _____ SSN _____

46 U.S.C. 2101 provides the following helpful definitions:

- (42) **"uninspected passenger vessel"** means an uninspected vessel --
- (A) of at least 100 gross tons --
 - (i) carrying not more than 12 passengers, including at least one passenger for hire; or
 - (ii) that is chartered with the crew provided or specified by the owner or the owner's representative and carrying not more than 12 passengers; and
 - (B) of less than 100 gross tons --
 - (i) carrying not more than 6 passengers, including at least one passenger for hire; or
 - (ii) that is chartered with the crew provided or specified by the owner or the owner's representative and carrying not more than 6 passengers.
- (21) **"passengers"** --
- (A) means an individual carried on the vessel except --
 - (i) the owner or an individual representative of the owner or, in the case of a vessel under charter, an individual charterer or individual representative of the charterer;
 - (ii) the master; or
 - (iii) a member of the crew engaged in the business of the vessel who has not contributed consideration for carriage and who is paid for on board services.
- (21a) **"passenger for hire"** means a passenger for whom consideration is contributed as a condition of carriage on the vessel, whether directly or indirectly flowing to the owner, charterer, operator, agent, or any other person have an interest in the vessel.
- (5a) **"consideration"** means an economic benefit, inducement, right, or profit including pecuniary payment accruing to an individual, person, or entity, but not including a voluntary sharing of the actual expenses of the voyage, by monetary contribution or donation of fuel, food, beverage, or other supplies.

Explanation: This means that if an uninspected passenger vessel (six-pack, less than 100 gross tons) is carrying **at least one passenger for hire** then, with the exception of the owner, master and **paid** deckhand(s), **all other** individuals on board are considered "passengers". For instance, if a vessel is carrying 9 individuals: 5 paying passengers, 1 licensed master 1 **paid deckhand**, and 2 "friends", the vessel is carrying 7 "passengers". The master and owner are breaking the law. Both are subject to civil penalties. The licensed master is subject to suspension or revocation of his/her license.

OPERATOR and CREW REQUIREMENTS

Required on mechanically propelled vessels, including auxiliary sail.

Y N N/A

MANNING [46 U.S.C. 8104; 46 CFR 15 and 26]

- Licensed operator for tonnage and area of operation.
- Original** license on board.
- Vessel under control of licensed operator, limited to 12 hours.

DRUG TESTING [46 CFR 16]

- Drug testing program in effect: Pre-employment; periodic; probable cause; random; "serious marine casualty".
- Collection facility pre-arranged. Medical Review Officer (MRO) designated.
- Drug policy posted [need not be on board vessel]. Maintain records.

VESSEL REQUIREMENTS

TRADE ELIGIBILITY [46 CFR 67; 19 CFR 4.80]

- Less than 5 Net Tons (40 feet), equipped with propulsion machinery: **Numbered with State.**
Must be U.S. built and U.S. owned.
- More than 5 Net Tons **less** than 100 Gross Tons:
Documented with Coast Guard. Endorsed for "coastwise trade".
Must be U.S. built and U.S. owned.

VESSEL PAPERS

Numbered with state. [33 CFR 173]

- Original "certificate of numbers" on board.
- Valid. [Validation sticker displayed if required by State].
- Number displayed in contrasting color, correctly spaced.

Y N N/A

Documented with Coast Guard [46 CFR 67, 46 U.S.C. 8103]

- Original document on board.
- Current validation sticker affixed to document.
- Vessel name and hailing port (including state, territory or possession) on stern; name on port and starboard bow. Clearly legible not less than 4 inches in height.
- Official Number permanently marked on interior structural part of vessel. Clearly visibly letters and arabic numerals not less than 3 inches in height.
- U.S. citizen in command. 75% of crew U.S. citizens.

EMERGENCY CHECK LIST [46 CFR 26.03]

- Suitable for vessel.
- Posted.

SAFETY ORIENTATION PRIOR TO GETTING UNDERWAY [46 CFR 26.03]

- Verbal announcements, instructive placards or both.

CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS [33 CFR 181 and 183; 46 CFR 25 and 45]

- Hull Identification Number (HIN) [Vessel constructed after 1 AUG 84].
- Certification [vessels less than 20 feet]:
Safe Loading. Safe powering. Level flotation.
- Certification [inboard gasoline power]: Fuel and electrical systems.
- Ventilation [all vessels using gasoline as fuel].
46 CFR 25.40 or 33 CFR 183.601
- Coast Guard/UL/SAE Approved backfire flame arrester on all gasoline engines
(except outboards).
- Cooking, heating and lighting systems must be approved. 46 CFR 25.45
- Start in gear protection. [Outboards after 1 AUG 82]. 33 CFR 183.701.

Y N N/A

LIFE PRESERVERS (PFDs)/RING BUOYS [46 CFR 25.25]

- [] [] U.S. Coast Guard Approved Type I or Type V PFD [Type V must be worn].
- [] [] One **readily available** device, of **suitable size**, for each person on board.
- [] [] Each Type I or V device equipped with retroreflective material.
- [] [] [] Each Type I or V device equipped with Approved PFD light [except vessels on inland routes].
- [] [] [] At least one U.S. Coast Guard Approved Ring Buoy [vessels 26 feet and over], **immediately available**, 20, 24 or 30 inches in diameter.
- [] [] All devices to be in **serviceable condition**.

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS [46 CFR 25.30]

- [] [] Correct number/type, Coast Guard or UL Approved for marine use, in proper bracket.
- [] [] Accessible and serviceable.
- [] [] [] Some Dry Chemical types, serviced every 6 months.

VISUAL DISTRESS SIGNALS [33 CFR 175]

Vessels 16 feet or more operating on "coastal waters" and beyond.

- [] [] [] Correct number of Coast Guard Approved VDS.
3 day/3 night; Mayday flag/SOS light
- [] [] [] Expired.
- [] [] [] Readily available.

NAVIGATION RULES (UNIFIED RULES and COLREGS)

- [] [] Correct lights for operation: underway, anchored, fishing.
- [] [] Correct dayshapes for operation: anchoring.
- [] [] Whistle (horn) and bell.
- [] [] [] Copy of Inland Rules, if operating on Inland Waters [vessels over 39.4 feet].

Y N N/A

POLLUTION REQUIREMENTS [33 CFR 151, 155 and 159]

- Oil Pollution Placard [vessel 26 feet and over].
- Means to retain oily bilge slops on board.
- Oil transfer procedures [vessel with of 10,500 gallons capacity for petroleum products].
- Garbage Placard [vessel over 26 feet].
- Waste Management Plan [vessel over 40 feet, with galley and berthing].
- If equipped with installed head, approved and operational MSD.
- If holding tank (Type III MSD), proper operation, venting, overboard discharge valve closed inside 3 miles.

RADIOS - CG/FCC requirements [47 CFR 80.1153 and 80.402; 33 CFR 26]

- Vessels carrying 6 or less passengers are no longer required to obtain a 'Ship Radio Station License.' They are considered 'voluntary ships'
- Vessels over 65.5 feet (20 meters) in length operating on the navigable waters (12 miles) of the U.S., are required to be equipped with a VHF-FM radiotelephone.
- Vessels certified by U.S. Coast Guard to carry more than 6 passengers for hire in the open sea or tidewaters of the U.S. are required to have an FCC 'Ship Radio Station License' if equipped with Radio, Radar, EPIRB.
- FCC license must list all communication frequencies (Radio, Radar, EPIRBs) for equipment on board.
- Bridge-to-Bridge radio requirements for vessels over 65.6 feet Monitor VHF Channel 16 and 13; speak English.

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