

Inland Navigation Rules

Links to applicable regulations

[33 CFR 88.05](#)

- Requirement

[HQ Policy Ltr 10-05](#)

- Use of Electronic Nav Pubs

Checklist for this item

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| | Vessels 39.4 feet or more in length that operate on inland waters are required to carry a copy of the Inland Navigation Rules. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Check this list to see if at any time while transiting you are operating inside the COLREGs demarcation line. If you still have questions please contact a fishing vessel safety examiner in your area. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Many vessels operate beyond the COLREGs demarcation line, but return to a port that is inside this line and would be required to carry the Nav Rules. |

Use of electronic nav pubs: You may carry an electronic copy of the inland nav rules. This requires a backup method for accessing the navigation rules should the primary electronic method fail. Be prepared to show the backup system.

(For an electronic copy of the rules [click here](#) and save the .pdf file and make available as prescribed above.)



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