

INSPECTION AND CERTIFICATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
U.S. ARMY, CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND U.S. COAST GUARD

1. Inspection Agreement. The Coast Guard upon proper application will inspect Corps of Engineers vessels and issue Certificates of Inspection of such vessels when they are found to comply with the applicable statutes and vessel inspection regulations. In any case where, after inspection, it is found that a Certificate of Inspection cannot be issued, the applicant for inspection will be furnished with a written statement setting forth the particulars in which the vessel fails to meet Coast Guard requirements.
2. Applicable Vessel Regulations.
  - a. The Rules and Regulations for Cargo and Miscellaneous Vessels (CG-257), and Rules and Regulations for Tank Vessels (CG-123), will be considered the basic Coast Guard rules and regulations applicable to Corps of Engineers vessels, insofar as they reasonably apply.
  - b. Corps of Engineers vessels being vessels of the Department of Defense and used for public purposes, are not subject to the provisions of the International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea and, accordingly, will not normally be furnished with Convention certificates.
3. Manning. The Coast Guard will specify the minimum manning requirements on the Certificate of Inspection. A sufficient number of personnel will be properly licensed and certificated in accordance with Rules and Regulations for Licensing and Certificating of Merchant Marine Personnel (CG-191) to meet the minimum manning requirements. In addition, all other personnel in the deck, engine, steward and other departments will possess a United States Merchant Mariner's Document (Certificate of Identification) under the provisions of CG-191. Such licensing and/or certification will be required as a condition of employment.
4. Shipment And Discharge. The employment of crewmembers will be in accordance with the laws and regulations of the Civil Service Commission.
5. Casualty Review. Corps of Engineers vessels and their Masters will report marine casualties to the Coast Guard and the Coast Guard will investigate such casualties in accordance with the laws and regulations applicable to vessels of the United States.
6. Disciplinary Action. The Coast Guard will take action under R.S. 4450 as amended (46 U.S.C. 239) against those crewmembers whose possession of valid seamen's documents issued by the Coast Guard is a condition of employment. Any disciplinary action considered appropriate by the Corps of Engineers will be taken under Civil Service Commission laws and regulations.
7. Modification Of Standards.
  - a. Vessels Of Special Design. In the case of Corps of Engineers vessels of special design, the Coast Guard may, in individual cases, permit such variation from the requirements of law and regulations as may be shown to be necessary for the special purposes for which such vessels are designed.
  - b. Lifesaving Equipment. Subject to prior agreement, as it pertains to existing vessels, it is intended that all Corps of Engineers inspected vessels be equipped with lifesaving equipment in accordance with the rules and regulations applicable to vessels of the United

States. Life vests constructed in accordance with military specification NIL-L-17653(a) or (b), or subsequent approved specification, are authorized and approved for use on vessels engaged in Lakes, Bays, Sounds and Rivers operations. These life vests are also authorized and approved for use as work vests aboard vessels in Ocean, Coastwise, and Great Lakes operations which are also equipped with U.S. Coast Guard approved life preservers specified in the Coast Guard rules and regulations.

8. Plan Approval. Approval of plans for new construction, conversion, and alteration will be carried out in accordance with U.S. Coast Guard rules and regulations.
9. Repairs And Alterations. Required notice of repairs or alterations shall be carried out when required by and in accordance with U.S. Coast Guard rules and regulations.
10. Modification To Agreement. Modifications or supplements to this basic agreement may be made by mutual consent. Such modifications or supplements will be in the form of addendum to this basic agreement.

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ADDENDUM NO. 1 TO USACE-USCG VESSEL INSPECTION AND CERTIFICATION  
AGREEMENT

1. Paragraph 7.b. is corrected to read as follows:
  - b. Lifesaving Equipment. Subject to prior agreement, as it pertains to existing vessels, it is intended that all Corps of Engineers inspected vessels be equipped with lifesaving equipment in accordance with the rules and regulations applicable to vessels of the United States. Life vests constructed in accordance with military specification MIL-L-17653(a) or (b), or subsequent approved specification, are authorized and approved for use on vessels engaged in Rivers operation. These life vests are also authorized and approved for use as work vests aboard all other vessels which are also equipped with U.S. Coast Guard approved life preservers specified in the Coast Guard rules and regulations.