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Subj: TONNAGE ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY

1. Purpose: This Technical Note contains administrative requirements for certification of tonnages and dimensions by authorized measurement organizations acting under the provisions of Title 46, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 69, Measurement of Vessels. It replaces MTN 01-98 CH-4.
2. Discussion: To facilitate electronic access and printing, the material of this Technical Note is organized into two enclosures. Enclosure (1) provides general requirements for tonnage measurement and certification, Coast Guard oversight, and tonnage file maintenance and retrieval. Enclosure (2) contains Appendices of tonnage forms, sample certificates, a listing of measurement organizations and a discussion of changes to the previous version (CH-4) of MTN 01-98. Sidebars are used in the enclosures to highlight specific differences from the previous version of this document.
3. Applicability: The requirements of this Technical Note are used by authorized measurement organizations in certifying tonnages and dimensions for vessels for which the application of a law of the United States depends on the vessel's tonnage. Refer to Navigation and Vessel Inspection Circular (NVIC) 11-93 for information regarding applicability of tonnage measurement systems to U.S. flag vessels.
4. Action: Authorized measurement organizations are requested to implement this Technical Note immediately, although the previous revision to the U.S. Tonnage Certificate form may continue to be used until December 31, 2002. Any deviation from this Technical Note requires written approval from the Marine Safety Center. This Technical Note is available on the World Wide Web at [www.uscg.mil/hq/msc/mtns.htm](http://www.uscg.mil/hq/msc/mtns.htm).

  
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Encl: (1) Administrative Requirements  
(2) Appendices