

VESSEL SAFETY CHECK (VSC)

To be completed by a U.S. Coast Guard approved Vessel Examiner.

See the back of this form for a brief explanation of required items.

A general requirements pamphlet is also available.

Owner/Operator has attended a CGAIX USPS State or IVSC Decal: awarded not awarded

Boating Safety Class: Yes No Number: _____

Decal replaced: Last Year Outdated First time Date of VSC: _____

Owner/Operator Name: _____
 Registration or Documentation Number: _____

VESSEL INFORMATION:

Location of VSC - County: _____ State: _____ HIN: _____

Powered by: Gas Diesel Sail Other PWC Yacht Cabin Other

Item	Yes	No	N/A	Item	Yes	No	N/A
1. Operator at Helm				1. Marine Radio			
2. Personal Flotation Devices (PFD)				2. Vessel Safety Council (VSC) Decal			
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11. MARPOL Trash Placard				11. MARPOL Trash Placard			
12. Marine Sanitation Device				12. Marine Sanitation Device			
13. State and/or Local Requirements				13. State and/or Local Requirements			
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permanently attached to each side of the forward half of the boat characters

a color contrasting with the background. A space or hyphen must separate numbers must be permanently marked on a visible part of the interior or exterior hull in letters not less than 4 inches in height.

is required for the boat person on the boat. Children under 16 must wear fitted PFDs designed for children. Wearable PFDs shall be "readily accessible" in unopened plastic packaging. For Personal Watercraft (PWC), the PFD must be worn. An impact rating is recommended, but not required.

4. VISUAL DISTRESS SIGNALS

Boats and outboard motors with Gross Tonnage are required to carry a red SOS light or 3) a combination of 1) and 2). Recreational boats less than 16 feet on coastal waters or the Great Lakes must only carry night distress signals when operating from sunset to sunrise.

if one of the following conditions exists: 1) Inboard engine(s); 2) Flammable bottom hulls not completely sealed or not completely filled with flotation materials; 3) Closed living space; 4) Closed storage compartments that contain flammable materials; or 5) Permanently installed outboard motor(s). Boats less than 26 feet, and propelled by outboard motors are NOT required to have fire extinguishers unless one or more of the conditions (2-5) listed above applies. NOTE: Fire extinguishers must be readily accessible and verified as serviceable.

Minimum number of extinguishers required

Navigation Rules and for distress channel purposes all boats must carry a soundable horn. Boats larger than 39.4 ft. are also required to have a bell

visibility. Boats 16 feet or more in length must have properly installed, working

10. POLLUTION PLACARD

11. MARINE TRASH DISPOSAL PLACARD

trash disposal plan available onboard

12. MARINE SANITATION DEVICE

be capable of being started.

13. NAVIGATION RULES

14. STATE AND LOCAL REQUIREMENTS

15. OVERALL BOAT CONDITION

DECK FREE OF HAZARDOUS AND CLEAN DECK - The boat must be

shown on the capacity plate.

h. Electrical and Fuel Systems

tion, properly installed and with no exposed areas or deteriorated insulation. If installed, self-circling or kill switch mechanism must be in proper working order. All PWCs require an operating self-circling or kill switch mechanism.

Fuel Systems: Portable fuel tanks (normally 7 gallon capacity or less)