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other equally suitable acid-resistant material acceptable to the Commandant. See §151.15–3(f)(2).

(5) Spent or sludge sulfuric acid resulting from the use of sulfuric acid in industrial processes may be transported in unlined gravity type cargo tanks or unlined pressure vessel type cargo tanks, provided the corrosive effect on steel is not greater than that of commercial sulfuric acid as prescribed in paragraph (a)(1) of this section.

(b) Heating coils will be the only acceptable means of liquefying frozen or congealed sulfuric acid.

(c) During cargo transfer, a water hose shall be connected to a water supply ready for immediate use and any leakage or spillage of acid shall be immediately washed down. This requirement can be met by facilities provided from shore.

(d) The requirements of §151.50–20 are also applicable to the shipment of sulfuric acid.

§151.50–22 Hydrochloric acid.

(a) Hydrochloric acid shall be carried in gravity or pressure type cargo tanks which are independent of the vessel's structure provided such tanks are lined with rubber or other equally suitable material acceptable to the Commandant. See §151.15–3(f)(2).

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of §151.50–20(b)(3), compressed air may be used to discharge hydrochloric acid from gravity type cargo tanks only if the tanks are of cylindrical shape with dished heads, provided the air pressure does not exceed the design pressure of the tank but in no case shall it exceed 10 pounds per square inch gauge. Such tanks shall be fitted with pressure relief devices and need not be vented to the atmosphere as required by §151.50–20(b)(3).

(c) During cargo transfer, a water hose shall be connected to a water supply and be ready for immediate use. Any leakage or spillage of acid shall be immediately washed down. This requirement can be met by facilities provided from shore.

(d) Spent hydrochloric acid or hydrochloric acid adulterated by other chemicals, inhibitors, oils, solvents, water, etc., shall not be transported in bulk except upon authorization by the Commandant (G–MSO).

(e) The requirements of §151.50–20 are also applicable to the shipment of hydrochloric acid.

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§151.50–23 Phosphoric acid.

(a) The term *phosphoric acid* as used in this subpart shall include, in addition to phosphoric acid, aqueous solutions of phosphoric acid, and super phosphoric acid.

(b) Phosphoric acid may be carried in either gravity or pressure type cargo tanks. The tanks shall be rubber-lined, or lined or clad with other suitable material acceptable to the Commandant, or shall be fabricated of a phosphoric acid resistant stainless steel. See §151.15–3(f)(2).

(c) The vessel's shell plating shall not be used as any part of the boundaries of gravity type cargo tanks.

(d) Cargo piping, including valves, fittings, and flanges where exposed to the acid, shall be rubber-lined, or lined, coated or clad with other corrosion-resistant material, or shall be fabricated of a phosphoric acid resistant stainless steel. Vent piping, including flanges and fittings, shall be similarly protected at least to the height of the flangible disk if such is installed.

(e) Phosphoric acid adulterated by other chemicals, inhibitors, oils, solvents, etc., shall not be transported in bulk cargo tanks except upon authorization by the Commandant (G–MSO).

(f) The requirements of §151.50–20 are also applicable to the shipment of phosphoric acid.

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§151.50–30 Compressed gases.

(a) All tank inlet and outlet connections, except safety relief valves, liquid level gauging devices, and pressure gauges shall be marked to designate whether they terminate in the vapor or liquid space. Labels, when used, shall be of corrosion-resistant materials and may be attached to valves.

(b) *Venting.* (1) Except as provided in paragraph (b)(2) of this section each

safety relief valve installed on a cargo tank shall be connected to a branch vent of a venting system which shall be constructed so that the discharge of gas will be directed vertically upward to a point at least 10 feet above the weatherdeck or the top of any tank or house located above the weatherdeck.

(2) Safety valves on cargo tanks in barges may be connected to individual or common risers which shall extend to a reasonable height above the deck. Where the escape of vapors from the venting system may interfere with towing operations, the installation shall be acceptable to the Commandant, and the arrangement shall be such as to minimize the hazard of escaping vapors. Arrangements specially provided for venting cargo tanks forming part of the hull on unmanned barges will be given special consideration by the Commandant.

(3) The capacity of branch vents or vent headers shall depend upon the number of cargo tanks connected to such branch or header as provided in Table 151.50–30(b)(3).

TABLE 151.50–30(b)(3)—CAPACITY OF BRANCH VENTS OR VENT HEADERS

Number of cargo tanks	*Percent of total valve discharge*
1 or 2	100
3	90
4	80
5	70
6 or more	60

(4) Return bends and restrictive pipe fittings are prohibited. Vents and headers shall be so installed as to minimize stresses on safety relief valves and their mounting nozzles.

(5) When vent discharge risers are installed, they shall be so located as to protect against physical damage and be fitted with loose raincaps.

(6) When vent discharge risers are installed and their installation in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph results in restrictions in the operation of the barge due to navigation clearances, the vents may be designed so as to be collapsible when passing under such low clearance obstacles.

(c) *Repairs involving welding or burning.* (1) Repairs involving welding or burning shall not be undertaken on the cargo tanks or piping while cargo in either the liquid or vapor state is present therein.

(2) Repairs involving welding or burning on parts of the barge other than cargo tanks or piping may be undertaken provided positive pressure is maintained in the tanks or the tanks have been vented or washed internally.

(d) *Respiratory equipment.* (1) At least one approved self-contained breathing apparatus shall be available in a readily accessible location off the barge at all times during the cargo transfer operations. This equipment shall not be considered to be part of the barge equipment, and the barge shall not be required to carry this equipment en route.

(2) The approved self-contained breathing apparatus, masks, and all respiratory protective devices shall be of types suitable for starting and operating at the temperatures encountered, and shall be maintained in good operating condition.

(3) Personnel involved in the cargo transfer operations shall be adequately trained in the use of the respiratory equipment.

(e) *Filling densities and container design pressure.* For compressed gases transported at or near ambient temperatures, the maximum filling densities and minimum design pressure of container as indicated in Table 151.50–30(e) shall apply. Deviations from the tabulated values shall be submitted to the Commandant for approval. Where cargo is to be carried at temperatures below ambient, the tank shall be designed in accordance with §151.15–3(b)(3) and the maximum amount of cargo shall be in accordance with §151.45–6(b).

TABLE 151.50–30(e)—FILLING DENSITIES AND CONTAINER DESIGN PRESSURES

Kind of gas	Maximum permitted filling density (percent by weight, see § 151.03–21)		Minimum design pressure of tank (pounds per square inch gauge)	
	Uninsulated tanks	Insulated tanks	Uninsulated tanks	Insulated tanks
Ammonia, anhydrous	57	58	250	215
Chlorine	125	125	300	300
Dichlorodifluoromethane	123	125	147	127
Dimethylamine	61	62	46	36
Methyl chloride	85	87	131	112
Monochlorodi-fluoromethane	110	113	243	211
Vinyl chloride	86	87	81	67

(f) The shell and head thickness of liquefied compressed cargo tanks shall not be less than five-sixteenths inch.

(g) The special requirements for ammonia (anhydrous) in § 151.50–32, for argon in § 151.50–36, for chlorine in § 151.50–31, for nitrogen in § 151.50–36, and for vinyl chloride in § 151.50–34 also apply to the carriage of those gases.

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§ 151.50–31 Chlorine.

(a) *Chlorine barges.* Subparts 98.03 and 98.20 of Part 98 of this chapter have been revoked. However, chlorine barges that were certified in accordance with the requirements of subpart 98.20 of part 98 of this chapter and having hulls modified, if necessary, to comply with §§ 98.03–5(c) and 98.03–25(c) of this chapter, shall be considered as complying with this part.

(b) *Design and construction of cargo tanks.* (1) The cargo tanks shall meet the requirements of Class I pressure vessels.

(2) Tanks shall be designed for a pressure of not less than 300 pounds per square inch gauge. For the maximum allowable working pressure of tanks in service, see paragraph (q) of this section.

(3) Each tank shall be provided with one or more 24-inch inside diameter manhole, fitted with a cover located above the maximum liquid level and as close as possible to the top of the tank. There shall be no other openings in the tank.

(c) Tanks may be installed ''on deck'' or ''under deck'' with the tank protruding above deck. If a portion of the tank extends above the weatherdeck, provision shall be made to maintain the weathertightness on the deck. All tanks shall be installed with the manhole opening located above the weatherdeck. Hopper type barges operating on protected inland waters may have tanks located in the hopper space.

(d) All valves, flanges, fittings and accessary equipment shall be of a type suitable for use with chlorine and shall be made of metal, corrosion-resistant to chlorine in either the gas or liquid phase. Cast or malleable iron shall not be used. Valves, flanges, and flanged joints shall be 300 pounds A.N.S.I. standard minimum with tongue and groove or raised face. Joints shall be fitted with sheet lead or other suitable gasket material. Welded fittings shall be used wherever possible and the number of pipe joints held to a minimum. Threaded joints in cargo lines and vapor lines shall not be used in sizes above 1 inch internal diameter. Welded ''hammerlock'' unions or other unions approved by the Commandant may be used at terminal points of fixed barge piping.

(e) Each tank shall be provided with liquid and vapor connections fitted with manually operated shutoff valves and with safety relief valves. All valves shall be bolted to the cover or covers specified in paragraph (b)(3) of this section and shall be protected against mechanical damage by a suitable protective metal housing. A drain connection shall be provided from the protective housing.

(f) All liquid and vapor connections, except safety relief valves, shall be