§ 153.901 Documents: Posting, availability, and alteration.

(a) No person may operate a United States ship unless the endorsed Certificate of Inspection is readily available on the ship.

(b) No person may operate a foreign ship unless the endorsed Certificate of Compliance or Certificate of Inspection is readily available on the ship.

(c) No person may operate a ship under an alternative or waiver granted under this part unless the document granting the alternative or waiver is attached to the ship’s Certificate of Inspection or Certificate of Compliance.

(d) Except as allowed in paragraph (e) of this section, the Coast Guard does not accept the following if altered:

(1) Certificates of Inspection.

(2) Certificates of Compliance.

(3) Certificates of Fitness, unless the alteration is by the issuing authority.

(4) Approved Procedures and Arrangements Manuals, unless the alteration is approved by the issuing authority.

(5) NLS Certificates.

(e) A person wishing to change a Procedures and Arrangements Manual approved by the Coast Guard must submit a copy to the Coast Guard following the procedures for requesting an endorsed Certificate of Inspection in § 153.8.

§ 153.902 Expiration and invalidation of the Certificate of Compliance.

(a) The Certificate of Compliance shows its expiration date.

(b) The endorsement of a Certificate of Compliance under this part is invalid if the vessel does not have a valid IMO Certificate of Fitness.

(c) The endorsement on a Certificate of Compliance invalidated under paragraph (b) of this section, becomes valid again once the ship has the IMO Certificate of Fitness revalidated or reissued.

Note: See § 153.809 for procedures for having a Certificate of Compliance reissued.

§ 153.903 Operating a United States ship in special areas: Categories A, B, and C.

No person may operate a United States ship that carries an NLS or NLS residue in a special area unless—

(a) The ship’s Certificate of Inspection is endorsed in accordance with § 153.30; and

(b) The ship meets the operating requirements applying to special areas in Regulations 5, 5A, 8 and the Standards for Procedures and Arrangements of Annex II.

§ 153.904 Limitations in the endorsement.

No person may operate a tankship unless that person complies with all limitations in the endorsement on the tankship’s Certificate of Inspection or Certificate of Compliance.

§ 153.905 Regulations required to be on board.

No person may operate a tankship unless the most recent editions of this part, and parts 35 and 150 of this chapter are on board.

§ 153.907 Cargo information.

(a) The master shall ensure that the following information for each cargo carried under this part is readily available to those on the tankship engaged in cargo operations:

(1) The name of the cargo as listed in table 1.
(2) A description of the cargo's appearance and color.
(3) Hazards in handling the cargo.
(4) Any special handling procedures for the cargo, such as inerting.
(5) Procedures to follow if the cargo spills or leaks.
(6) Procedures for treating a person exposed to the cargo.
(7) A list of fire fighting procedures and extinguishing agents effective with cargo fires.
(8) Shipper's name.
(9) Loading point.
(10) Approximate quantity of cargo.
(11) Tank in which the cargo is located.
(12) The name of an agent in the United States authorized to accept service of legal process for the vessel.

(b) The master shall make sure that the following information for cargoes other than those carried under this part is readily available on the tankship:
(1) The name of the cargo as listed in Table 4 of Part 154 of this chapter or § 30.25–1 of this chapter if the cargo is listed in one of these two tables.
(2) The name of the cargo prescribed in the letter authorizing carriage of the cargo under § 153.900(d) if the cargo is a hazardous or flammable cargo authorized for carriage under that section.
(3) The shipper's name for the cargo and the name of the shipper if the cargo is neither a hazardous nor flammable cargo.

(c) The person in charge of the ship shall ensure that the cargo temperature is read and recorded in the Cargo Record Book following the procedures in paragraph (d) of this section when a cargo having a reference to paragraph (a) or (b) of this section in the “Special Requirements” column of Table 1 is unloaded.

(d) The cargo temperature measured in paragraph (c) of this section must be made using the following procedure:
(1) Each reading must be made with the sensor or thermometer required by §153.440(a)(3) or (c). If a portable thermometer is used, it must be located as prescribed for the temperature sensor in §153.440(a)(3).
(2) A total of 2 readings must be made, the first reading to be made no more than 30 minutes after cargo transfer begins and the second reading no more than 30 minutes before the main cargo pump is shut down.
(3) The cargo’s temperature is the average of the 2 readings made under paragraph (d)(2) of this section.

§ 153.908 Cargo viscosity and melting point information; measuring cargo temperature during discharge: Categories A, B, and C.

(a) The person in charge of the ship may not accept a shipment of a Category A, B, or C NLS cargo having a reference to this paragraph in the “Special Requirements” column of Table 1 unless the person has a written statement of the cargo's viscosity at 20 °C in mPa.s and, if the cargo's viscosity exceeds 25 mPa.s at 20 °C, the temperature at which the viscosity is 25 mPa.s.
(b) The person in charge of the ship may not accept a shipment of a Category A, B, or C cargo having a reference to this paragraph in the “Special Requirements” column of Table 1 unless the person has a written statement of the cargo’s melting point in °C from the cargo’s manufacturer or the person listed as the shipper on the bill of lading. If the cargo’s melting point varies from shipment to shipment, the highest melting point may be supplied.
(c) The person in charge of the ship shall ensure that the cargo temperature is read and recorded in the Cargo Record Book following the procedures in paragraph (d) of this section when a cargo having a reference to paragraph (a) or (b) of this section in the “Special Requirements” column of Table 1 is unloaded.
(d) The cargo temperature measured in paragraph (c) of this section must be made using the following procedure:
(1) Each reading must be made with the sensor or thermometer required by §153.440(a)(3) or (c). If a portable thermometer is used, it must be located as prescribed for the temperature sensor in §153.440(a)(3).
(2) A total of 2 readings must be made, the first reading to be made no more than 30 minutes after cargo transfer begins and the second reading no more than 30 minutes before the main cargo pump is shut down.
(3) The cargo’s temperature is the average of the 2 readings made under paragraph (d)(2) of this section.

§ 153.909 Completing the Cargo Record Book and record retention: Categories A, B, C, and D.

(a) The person in charge of a ship shall ensure that the Cargo Record