§ 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.

[CGD 78–128, 47 FR 21210, May 17, 1982]

§ 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.

[CGD 81–090, 50 FR 21391, May 29, 1985; as amended by CGD 88–100, 54 FR 40042, Sept. 29, 1989]

§ 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, from the cargo’s manufacturer or the person listed as the shipper on the bill of lading, a written statement of the following:

1. For Category A or B NLS, 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.
2. For Category C NLS, the cargo’s viscosity at 20 °C in mPa.s and, if the cargo’s viscosity exceeds 60 mPa.s at 20 °C, the temperature at which the viscosity is 60 mPa.s. If the cargo’s viscosity varies from shipment to shipment, the maximum viscosity and maximum temperature values may be supplied.

(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
coast 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 Book required under §153.490 is completed immediately after any of the following occurs:

(1) An NLS cargo is loaded.

(2) An NLS cargo is transferred between tanks on a ship.

(3) An NLS cargo is unloaded from a tank.

(4) A tank that last carried an NLS cargo is prewashed under this part.

(5) A tank that last carried an NLS cargo is washed, except as reported under paragraph (a)(4) of this section, cleaned, or ventilated.

(6) Washings from a tank that last carried an NLS cargo are discharged to the sea.

(7) Tanks that last carried an NLS cargo are ballasted.

(8) Ballast water is discharged to the sea from a cargo tank that last carried an NLS.

(9) An NLS cargo or NLS residue is discharged to the sea by accident or except as allowed by this part.

(10) A Surveyor is present during an operation that this part requires the presence of a Surveyor.

(11) NLS residue or NLS cargo is transferred from cargo pumproom bilges or transferred to an incinerator.

(12) A waiver is issued to the ship, ship owner, ship operator, or person in charge of the ship under this part.

(13) The concentration of a Category A NLS residue is measured under §153.1120(a).

(14) Any discharge recording equipment required by §153.481(b)(2) fails.

(b) The person in charge of the ship shall ensure that the Cargo Record Book is on board and readily available for inspection and copying by the Coast Guard and when the ship is a U.S. ship in the waters of a foreign country whose Administration is signatory to MARPOL 73/78, the authorities of that country.

(c) Each officer in charge of an operation listed under paragraph (a) of this section, and each Surveyor observing an operation that this part requires the presence of a Surveyor, shall attest to the accuracy and completeness of each Cargo Record Book entry concerning those operations by signing after each entry.

(d) After all the entries on a page of the Cargo Record Book are completed, and if the person in charge of the ship agrees with the entries, the person in charge of the ship shall sign the bottom of that page.

(e) The ship owner or operator shall ensure that—

(1) Each Cargo Record Book is retained on board the ship for at least 3 years after the last entry; and

(2) Each discharge recording required by §153.1126(b)(1) is retained on board the ship for at least three years.

§ 153.910 Cargo piping plan.

No person may operate a tankship unless the tankship has a cargo piping plan that:

(a) Shows all cargo piping on the tankship;

(b) Shows all cargo valving, pumps, and other equipment that is used during cargo transfer;

(c) Shows the cargo tanks;

(d) Shows any modifications necessary to a containment system that is to be separated as prescribed under