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**§ 151.03-49 Sounding tube.**

This is an unperforated tube fitted to an ullage hole, secured so as to be vapor tight to the underside of the tank top open at the bottom, and extending to within 18 inches or less of the bottom of the tank.

**§ 151.03-51 Tank barge.**

A non-self-propelled vessel especially constructed or converted to carry bulk liquid cargo in tanks.

**§ 151.03-53 Tankerman.**

The following ratings are established in part 13 of this chapter. The terms for the ratings identify persons holding valid merchant mariner credentials or merchant mariners' documents for service in the ratings issued under that part:

- (a) Tankerman-PIC.
- (b) Tankerman-PIC (Barge).
- (c) Restricted Tankerman-PIC.
- (d) Restricted Tankerman-PIC (Barge).
- (e) Tankerman-Assistant.
- (f) Tankerman-Engineer.

[CGD 79-116, 60 FR 17157, Apr. 4, 1995, as amended by USCG-2006-24371, 74 FR 11266, Mar. 16, 2009]

**§§ 151.03-55 [Reserved]**

**Subpart 151.04—Inspection and Certification**

**§ 151.04-1 Certificate of inspection.**

(a) A certificate of inspection is required for every unmanned tank barge subject to the requirements in this subchapter. A certificate of inspection shall be issued to the barge or to its owners by the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, if the barge is found to comply with applicable inspection laws and the regulations in this chapter.

(b) The certificate of inspection shall be endorsed with respect to the waters over which the barge may be operated.

(c) The certificate shall be endorsed describing the cargoes by name as given in Table 151.05 or as specifically approved by the Commandant. No other dangerous cargo as defined in Subpart 151.01-1 shall be carried. Certificates shall specify maximum cargo weight (short tons), maximum density

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(pounds per gallon) and any operating limitations and a limiting draft.

[CGFR 70-10, 35 FR 3714, Feb. 25, 1970, as amended by CGD 88-100, 54 FR 40029, Sept. 29, 1989]

**§ 151.04-2 Inspection required.**

(a) Every unmanned tank barge subject to the regulations in this subchapter shall be inspected every five years. More frequent inspections may be required, if necessary, by the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, to see that the hull, equipment and appliances of the vessel comply with the marine inspection laws, and the regulations of this subchapter and other subchapters where applicable.

(b) [Reserved]

[CGFR 70-10, 35 FR 3714, Feb. 25, 1970, as amended by USCG-2007-29018, 72 FR 53967, Sept. 21, 2007]

**§ 151.04-3 Initial inspection.**

(a) The initial inspection which may consist of a series of inspections during the construction of an unmanned barge shall include a complete inspection of the structure, auxiliary machinery, and equipment. The inspection shall be such as to insure that the arrangement, materials, and scantlings of the hull structure, tanks and pressure vessels and their appurtenances comply with applicable regulations of this chapter and with the requirements of this part.

(b) [Reserved]

**§ 151.04-5 Inspection for certification.**

(a) An inspection for certification is a prerequisite of the reissuance of a Certificate of Inspection as provided for in applicable regulations of this chapter.

(b) Unless otherwise specified in table 151.05, cargo tanks are internally examined as follows:

(1) Where the cargo tank is of the gravity type and the structural framing is on the internal tank surface, the tank shall be inspected internally at the time of inspection for certification.

(2) Where the cargo tank is of the gravity type and the structural framing is on the external tank surface accessible for examination from voids, cofferdams, double bottoms, and other