

Send comments to Summer King, SAMHSA Reports Clearance Officer, OAS, Room 7-1044, 1 Choke Cherry Road, Rockville, MD 20857. Written comments should be received by June 21, 2005.

Dated: April 15, 2005.

**Anna Marsh,**

*Executive Officer, SAMHSA.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

[USCG-2005-21002]

#### Towing Safety Advisory Committee; Vacancies

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Request for applications.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard seeks applications for membership on the Towing Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC). TSAC advises the Coast Guard on matters relating to shallow-draft inland and coastal waterway navigation and towing safety.

**DATES:** Application forms should reach us on or before May 27, 2005

**ADDRESSES:** You may request an application form by writing to Commandant (G-MSO-1), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001; by calling (202) 267-0214; or by faxing (202) 267-4570. Send your original completed and signed application in written form to the above street address. This notice is available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov> in docket USCG-2005-21002 and the application form is also available at <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/advisory/index.htm> (click on "ACM Application").

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Gerald Miente; Assistant Executive Director of TSAC, telephone (202) 267-0214, fax (202) 267-4570, or e-mail [gmiente@comdt.uscg.mil](mailto:gmiente@comdt.uscg.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Towing Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC) is a Federal advisory committee mandated by Congress and operates under 5 U.S.C. App. 2, (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770, as amended). It advises the Secretary of Homeland Security on matters relating to shallow-draft inland and coastal waterway navigation and towing safety. This advice also assists the Coast Guard in formulating the position of the United States in advance

of meetings of the International Maritime Organization.

TSAC meets at least once a year at Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, DC, or another location selected by the Coast Guard. It may also meet for extraordinary purposes. Its working groups may meet to consider specific issues as required. The 16-person membership includes 7 representatives of the Barge and Towing Industry (reflecting a regional geographical balance); 1 member from the Offshore Mineral and Oil Supply Vessel Industry; and 2 members from each of the following areas: Maritime Labor; Shippers (of whom at least one shall be engaged in the shipment of oil or hazardous materials by barge); Port Districts, Authorities, or Terminal Operators; and the General Public.

We are currently considering applications for two positions from the Barge and Towing Industry, one position from Port Districts, Authorities, or Terminal Operators, one position from Labor, and one position from the General Public. To be eligible, applicants should have particular expertise, knowledge, and experience relative to the position in towing operations, marine transportation, or business operations associated with shallow-draft inland and coastal waterway navigation and towing safety. Each member serves for a term of up to 4 years. A few members may serve consecutive terms. All members serve at their own expense and receive no salary, reimbursement of travel expenses, or other compensation from the Federal Government.

In support of the policy of the Department of Homeland Security on gender and ethnic diversity, we encourage qualified women and members of minority groups to apply.

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**Howard L. Hime,**

*Acting Director of Standards, Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

[USCG-2005-21001]

#### Towing Safety Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Towing Vessel Inspection Working Group of the Towing Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC) will meet

to discuss matters relating to specific issues of towing safety. The meetings will be open to the public.

**DATES:** The Towing Vessel Inspection Working Group will meet on Wednesday, May 4, 2005 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on Thursday, May 5, 2005 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The meetings may close early if all business is finished. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before April 27, 2005. Requests to have a copy of your material distributed to each member of the Working Group should reach the Coast Guard on or before April 27, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** The Working Group will meet at the Arlington Hilton, 950 North Stafford Street, Arlington, VA 22203. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to Mr. Gerald Miente, Commandant (G-MSO-1), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. This notice and related documents are available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov> under the docket number USCG-2005-21001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Gerald Miente, Assistant Executive Director of TSAC, telephone 202-267-0214, fax 202-267-4570, or e-mail [gmiente@comdt.uscg.mil](mailto:gmiente@comdt.uscg.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice of these meetings is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2 (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770, as amended).

#### Agenda of Working Group Meetings

The agenda for the Towing Vessel Inspection Working Group tentatively includes the following items:

(1) Which items should be included in every towing vessel safety management system and should be part of the regulatory requirement defining an acceptable SMS?

(2) Which items should be required as part of the towing vessel inspection regime, but fall into the category of "standards" or regulation rather than elements of a safety management system?

(3) What, if anything, is missing (either in terms of a safety management system element or standards) that should be required as part of the new towing vessel inspection regime?

#### Procedural

The meetings are open to the public. Please note that the meetings may close early if all business is finished. At the Chair's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meeting. If you would like to

make an oral presentation at the meeting, please notify the Assistant Executive Director (as provided above in for further information contact) no later than April 27, 2005.

Written material for distribution at the meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than April 27, 2005.

#### Information on Services for Individuals with Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact Mr. Mianta at the number listed in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** as soon as possible.

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**Howard L. Hime,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

[USCG-2003-16682]

#### Interpretations of Vessel Tonnage Measurement Regulations

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice advises the public of a recent change to Marine Safety Center Technical Note (MTN) 01-99, Tonnage Technical Policy, which is used for interpreting the Coast Guard's vessel tonnage measurement regulations. This notice advises the public on how to obtain the recent change to the MTN, and summarizes the interpretations included in this change.

**DATES:** This notice is effective on April 22, 2005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions on this notice, call Peter Eareckson, Chief, Tonnage Division, United States Coast Guard Marine Safety Center, (202) 366-6502. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Andrea M. Jenkins, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone (202) 366-0271.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Comments

If you have comments on how the Marine Safety Center Technical Note (MTN) on tonnage measurement may be obtained and the process by which the MTN is periodically updated, please

submit your comments, identified by Coast Guard docket number USCG-2003-16682, to the Docket Management Facility located at the U.S. Department of Transportation. To avoid duplication, please use only one of the following methods:

(1) Web site: <http://dms.dot.gov>.

(2) Mail: Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

(3) Fax: (202) 493-2251.

(4) Delivery: Room PL-401 on the Plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (202) 366-9329.

(5) Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

#### Viewing Comments and Documents

To view comments, as well as documents mentioned in this notice as being available in the docket, go to <http://dms.dot.gov> at any time and conduct a simple search using the docket number. You may also visit the Docket Management Facility in room PL-401 on the Plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

#### Background

The Coast Guard is responsible for maintaining regulations for assigning gross and net tonnages and registered dimensions to vessels. These regulations are found in title 46, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), part 69, Measurement of Vessels. A **Federal Register** notice published on December 22, 2003 (68 FR 71118), describes the process by which the Coast Guard establishes interpretations of these regulations to respond to novel situations, on a case-by-case basis, through policy decisions, and summarizes the interpretations in the MTN. Periodically, these interpretations are evaluated as to their appropriateness for incorporation into the tonnage measurement regulations.

The MTN is maintained by the Coast Guard Marine Safety Center (MSC) and is posted on the MSC's Web site at <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/msc>. A copy of the current version of the MTN is available in the docket (see "Viewing Comments and Documents," above). While the MTN is intended for use by organizations authorized to perform tonnage measurement on behalf of the Coast Guard, the Coast Guard recognizes that it contains information that may

affect decisions on vessel designs and that the public may benefit by our making it widely available to parties other than authorized measurement organizations.

#### Change 7 to the MTN

The MSC periodically issues changes to the MTN to keep it up-to-date with relevant policy decisions. The most recent change (Change 7) was issued on March 29, 2005. Change 7 includes the following:

1. Clarifications on the treatment of overhanging roofs when evaluating excludable space associated with end openings.
2. Correction of an inconsistency introduced in a previous change to the MTN regarding treatment of partial decks.
3. Criteria for assessing when deck recesses and other discontinuities in the uppermost complete deck and the tonnage deck invalidate the "stem to stern" and "side to side" requirement for such decks, or can otherwise affect the location of the line of the respective deck.
4. Clarification of the method by which volumes of outside shaft tunnels and other hull recesses and deck recesses are not included in under-deck tonnage.
5. Clarification of the method of establishing offset adjustments when calculating the under-deck tonnage of vessels with unconventional hull forms.
6. Clarifications on the treatment of water closet spaces contained within passenger spaces occupied by more than one person.
7. Interpretations prohibiting the exemption as passenger space of space that rests on a break deck that is part of the uppermost complete deck.
8. Clarifications on the treatment as open space of semi-enclosed spaces that are outside the boundary bulkhead of a structure.
9. Interpretations relative to the treatment of exemptible water ballast tanks that consist of contiguous but distinct spaces of varying shapes and sizes.
10. Clarification that certain deductible spaces may be included in tonnage upon request of the vessel owner.
11. Clarification that dry cargo and stores spaces are any spaces not occupied by liquids or used for the accommodation or berthing of passengers or crew.
12. Criteria for assessing when watertight bulwarks and similar structures are included in the overall length.