



Vessel Safety Check Report February 2022

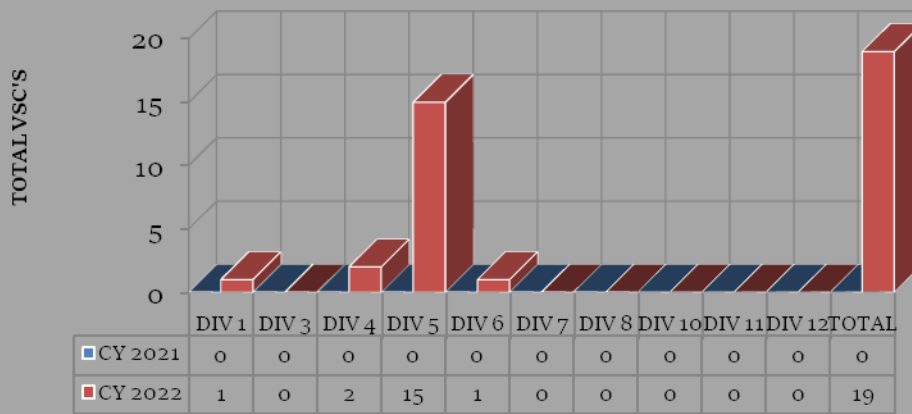


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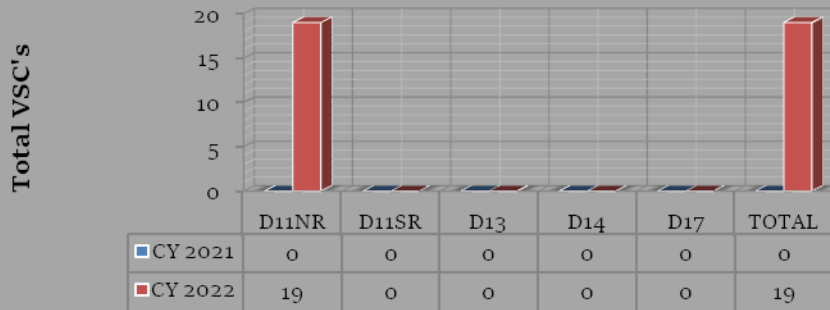
District Statistics*

D11NR VSC PRODUCTION THRU January 31, 2022*



PAC AREA Statistics

PAC AREA VSC's Thru January 31, 2022*



There was NO VSC activity for January 2021. There is no VSC goal for 2022 in D11NR. The data source is AUXDATA2*. Additional stats from AUXDATA2* indicates that 11 or 57% have passed the VSC, 14 or 74% are First Time VSC's, and 15 or 79% are High Focus VSC's. In addition 0 Paddlecraft VSC's have been performed, which is approximately 0% of our total VSC production. We currently have 195 ACTIVE Vessel Examiners (VE's)

*Current statistics shown in AUXDATA2 thru January 31, 2022.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following member(s) who have achieved the **20+ VSC** plateau for **2021**. This brings our total to **17** examiners for **2021** who are part of an elite group- approximately **8%** of our D11NR Vessel Examiner membership (**195**). These members have received special recognition and their names are listed on the member recognition page: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/recognition.html>

Calendar

-D/TRAIN March-25-26-27, 2022

-N/TRAIN- March-25-26-27, 2022

Additional events may be found by clicking on the calendar link on the D11NR VE website: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html>

VSC Questions

-These are actual questions from VE Exam Version "E" dated 2014. Answers can be found in another location in the report.

1. When awarding a VSC decal on a paddle craft, which statement regarding placement of the decal is NOT true?

- a. Place decal where it can easily be seen.
- b. It should be placed near the HIN.
- c. Make sure it is affixed in the presence of the VE.
- d. Should be placed on port side, forward of amidships.

2. Operational Facilities must carry _____ above the number required for facility size:

- a. 2 extra portable fire extinguishers
- b. 1 type B-I and 1 type B-II extra fire extinguishers
- c. 1 extra portable fire extinguisher
- d. 2 B-II type extra fire extinguishers

National and District News

National News

NEW- "As you are no doubt aware, Paddle craft are a quickly growing area of recreational boating activity. To increase the focus on this growing community, DIR-V has authorized the Incentives Division (VI) to conduct a Directors Coin Challenge.

National will reward each Districts' Top Paddle craft Vessel Examiner (VE) with a DIR-V Coin. Data will be collected by the VI Division from AUXDATA II for the period 1 Jan 2022 to 31 Dec 2022. Coins will be distributed at the end of the month of February 2023 and the DCO and DSO-VE will receive notification of the winner."

Source: Tom Niles DVC-VI, V-Directorate

" A complete revision of the National Testing Center VE Qualification Exam was completed. During the process, your comments and recommendations were incorporated. All the existing questions and answers were reviewed for completeness and accuracy. Revisions were made, as required. Additional questions were added to verify the potential VE has a current understanding of VE issues and procedures. The exam is been uploaded and should be online imminently. This follows a revision and update to the VE Practice Exam earlier this year.

A reminder that the Vessel Examiner Program/RBS Program Visitor Ribbon is only to recognize VEs and RBSPVs. It cannot be awarded for qualification as a Commercial Fishing Vessel, Uninspected Passenger Vessel, or Uninspected Towing Vessel Examiner. This is because the CFV, UPV and UTV are programs in support of Coast Guard activities while VSC are authorized by Auxiliary Sector Commanders. In addition, the examiners for Coast Guard programs are recognized via the Marine Safety Training Ribbon.

A recent manipulation of the email functionality of the "I Want a VSC" occurred resulting in the system being taken off-line until the situation can be corrected. There was no data breach. You will be informed when the situation has been corrected."

Source: Joseph Reichal DVC-VE

District News

NEW-Just a reminder that now that AUXDATA2 has been updated, the 2022 VSC decals were shipped the week of January 17th to the FC or DCDR of record.

NEW-The newly updated "I Want A VSC" is now live.

-VSC activity in D11NR has been reinstated with special Phase 3 guidelines. Please go to the D11NR website: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html>. "HOTLINE MESSAGES" to find the complete file including uniform requirements, mask requirements, and the assignment to duty .

- VSC's ON RENTALS-At the request of Commodore Kirkwood, and after 18-years, the VSC Rental Program was updated in 2019 and moving forward. ANYONE who performs rental VSC's on PWC's, fishing boats, houseboats, paddlecraft, etc. MUST be aware of the new changes in effect after 1 June 2019.

ve test answers 1 "B" see pg 5-2 "C" see 7003 p2

Please go to the D11NR Vessel Examiner (VE) website:

<http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html> and review ML-1 thru ML-4 and closely review and follow the instructions as ALL of these forms have been revised and approved by DCO Kirkwood.

Any any new vendors paperwork copy must be emailed or mailed to the DSO-VE. Billy Ray, ADSO-VE will be administering this program, but if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Source: Mike Lauro DSO-VE

NEW - "The California State Parks, the California Coastal Commission and The Bay Foundation in partnership with your organization are ready to start promoting our 2022 Dockwalker trainings. In 2022 we are offering a hybrid model combining virtual and some in-person Dockwalker trainings. During the virtual trainings (through the Zoom video conferencing system) the instructor will be live and participants will be able to ask questions! A reminder to current Dockwalkers if you were trained 3 years ago it is time to get recertified. Even during the COVID-19 pandemic, boaters continue to recreate in California's waterways. As such, the need to share clean boating practices with California's recreational community, while abiding to COVID-19 guidelines, remains important. ***Last year thanks to your efforts, we were able to safely share clean boating practices and distribute the CA Boater Kits among 5,500 California Boaters throughout the state!*** For more information including dates, times, and locations, please contact: Vivian Matuk @ vivian.matuk@coastal.ca.gov at the California Coastal Commission, or https://dbw.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=29230

Source: Vivian Matuk

-PLEASE do NOT wear boots to climb aboard a vessel to perform a VSC. Our program allows for deck shoes, white or black tennis/walking with soft soles. If this is not an option, please consider purchasing disposal shoe/boot covers available in the paint or hardware dept. at Wal-Mart, Lowes, Home Depot, etc, a package of 6 for under \$10.

-A special request from the Director's office; PLEASE have the qualifying members 7038 with the 5 VSC's entered into AUXDATA by the FSO/SO-IS **PRIOR** to submission of the MT-2 to the Director's office.

DID YOU KNOW that the sentence "the quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog" uses every letter in the English alphabet!

Let's work together for our safety and the safety of others by setting an example and wear our lifejackets while performing VSC's especially when working around docks and when climbing aboard large vessels!

