

The NEW D11NR VSC goal for 2023 is **3**,000 VSC's. Currently we are 253% of 2022 and have 28% of the PAC AREA VSC total. The data source is AUXDATA2\*. Additional stats from AUXDATA2\* indicates that 168 or 82% have passed the VSC, 50 or 24% are First Time VSC's, and 29 or 14% are High Focus VSC's. In addition 12 Paddlecraft VSC's have been performed, which is approximately 14% of our total VSC production. We currently have 123 ACTIVE Vessel Examiners (VE's) which averages 1.6 VSC's per examiner. National average is 20 VSC's per examiner. \*Current Year End statistics shown in AUXDATA2 thru February 28, 2023

## Calendar

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

-D/Train-Reno March 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> -PCA Training Fair September 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>

## VSC Questions

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

- 1. Portable toilets
  - a. Can be a Type I, II, or III MSD.
  - b. May be dumped overboard in US waters.
  - c. Are not considered installed devices.
  - d. Must have a plaque showing it is Coast Guard approved.

## 2.A documented recreational vessel is required to:

- a. Display the name and hailing port on the stern in letters at least 4" high.
- b. Display the name and hailing port on both sides of the bow and stern in letters at least 4" high.
- c. Display the name and hailing port on some conspicuous part of the hull in letters at least 4" high.
- d. Have the official number and net tonnage painted on the main beam in letters at least 4" high.

# **Ongratulations**!

Congratulations to the following member(s) who have achieved the **20+ VSC** plateau for **2022**. This brings our total to 3 examiner(s) for **2023** who are part of an elite group-approximately **3%** of our D11NR Vessel Examiner membership (**123**). These members have received special recognition and their names are listed on the member recognition page: <a href="http://rbsafety.dllnuscgaux.info/ve/recognition.html">http://rbsafety.dllnuscgaux.info/ve/recognition.html</a>

Laurence Boag	12-01	Thomas J. Hurley	05-01
Michael J. Lauro	10-03	Anna Stevens	12-01

## District and National News

## **V**District News

-<u>NEW</u>-A review of the National Vessel Examiner workshop is planned for D/Train on Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup>. <u>2023 Self-Attestation WILL be provided!</u> Time permitting there will be an overview of how to enter your VSC activity into AUXDATA2.If there is enough interest, an impromptu discussion/question and answer session can take place at a location to be determined.

-NEW- 48 examiners of the D11NR Vessel Examiner corps or 39% of the 123 shown in AUXDATA2 have now completed the National workshop.

-<u>NEW</u>-When qualifying a NEW examiner, and making the entry into AUXDATA2, <u>PLEASE</u> make certain that you list the member as a "<u>TRAINEE</u>", and not as a <u>NON-LEAD</u>. Please refer to ANSC 7038 for the correct listing and please remind your FSO-IS to review for this important information. Source: Pam Berger DSO-IS

-NEW-If you are an active Vessel Examiner(VE) and are or have been at least an FSO-VE and are interested in joining the D11NR VE staff as an ADSO-VE, please contact me to discuss the requirements at: dso-ve11n@att.net

-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. <u>ANYONE</u> who performs rental VSC's on PWC's, fishing boats, houseboats, paddlecraft, etc. <u>MUST</u> be aware of the new changes in effect after 1 June 2019. Please go to the D11NR Vessel Examiner (VE) website: <u>http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html and review ML-1</u> thru ML-4 and closely review and follow the instructions as ALL of these forms have <u>been revised and approved by DCO Kirkwood.</u> Any any new vendor paperwork copy must be emailed or mailed to the DSO-VE. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Source: Mike Lauro DSO-VE

-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.

#### **Wational News**

-NEW The 2023 MANDATORY "VSC Workshop" has been released by National. Please complete the Workshop ASAP and as in the past, it is "required" to be completed by June 30, 2023. As with previous workshops, this is not a heavy lift and should take no more than about 15-20 minutes.

The workshop is easily accessible and downloadable from your D11NR VE website: <u>http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html</u>. Please fill out the "Self-Attestation" form and as in the past, submit the signed form to your FSO-IS Officer to be entered into AUXDATA2. Completing the VSC Workshop can be done individually on your phone or desktop, or as a group, but each Vessel Examiner is individually responsible to complete & submit their own Self-Attestation.

The 2023 workshop review includes: VE test answers 1 "C" pg 3-27 "C" 3-3

-Important educational talking points for Paddlecraft.

-Information about PFD "Intended Use" Label changes.

- -Clarification about the new Fire Extinguisher requirements.
- -Uniform Requirements

This is a National workshop/review and if not completed by June 30, 2023, you will be in REWORK. Any VSC's performed AFTER cannot be entered into AUXDATA2. After December 31, 2023, you will be in REYR status and will still to complete to workshop plus complete 2 mentored VSC's.

**DID YOU KNOW:** There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar!



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!

