



Vessel Safety Check Report September 2023

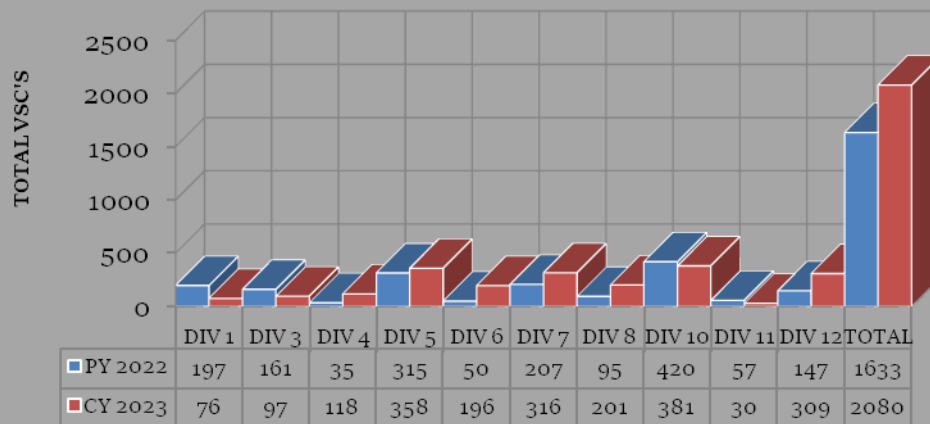


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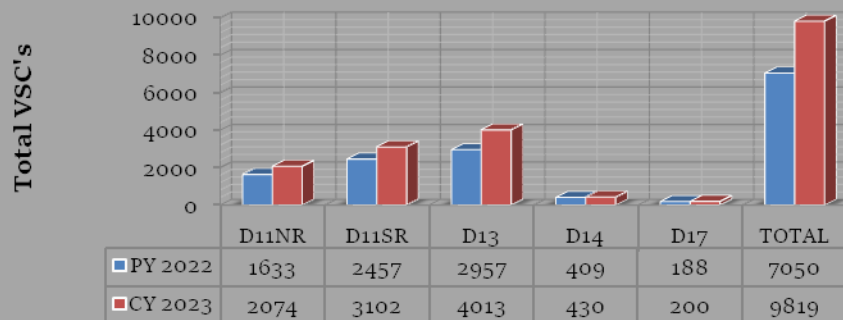
District Statistics*

D11NR VSC PRODUCTION THRU August 31, 2023*



PAC AREA Statistics

PAC AREA VSC's Thru August 31, 2023*



The **NEW** D11NR VSC goal for 2023 is **3,000** VSC's. Currently we are **139%** of 2022 and have **21%** of the PAC AREA VSC total. The data source is AUXDATA2*. Additional stats from AUXDATA2* indicates that **1693** or **81%** have passed the VSC, **1220** or **59%** are First Time VSC's, and **951** or **46%** are High Focus VSC's. In addition **618** Paddlecraft VSC's have been performed, which is approximately **30%** of our total VSC production. We currently have **106** ACTIVE Vessel Examiners (VE's) which averages **19** VSC's per examiner. National average is **20** VSC's per examiner.

*Current Year statistics shown in AUXDATA2 thru August 31, 2023

Calendar

Additional events may be found by clicking on the calendar link on the D11NR VE website:

<http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html>

-PCA Training Fair

CGI

September 16th-17th

VSC Questions

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

1. Operational Facilities (other than PWC facilities) must own and maintain:

- a. An inflatable lifeboat.
- b. Navigation Rules publications, COMDTINST M16672.2.
- c. A full radar suite.
- d. A Quick Reference Navigation Rules card.

2. When checking a 27' stern drive boat, the owner cannot produce the pole for the combined stern and masthead light. Is the boat eligible for the VSC decal?

- a. No, it doesn't matter where the pole is, that lighting configuration isn't legal on a boat longer than 26'.
- b. Yes, if the owner advises you that the boat only gets underway during daylight.
- c. No, even though it is daylight, the VE must ensure that the boat is able to display the proper navigation lights.
- d. Yes, but the owner needs to promise the VE that the pole will always be onboard in the future.

test answers 1-"B" 7003 pg 2 2-"C" pg 3-24

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following member(s) who have achieved the **30+ VSC** plateau for **2023**. This brings our total to 14 examiner(s) for **2023** who are part of an elite group-approximately **10%** of our D11NR Vessel Examiner membership (**106**). These members have received special recognition and their names are listed on the member recognition page: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/recognition.html>

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District and National News

District News

-NEW Vessel Examiners who did not complete the required workshop by 30 June 2023 have had their corresponding competency placed in REWK status. Examiners must complete the workshop and once it is entered into AUXDATA, notify DIRAUX of the completion to have the REWK flag removed. Members with a competency in REWK status are NOT authorized to perform the mission until their competency is set to Certified status.

Source: Pam Berger DSO-IS

NEW-PLEASE pass the word that the Vessel Examiner (VE) class is coming to the September PCA Fair. This will be a 2-day class including the final exam on Sunday. Saturday's session will from 0730 to 1130 and instructed by Laurence Boag ADSO-VE. Sunday also starts at 0730 with the exam after lunch. In addition to bringing a pencil and highlighter, the member needs to download and review the manual from the D11NR VE website: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html>. As in the past, many handouts will be provided. This is a great opportunity to get newer members involved flotilla activities, help rebuild our examiner base and help support RBS.

-When qualifying a NEW examiner, and making the entry into AUXDATA2, PLEASE make certain that you list the member as a "TRAINEE", and not as a NON-LEAD. 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

-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. 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 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 10 for about \$12.

National News

-The new ANSC 7012 dated 4/22 has been finally been released by ANSC. This replaces the previous 9/18 version. The new version adds the ECOS category. Previous versions may be used.

Source: Randy Ernst MGR ANSC

BET YOU DIDN'T KNOW:

There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar!



Remember to wear your lifejacket as required for your safety when working around docks and climbing aboard large vessels. Consider wearing one while performing VSC's at the ramp to help set an example.

