



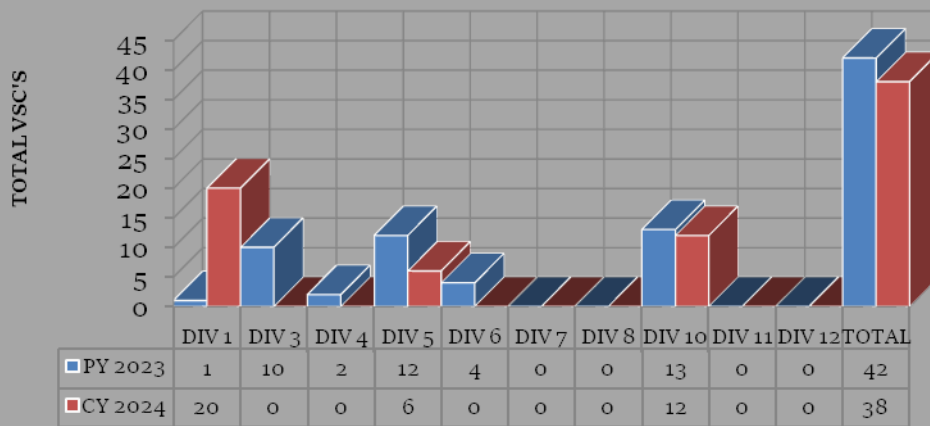
Vessel Safety Check Report February 2024 Mike Lauro DSO-VE



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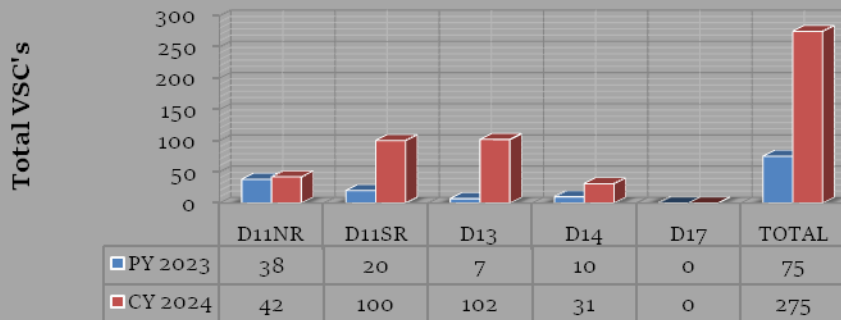
District Statistics*

D11NR VSC PRODUCTION THRU JANUARY 31, 2024*



PAC AREA Statistics

PAC AREA VSC's Thru JANUARY 31, 2024*



The **NEW** D11NR VSC goal for 2024 is **4,000 VSC's**. Currently we are **90%** of 2023 and have **51%** of the PAC AREA VSC total. The data source is AOXDATA2*. Additional stats from AOXDATA2* indicates that **32** or **43%** have passed the VSC, **5** or **6%** are First Time VSC's, and **22** or **29%** are High Focus VSC's. In addition **5** Paddlecraft VSC's have been performed, which is approximately **6%** of our total VSC production. We currently have **110 ACTIVE** Vessel Examiners (VE's) which averages **VSC's per examiner**. National average is **20 VSC's per examiner**, PACARREA **21 VSC's per Examiner**.

*Current Year statistics shown in AOXDATA2 thru January 31, 2024

Calendar

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

-ZOOM VE TRAINING

March 30th-31st 2024

-NSBW

May 18th-24th 2024

VSC Questions

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

1. Inflatable Life Jackets (PFDs) are becoming more and more popular. You are examining a 22' stern drive vessel with two adults and two pre-teen children aboard. They proudly show you their four new inflatable PFDs, which are out of the manufacturer's original packaging. If everything else is okay, can you issue a VSC decal?

- a. No. Inflatable Life Jackets (PFDs) are not yet Coast Guard Approved so they don't count as acceptable for carriage.
- b. Yes, Inflatable life jackets are acceptable for anyone on board.
- c. No, inflatable Life Jackets (PFDs) are not approved for children under 16 years of age.
- d. Yes, but you need to examine the firing device by removing the CO2 cartridge to determine it has not been used.

2. On ANSC 7003, if the boat is not trailerable, do all owners have to Initial?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. No, only one owner
- d. Initials are not required

Congratulations

Congratulations to the following 9 members who have completed part 1 of the Vessel Examiner qualification by passing the exam at the PCA Training Fair. Please assist your flotilla members by mentoring them to complete their 5 VSC's to complete the qualification.

DEAN K. SANDS	01-02	ROBERT RUBY	01-04
TRAVIS NAGLER	03-01	ANTHONY CHAMBERLAIN	04-01
ANTHONY HAYNES	05-01	RYAN BLEA	12-91
MADLINE BONACI	05-01	JO EDWARDS	10-02
VIVIAN MC BRIDE	12-01		

Congratulations

Congratulations to the following member(s) who have achieved the 30+ VSC plateau for 2023. This brings our total to 20 examiner(s) for 2023 who are part of an elite group-approximately 15% of our D11NR Vessel Examiner membership (112). 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 The 2024 VSC decals were shipped on 1/17/24 and are now in the hands of your Flotilla Commander(FC). Please see your FC for your allocation.

-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

NEW-The anticipated and MANDATORY VE workshop is now available and REQUIRED for all certified Vessel Examiners, including those currently training to become Vessel Examiners, and members in REYR status who intend to regain their certification. The workshop has new information regarding the VSC vs. UPV, the MMSI, EPIRB, and PLB, but is mostly a review of fire extinguishers, uniforms, etc. Also, please be certain to review Appendix B before closing the workshop.

The VE Workshop presentations are located on the National T-Directorate website at: Member Training: <https://wow.uscgaux.info/> (in the Member Zone).

As in the past, members who individually complete the VE Workshop must submit the

Workshop Attestation Form to their Flotilla Staff Office for Information Services (FSO-IS) for entry into AUXDATA2. As in the past, the workshop **MUST** be completed prior to June 30, or you will be in REWK and none of your VSC activity can be entered into AUXDATA 2.

Please don't wait to complete this 15-minute requirement and submit the paperwork.

SOURCE: NATIONAL V-DIRECTORATE

BET YOU DIDN'T KNOW:

Honey is the only food that does not spoil!



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.

