



Small Vessel Compliance Program (SVCP)

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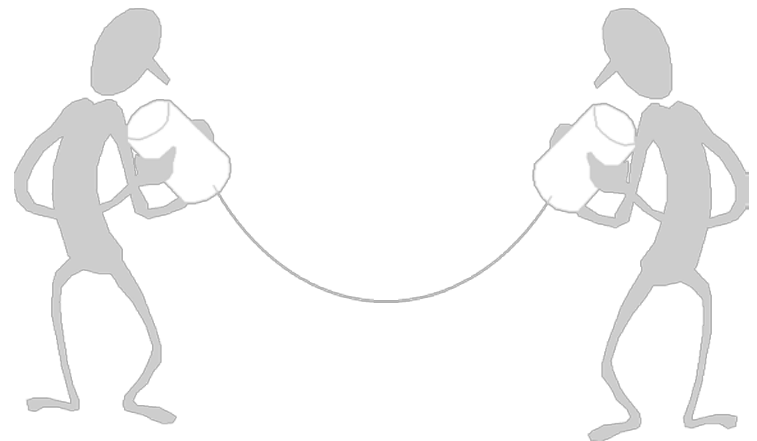
INTRODUCTION

Profile of Canadian small non-pleasure vessel fleet:

- Estimated 75-100,000 small vessels operating in Canada (90+% of the domestic fleet)
- Small vessels are subject to multiple regulations under the *Canada Shipping Act, 2001* (CSA, 2001)
 - Compliance with these requirements is mandatory and critical to safe and environmentally responsible marine operations

ISSUES

- Regulatory requirements are largely unknown within the small vessel community
 - For example, small vessels are required to register with Transport Canada, yet of the 100,000 estimated small vessels just under 34,000 are currently registered
- Communicating these obligations to small vessel owners is a challenge





COMPLIANCE

- Small vessel owners / operators are responsible for ensuring their vessel is in compliance with the CSA, 2001 and its associated regulations
- TCMSS inspects small vessel for compliance and not for the purpose of certification
- TCMSS developed the Small Vessel Compliance Program to increase awareness of and compliance with regulatory requirements



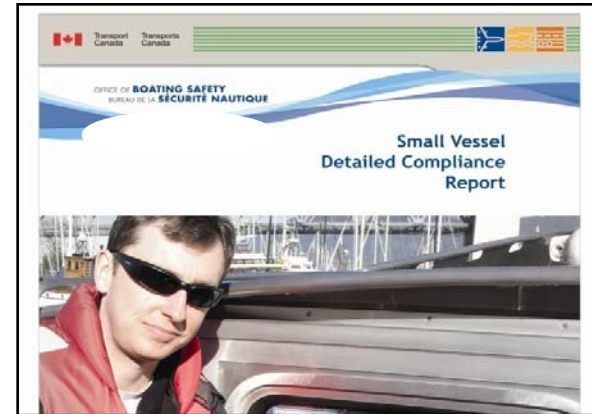


PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Launched June 2011
- Uses modern tools to:
 - Help vessel owners/operators understand and meet their obligations under the CSA, 2001
 - Help TCMSS strengthen its compliance oversight regime
- Currently applies to small non-pleasure workboats and passenger vessels 0 to 15 GT, carrying 0 to 12 passengers (excluding fishing and human-powered vessels).
- Objectives: To enhance safety in the small vessel community by emphasizing the importance of compliance and better understanding of legal requirements.

SVCP PROCESS

- Every five years, the owner/operator of a small non-pleasure vessel completes a Detailed Compliance Report and sends it to Transport Canada.



- If the report is properly completed, the owner/operator will be sent a Blue Decal to display on board their boat.
- Every year, the owner/operator completes an Annual Compliance Report and keeps these reports in their records.

*Small non-pleasure vessels may be inspected at any time by Transport Canada.



DETAILED COMPLIANCE REPORT


 Transport Canada / Transports Canada
 TP 15111E (05/2011)
SMALL VESSEL COMPLIANCE PROGRAM
 PROGRAMME DE CONFORMITÉ DES PETITS BÂTIMENTS

Small Vessel Compliance Program (Non-Pleasure Craft) (SVCP) Detailed Report



Applies to a vessel that:

- measures 0 to 15 gross tons,
- carries 0-12 passengers, and
- is not a pleasure craft used solely for recreational purposes.

TP 15111

1. Registration	Yes	No	N/A
1. Is the vessel properly registered? (CSA 2001, section 46)			
2. Is the vessel properly marked in accordance with certificate of registry? (CSA 2001, section 57)			
3. Since registration, have structural/mechanical changes and/or damages occurred to the vessel? (CSA 2001, section 58)			
4. Is a copy of the certificate of registry on board? (CSA 2001, section 63)			
Comments:			
2. Safety Procedures	Yes	No	N/A
5. Are there procedures for safely operating the vessel, including dealing with emergencies? (CSA 2001, section 100)			
6. Are procedures in place to prevent cold-water shock and hypothermia? (SVR 403/501)			
7. Are there signs and procedures for operation of mechanical blowers in all gasoline spaces? (SVR 719)			
8. Are procedures in place to close ventilation dampers or openings before firefighting? (SVR 420/520)			
9. Are procedures in place to close fuel, machinery and electric systems before firefighting? (SVR 420/520)			
10. Are procedures in place for safe refuelling and prevention of any leakage of fuel? (CSA 2001, section 106)			
Comments:			
3. Navigation Equipment	Yes	No	N/A
11. Is a sound-signalling device on board? (SVR 413/511)			
12. Are the masthead, stern, side and/or all round white lights visible for the correct range? (SVR 413/511)			
13. Are the masthead, stern, side and/or all round white lights properly located? (COLREGS R.21)			
14. Is the vessel fitted with a radar reflector? (COLREGS R.46)			
15. Is there a magnetic compass on board? (SVR 413/511)			
16. Is there an approved marine radio communication system on board? (RADIO REGS 7)			
Comments:			
4. Vessel Manning and Crew Qualifications	Yes	No	N/A
17. Are copies of crew certificates of competency/training available? (attach to this report) (MPR 212/207)			
18. Is there enough crew to handle an emergency? (MPR 207)			
19. Are crew members proficient with safety, firefighting and operational equipment? (SVR 420/520 MPR 206)			
Comments:			
5. Notices	Yes	No	N/A
20. Are safety notices placed in a visible location near any hazard? (SVR 704)			
21. Is a Compliance Notice available? (SVR 805)			
Comments:			
6. Stability, Safety and Firefighting Equipment	Yes	No	N/A
22. Is there documentation detailing buoyancy, flotation, or stability? (SVR 716/717)			
23. Is the vessel fit, by design and construction, for its intended purpose? (SVR 713)			
24. Is an approved marine first aid kit on board? (SVR 407/504)			



REPORTING

- If a vessel is enrolled in the SVCP, the owner of that vessel has chosen to complete the compliance report and attest to TCMSS that they are aware of and in compliance with the applicable regulatory requirements
 - In some cases, owners hire marine surveyors to help them complete the report
- If a vessel is not in the SVCP and the owner needs to attest to their awareness of and compliance with the applicable regulatory requirements, they can use other means such as
 - A notarized affidavit
 - A report from a marine surveyor



BENEFITS OF THE SVCP APPROACH

- Communicates regulatory requirements
- Consolidates regulatory requirements in an easy-to-use tool
- Helps operators maintain continual compliance
- Aims to improve the overall safety of enrolled vessels and to minimize the likelihood of incidents and accidents



OUTREACH

- SVCP is well-supported and has enrolled more than 1,000 small vessel operators in just over a year
- Transport Canada Marine Safety and Security (TCMSS) is reaching out to the small vessel community through a variety of channels:
 - Provincial /municipal license bureaus and harbour authorities
 - Safety awareness videos (in development)
 - Web site: www.tc.gc.ca/svcp-pcpb (recently updated)
- TCMSS is looking to coordinate communications with other organisations involved in the marine industry



QUESTIONS?

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