



Vessel Safety Check Report September 2022

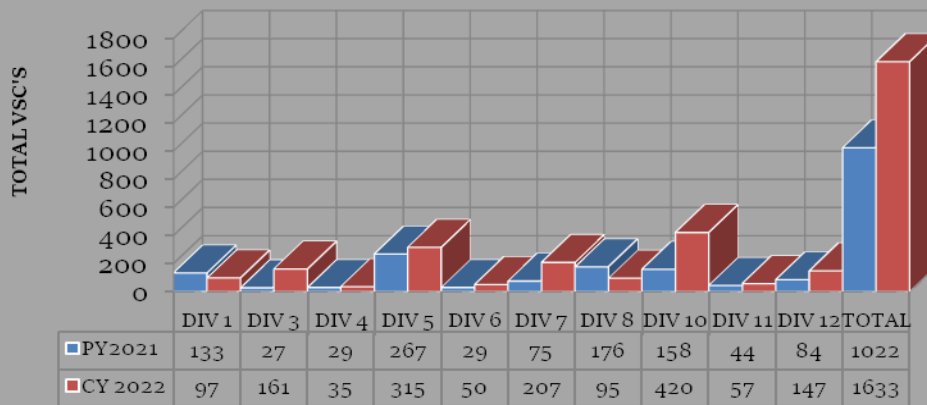


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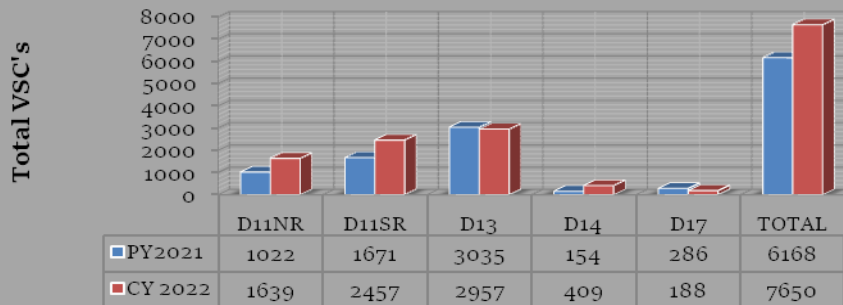
District Statistics*

D11NR VSC PRODUCTION THRU August 31, 2022*



PAC AREA Statistics

PAC AREA VSC's Thru August 31, 2022*



There wasn't a D11NR VSC goal for 2022, however we are **160%** of 2021 and have **21%** of the PAC AREA VSC total. The data source is AUXDATA2*. Additional stats from AUXDATA2* indicates that **1155** or **70%** have passed the VSC, **950** or **58%** are First Time VSC's, and **838** or **51%** are High Focus VSC's. In addition **202** Paddlecraft VSC's have been performed, which is approximately **13%** of our total VSC production. **NEW** We currently have **121** ACTIVE Vessel Examiners (VE's) which averages **13** VSC's per examiner. National average is **20** VSC's per examiner.

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

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following member(s) who have achieved the 20+ VSC plateau for 2022. This brings our total to 14 examiner(s) for 2022 who are part of an elite group- approximately 12% of our D11NR Vessel Examiner membership (121). These members have received special recognition and their names are listed on the member recognition page: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/recognition.html>

No new examiners to report

Calendar

-PCA Training Fair- September 17-18, 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. Certain gear on a vessel must be Coast Guard, S.A.E. or U.L. approved to be eligible for a VSC decal. Which items are these?

- a. Life Jackets (PFDs), VDSs, Fire Extinguishers, First Aid Kits, Anchors.
- b. Life jackets (PFDs), Fire Extinguishers, First Aid Kits, Navigation Lights, MSDs.
- c. VDSs, Life Jackets (PFDs), Fire Extinguishers, Backfire Flame Arrestors, MSDs.
- d. VDSs, Fire Extinguishers, Backfire Flame Arrestors, MSDs, Navigation Lights.

2. Paddle craft should be examined for the following:

- a. Sound producing device
- b. Navigation lights
- c. Capacity/certificate of compliance plate
- d. None of these choices

District and National News

District News

-NEW I'm actively looking for an ADSO-VE. With the incoming DCO's blessing may have the potential to become DSO-VE. If so, I'm willing to stay on as ADSO-VE for the 1st year. If interested, please reply ASAP to: dso-ve11n@att.net.

-NEW Please pass the word that once again the Vessel Examiner class is coming to PCA Fair on SUNDAY September 18th. This class will provide an excellent opportunity for new members to get involved with the Vessel Safety Check (VSC) program in the Auxiliary and help rebuild our examiner corps. Because of a scheduling conflict, this will be a 1-day class that includes a video, powerpoints, and complete text review for the member to take the on-line or written exam. The member is required to bring a copy of

the VSC Manual and review the material prior to class. A copy of the VSC Manual is available for download on the D11NR Vessel Examiner website:

<http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html>. The PCA flyer at:

<http://ops.d11nuscgaux.info/calendar/district.html> has more information. If there are any questions, please have the member contact me at: dso-ve11n@att.net.

-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, the assignment to duty, and the NEW updated ANSC 7101 dated 4/22 .

- 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 vendors paperwork copy must be emailed or mailed to the DSO-VE or Billy Ray, ADSO-VE who will be administering this program. 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.

National News

-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. ve test answers 1 "C" see pg 3-2, 2 "A" see pg 5-25 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

DID YOU KNOW: that goldfish can see both infrared and ultraviolet light!

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!

