



# Vessel Safety Check Report October 2023

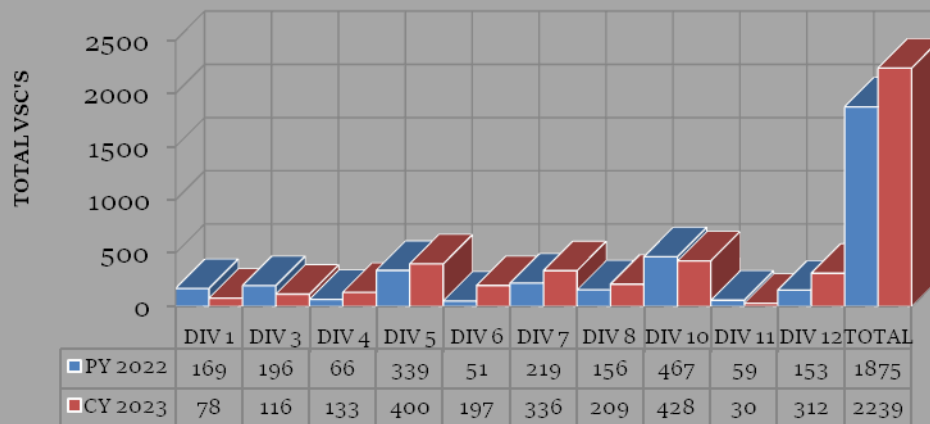


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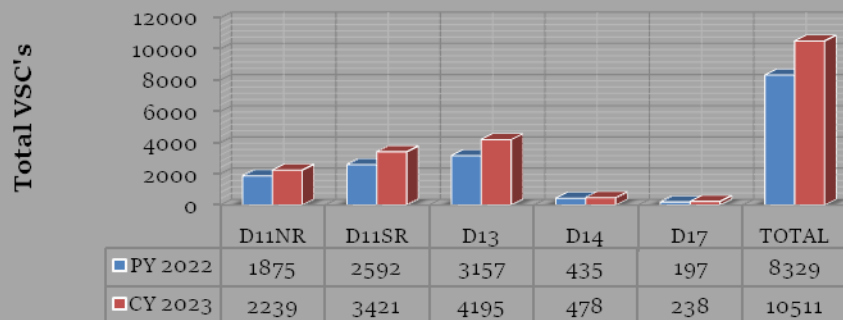
## District Statistics\*

D11NR VSC PRODUCTION THRU September 30, 2023\*



## PAC AREA Statistics

PAC AREA VSC's Thru September 30, 2023\*



The **NEW** D11NR VSC goal for 2023 is **3,000** VSC's. Currently we are **119%** of 2022 and have **21%** of the PAC AREA VSC total. The data source is AUXDATA2\*. Additional stats from AUXDATA2\* indicates that **1875** or **83%** have passed the VSC, **1357** or **61%** are First Time VSC's, and **1067** or **48%** are High Focus VSC's. In addition **688** Paddlecraft VSC's have been performed, which is approximately **30%** of our total VSC production. We currently have **113** ACTIVE Vessel Examiners (VE's) which averages **19.8** VSC's per examiner. National average is **20** VSC's per examiner.

\*Current Year statistics shown in AUXDATA2 thru September 30, 2023

## Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following member(s) who have completed part 1 of their Vessel Examiner (VE) qualification. Please assist these members in completing their qualification by mentoring them while performing 5 practice VSC's:

Robert Olsen	01-07	Chris Armbrust	04-01
Lilly Chin	04-09	Thomas Blackburn	04-09
Maruis Landauer	06-07	Thomas Peter	12-01

## 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	January 19 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup> 2024
-D/TRAIN	CGI	April 19 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup> 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. When examining a backfire flame control device, ensure:**

- a. Control grid and housing are securely attached to inner housing.
- b. The necessary approval markings are present.
- c. No damaged element or cracked housing.
- d. All of the choices.

### **2. When checking a 22' sailboat with no propulsion machinery, you notice that it is not equipped with any navigation lights. Is the boat eligible for the VSC decal?**

- a. No, even though it is a sailboat, it must be able to display the proper navigation lights.
- b. No, sailboats are very slow and cannot easily get out the way in the event of a possible collision. Without navigation lights other boaters won't see them.
- c. Yes, sailboats are specifically exempted from any requirements to carry navigation lights.
- d. Yes, but the owner must carry an electric torch or lighted lantern showing a white light that should be displayed in sufficient time to prevent a collision

## Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following member(s) who have achieved the **30+ VSC** plateau for **2023**. This brings our total to 16 examiner(s) for **2023** who are part of an elite group-approximately **10%** of our D11NR Vessel Examiner membership (**113**). These members have received special recognition and their names are listed on the member recognition page:

<http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/recognition.html> test answers 1-"D" pg3-20 -"D" pg 3-23

**Jimmin Chang**

**04-08**

**Joseph M, Heap**

**03-10**

## District and National News

### District News

**-NEW** A power point presentation released at NACON providing interesting stats on Recreational Boating Fatality trends has been posted under **HOTLINE LINE MESSAGES** on the D11NR VE website: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html>. Please take a few minutes to review this important information.

**Source: Curtis Han DCO**

-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:**  
All polar bears are left handed!



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.

