



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

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Overview

- ✓ Provide background on Transport Canada's small vessel program
- ✓ Introduce the **Small Vessel Compliance Program (Non-Pleasure Craft) (SVCP)**
- ✓ Review the process of the SVCP



Safety: A Shared Responsibility

Transport Canada:

- ✓ Promote safety in marine transportation
- ✓ Develop an effective regulatory regime
- ✓ Establish effective monitoring & enforcement
(Section 6 of the *Canada Shipping Act, 2001*)

SAFETY

Authorized Representative (AR) (Owner):

- ✓ Ensure vessel, machinery & equipment meet regulatory requirements
- ✓ Develop operational & emergency procedures
- ✓ Ensure safety training is received
(Section 106 of the *Canada Shipping Act, 2001*)



Recent Developments

LEGISLATIVE CHANGES

- 2007: *Canada Shipping Act, 2001*
- 2010: *New Small Vessel Regulations*

Triggered the need to review and update the Small Vessel Monitoring and Inspection Program (SVMIP)

OPERATIONAL CHANGES:
Successful regional Blue Decal initiatives

Development of an updated, nationally consistent program

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Launch April 1, 2011



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Objective of the Program:

- To support safety in the small vessel community by increasing understanding of and compliance with legal requirements

Strategy of the Program:

- Provide guidance and easy-to-use tools for small vessel owners/operators
- Help small vessel owners/operators understand and meet all of their obligations under the *Canada Shipping Act, 2001*
- Monitor the compliance of small vessel operations

Open to vessels that:

- Measure 0-15 GT
- Carry 0-12 passengers
- Are not pleasure craft

Note: Although the SVCP is not currently available for fishing vessels, work has begun to develop a similar approach for the fishing vessel community



SVCP Process

Prepare: Make sure your vessel is registered with Transport Canada (required under section 46 of the *Canada Shipping Act, 2001*)

<http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/marinesafety/oep-vesselreg-smallcomm-menu-542.htm>

• **Step 1:** Obtain a **Small Vessel Compliance Package** from Transport Canada (as of April 1, 2011)



• From your local Transport Canada Centre (Marine)



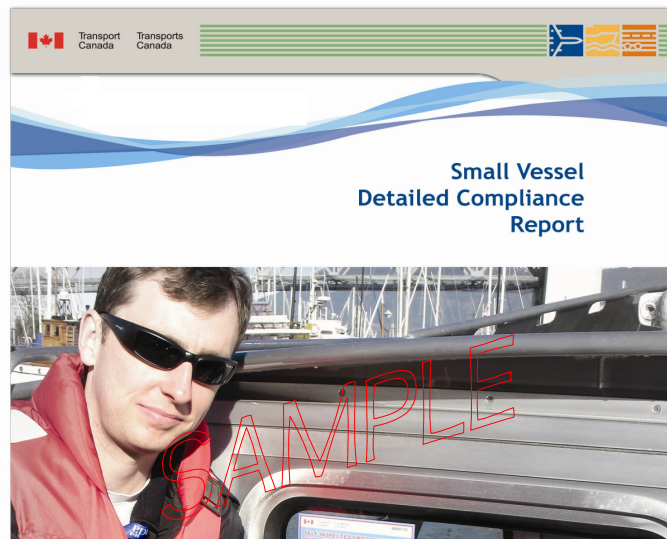
• Online at the SVCP website:

www.svcp-pcpb.tc.gc.ca



- **Step 2:** Verify that your vessel meets all of the applicable requirements under the *CSA 2001* by completing the Report, following the instructions found in the Guidance Notes.

- **Step 3:** Send your completed Report and supporting documents to your local Transport Canada Centre (Marine) for review.



PLEASE REFER TO THE GUIDANCE NOTES WHEN COMPLETING THIS REPORT

TOMBSTONE INFORMATION

Authorized Representative (AR / Owner) Particulars – All Vessels

Company Name (if any)

Name _____ Date of Application _____

Address _____

City _____ Province _____

Postal Code _____ Country _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____

Cellular _____ Email _____

Vessel Particulars – All Vessels

Vessel Name: (if any) _____ Registration Number: (if known) _____

Year Built/Imported: _____ Hull Identification Number: _____

Vessel Builder: _____

Vessel Hull Type: (check) Custom Home Built Series (Series Model number _____)

Vessel Hull Type: (check) Inflatable Monohull Multihull Sailing Other (Specify _____)

Length (m) _____ Breadth (m) _____ Depth (m) _____ Gross Tonnage #1 _____ (See Form 4A or Form 4B)

Hull Construction Material: (check) Aluminum Fibreglass Steel Wood Other (describe)

Superstructure Material: (check) Aluminum Fibreglass Steel Wood Other (describe)

Hull Colour: _____ Superstructure Colour: _____

Propulsion #1: (check) Gasoline Diesel Power _____ kw (note kw = HP x 0.746)
Inboard Outboard Inboard/Outboard Water Jet

Propulsion #2: (check) Gasoline Diesel Power _____ kw (note kw = HP x 0.746)
Inboard Outboard Inboard/Outboard Water Jet

Other Machinery (describe) _____ Other Machinery Power _____ kw

SMALL VESSEL COMPLIANCE REPORT

(1) Registration – All Vessels y/n/na

1 Is the vessel properly registered? (CSA 2001.46)

2 Is the vessel properly marked in accordance with certificate of registry? (CSA 2001.57)

3 Since registration, have structural/mechanical changes been made to the vessel? (CSA 2001.58)

4 Is a copy of the certificate of registry on board? (CSA 2001.63)

(2) Safety Procedures – All Vessels y/n/na

5 Are there procedures for safely operating the vessel including dealing with emergencies? (CSA 2001.106)

6 Are procedures in place to prevent cold-water shock and hypothermia? (SVR 403601)

7 Are there signs and procedures for operation of mechanical blowers in all gasoline spaces? (SVR 1001)

8 Are procedures in place to close ventilation dampers or openings before firefighting? (SVR 413512)

9 Are procedures in place to close fuel, machinery and electric systems before firefighting? (SVR 413512)

10 Are procedures in place for safe refuelling and prevention of any leakage of fuel? (SVR 1002)

(3) Navigation Equipment – All Vessels y/n/na

11 Is a sound-signalling device on board? (SVR 413511)

12 Are the masthead, stern, side and/or all round white lights visible for the correct range? (SVR 413511)

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.40)

15 Is there a magnetic compass on board? (SVR 413511)

16 Is there an approved Marine Radio communication system on board? (RADIO REGS 7)

(4) Vessel Manning and Crew Qualifications – All Vessels y/n/na

17 Are copies of crew certificates of competency/training available? (Please attach) (MFR 212207)

18 Is there enough crew to handle an emergency? (MFR 212207)

19 Are crew members proficient with safety, firefighting and operational equipment? (SVR 420330 MFR 206)

(5) Notices – All Vessels y/n/na

20 Are safety notices placed in a visible location near any hazard? (SVR 704)

21 Is a vessel Compliance Notice available? (SVR 805)

(6) Stability, Safety and Firefighting Equipment – All Vessels y/n/na

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)



- **Step 4:** If your Report is **properly completed**, you will be sent a Letter of Confirmation of Participation in the Program and an **SVCP BLUE DECAL**, which should be displayed on board your vessel.



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- **Step 5**: Each year, complete the Annual Compliance Report and keep the Reports in your records.
 - The Annual Compliance Report is a one-page document that will help you maintain the compliance of your vessel

NOTE: Your Blue Decal is valid for five (5) years from the date of issue (stated on the accompanying Letter of Confirmation of Participation) - the year of expiry is indicated on the Blue Decal.

- When your Blue Decal expires, the process begins again at **Step 1**.



Benefits of this Approach

- ✓ Clearly communicates regulatory requirements
- ✓ Consolidates regulatory requirements in an easy-to-use tool
- ✓ Helps operators maintain continual compliance
- ✓ Improves the overall safety of enrolled vessels and helps to minimize the likelihood of incidents and accidents



Questions?

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