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USCG – NVIC re high-speed craft endorsements



The US Coast Guard published a Navigation and Vessel Inspection Circular (NVIC) entitled “Guidelines for Qualification for High-Speed Craft Type-Rating Endorsements”. [NVIC 20-14](#)
(http://www.uscg.mil/nmc/regulations/NVIC/NVIC_2014/nvic_20_14_FINAL_Encls_20140825.pdf) (8/25/14).

USCG – NVIC re security endorsements



The US Coast Guard published a Navigation and Vessel Inspection Circular (NVIC) entitled “Guidelines for Qualification for STCW Endorsements for Vessel Security Officers, Vessel Personnel with Designated Security Duties, and Security Awareness”. [NVIC 21-14](#)

(http://www.uscg.mil/nmc/regulations/NVIC/NVIC_2014/nvic_21_14_Security_Endorsements_Encls_FINAL_201408025.pdf) (8/25/14).

USCG – NVIC re tank vessel endorsements



The US Coast Guard published a Navigation and Vessel Inspection Circular (NVIC) entitled “Guidelines for Qualification for STCW Endorsements for Officers and Ratings on Oil, Chemical, and Liquefied Gas Tank Vessels”.

NVIC 22-14

(http://www.uscg.mil/nmc/regulations/NVIC/NVIC_2014/nvic_22_14_Tanker_Endorsements_FINAL_Encls_20140825.pdf) (8/25/14).

USCG – NVIC re Electro-Technical Officer endorsements



The US Coast Guard published a Navigation and Vessel Inspection Circular (NVIC) entitled “Guidelines for Qualification for STCW Endorsements as Electro-Technical Officer on Vessels Powered by Main Propulsion of 750 kW/1,000 HP or More”.

NVIC 23-14

(http://www.uscg.mil/nmc/regulations/NVIC/NVIC_2014/nvic_23_14_ETO_FINAL_Encls_20140825.pdf) (8/25/14).

HSRP – meeting



The Hydrographic Services Review Panel (HSRP), sponsored by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), will meet in Charleston on 16-18 September. Topics on the agenda include use and application of NOAA’s navigation and positioning data, products, and services to support the Southeast regional marine transportation system and economy and regional dredging and port expansion efforts. **79 Fed. Reg. 51961**

(<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-09-02/pdf/2014-20746.pdf>) (September 2, 2014).

BSEE – response equipment review



The Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) issued a **press release** (<http://www.bsee.gov/BSEE-Newsroom/BSEE-News-Briefs/2014/BSEE-Conducts-Oil-Spill-Response-Equipment-Review-in-California/>) stating that its Oil Spill Response Division (OSRD) conducted an onsite review of oil spill response equipment listed in DCOR, LLC’s Oil Spill Response Plan for platforms offshore Long Beach, California. OSRD conducts these verifications on a rotating basis. (8/29/14).

MARAD – NATO Operation Active Endeavor



The Maritime Administration (MARAD) issued an advisory reminding owners, operators, and masters of US flag vessels transiting and operating in waters of the Mediterranean that, under Operation Active Endeavor, NATO warships are patrolling those waters and monitoring shipping to deter terrorist activity. These warships occasionally hail and request identification and other information from passing vessels. Cooperation should be extended to the maximum extent feasible. **Advisory 2014-01** (http://www.marad.dot.gov/news_room_landing_page/maritime_advisories/advisory/advisory_2014-01.htm) (8/28/14).

OFAC – Iran sanctions



The Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) issued a **notice** (<http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/OFAC-Enforcement/Pages/20140829.aspx>) updating its list of Iran sanctions designations. A number of shipping entities and vessels have been added to the list. (8/29/14).

Court – constructive in rem jurisdiction



In an unpublished decision, the US Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit ruled that, in a salvage case, the doctrine of constructive in rem jurisdiction is not applicable in instances where separate items of cargo are isolated from one another and do not hail from any shipwreck. In the instant case, plaintiff salvor recovered and brought into court one bronze rod allegedly recovered from the river bottom in the Peace River Basin in DeSoto County, Florida. Plaintiff also claims to have pinpointed the locations of three chests of treasure buried over 150 years ago in the same general vicinity by the Gasparilla Pirates. The chests have not been recovered because they are on private property and state-owned lands. The district court granted his claim to the one bronze rod, but denied his claim to the three chests. Plaintiff appealed. The appellate court affirmed the decision below, ruling that success in recovery of the property is an essential element in a salvage claim. Constructive in rem jurisdiction over a wreck or cargo based on the recovery of only part of the wreck or cargo is only allowed when the recovered item is part of an undivided res, which is not the case here. **Martin v. One Bronze Rod**, (<http://media.ca11.uscourts.gov/opinions/unpub/files/201410688.pdf>) No. 14-10688 (11th Cir., August 29, 2014).

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