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USCG – US v. Convention BWM methods



The US Coast Guard posted a Marine Safety Information Bulletin (MSIB) explaining differences between acceptable US ballast water management methods and Ballast Water Management Convention (BWMC) methods. **MSIB 07-17** (6/30/17) [https://www.uscg.mil/msib/docs/007_17_6-30-2017.pdf].

USCG – transition to more secure websites



The US Coast Guard has initiated its transition to more secure websites. For many of its various sites, I recommend that you go to the new site for the **Deputy Commandant for Operations** (CG-DCO), which has links to a number of sites, some new and some old. (7/5/17) [<http://www.dco.uscg.mil/About-Us/>].

USCG – NBSAC and regulatory reform



The US Coast Guard issued a notice stating that it is issuing a new task to the National Boating Safety Advisory Council (NBSAC). It is asking the NBSAC to help the agency identify existing regulations, guidance, and collections of information for possible repeal, replacement, or modification. **82 Fed. Reg. 31340** (7/6/17) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-07-06/pdf/2017-14255.pdf>].

USN – autonomous surface vehicle competition



The US Navy issued a **news release** stating that 10th annual International RoboBoat Competition was held recently in Daytona Beach. The competition is sponsored by the Office of Naval Research and the association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International Foundation. The student-built autonomous surface vehicles (ASVs) were put through a series of advanced water-based challenges. The builders of the ASV judged best for design and performance were awarded a prize of \$5,000. (7/5/17) [http://www.navy.mil/submit/display.asp?story_id=101302].

Washington – vessel inspector sought



The Washington Department of Ecology posted a **job announcement** stating that it seeks qualified applicants for the position of Vessel Inspector (Marine Transportation Safety Specialist 3). Applications must be received by 23 July. (7/5/17) [<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/washington/jobs/1782931/vessel-inspector-marine-transportation-safety-specialist-3>].

IMO – cyber risk management resolution



The US Coast Guard posted a copy (labeled 'Draft') of the recently approved **Resolution MSC.428(98)** – Maritime Cyber Risk Management in Safety Management Systems. (7/5/17) [[http://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/DCO%20Documents/5p/5ps/Design%20and%20Engineering%20Standards/docs/msc.428\(98\)_Maritime_Cyber_Risk.pdf](http://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/DCO%20Documents/5p/5ps/Design%20and%20Engineering%20Standards/docs/msc.428(98)_Maritime_Cyber_Risk.pdf)]

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