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SUBJ: NEW UNINSPECTED TOWING VESSEL EXAMINER PERFORMANCE AND
QUALIFICATION STANDARD WORKBOOK
A. ALCOAST 336/13
B. U.S. Coast Guard Sector Organization Manual, COMDTINST M5401.6
(Series) C. Marine Safety Manual, COMDTINST M16000.6 (Series)
D. Mandatory Use of the Training Management Tool, COMDTINST 5270.2

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1. Reference (a) introduced a new single performance standard that is being used to develop and validate all Marine Inspection Performance and Qualification Standards (PQS). In accordance with reference (a), this message promulgates a new Uninspected Towing Vessel Examiner (UTVE) PQS.

A. The new UTVE PQS is now required as per references (b) and (c) for anyone, including the CG Auxiliary, beginning to pursue the UTVE certification, and is still vital despite the 46 CFR Subchapter M rulemaking in progress. The PQS, Orientation and Indoctrination workbook, job aid, and UTV Training Aid Pocket Guide specific to uninspected towing vessels are available electronically on the Learning Management System (LMS).

B. The UTV exam forms currently being used shall continue to be used and scanned into MISLE once the exam is complete. The exam forms and their instructions are also available electronically on the LMS in the same location as the PQS.

C. Members currently working to qualify with the old PQS must complete their certification no later than 6 months from the release of this message. Members who cannot qualify with the old PQS by this time must complete the new UTVE PQS.

D. Members previously certified as UTVEs are not required to complete the new PQS workbook. However, it is strongly recommended that all previously certified UTVEs review the content of the new PQS workbook as they will be responsible for understanding and applying the content during the recertification process and during examinations.

E. All Verifying Officers (VO) must be familiar with the new PQS content, particularly the task, condition, steps, and VO Guidance. Not all steps supporting a task need to be completed at the same time. However, all steps must eventually be completed prior to signing off the task. Additionally, the VO must take into account the VO guidance when determining successful completion of a step and task.

2. Upon completion of the new UTVE PQS workbook, unit training officers shall enter the proper data into the Training Management Tool (TMT) in accordance with reference (d).

3. All current PQS, including the new UTVE PQS and Towing Industry-Specific Indoctrination is available on the LMS within CG Portal at <https://cgportal2.uscg.mil/Pages/main.aspx>, Select the Applications tab, then LMS. Use course code 502234 to search the LMS catalog for the new UTVE PQS.

4. Questions or comments regarding the UTVE PQS should be submitted via the standard feedback form at the end of the PQS workbook.

5. CAPT K. P. McAvoy, Chief, Office of Commercial Vessel Compliance, sends.

6. Internet release authorized.

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