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SUBJ: SECTOR TRAINING AND PERFORMANCE SUPPORT SITREP THREE -  
PROMULGATION OF FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINER/MARINE INSPECTOR PQS  
WORKBOOKS AND JOB AIDS

A. COMDT COGARD WASHINGTON DC 111944Z APR 07/ALCOAST 205/07

B. COMDT COGARD WASHINGTON DC 081630Z AUG 07/ALCOAST 387/07

C. MANDATORY USE OF THE TRAINING MANAGEMENT TOOL, COMDTINST 5270.2  
(SERIES)

1. REFERENCES A AND B PROVIDED UPDATES REGARDING A COMPREHENSIVE  
SECTOR PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS PROJECT. THIS ALCOAST ANNOUNCES AN  
UPDATE REGARDING ADDITIONAL PREVENTION-RELATED PERFORMANCE  
QUALIFICATION STANDARDS (PQS) WORKBOOKS (I.E. COMPETENCIES) AND  
CORRESPONDING JOB AIDS (CG-840 BOOKS) FOR MARINE INSPECTORS AND  
FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINERS. THE PQS WORKBOOKS AND JOB AIDS ARE  
AVAILABLE AT [HTTP://CGWEB.COMDT.USCG.MIL/G-MR/MR-P/SITREP3.SHTML](http://cgweb.comdt.uscg.mil/g-mr/mr-p/sitrep3.shtml)  
(COPY AND PASTE LINK) UNTIL THE COAST GUARD E-LEARNING PORTAL  
(LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM) IS AVAILABLE AGAIN.

2. AS PART OF A SYSTEMATIC APPROACH TO EQUIP SECTOR PERSONNEL FOR  
ENHANCED MISSION EXECUTION, ALL FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINER AND MARINE  
INSPECTOR PQS WORKBOOKS HAVE BEEN SIGNIFICANTLY REVISED. IN  
ADDITION, TWO ENTIRELY NEW FOREIGN VESSEL COMPETENCIES WITH  
CORRESPONDING PQS WORKBOOKS HAVE BEEN CREATED: PORT STATE CONTROL  
EXAMINER (PSCE) AND FOREIGN GAS CARRIER EXAMINER (FGCE). THE MOST  
PROMINENT CHANGE FROM THE PREVIOUS COMMERCIAL VESSEL INSPECTOR  
QUALIFICATION SYSTEM IS THAT THE TRAINING AND QUALIFICATION  
REQUIREMENTS FOR FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINERS HAVE BEEN SEPARATED FROM  
THOSE ASSOCIATED WITH DOMESTIC MARINE INSPECTIONS IN ORDER TO  
ADDRESS THE VAST DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE U.S. DOMESTIC VESSEL  
INSPECTIONS AND FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINATIONS PROCESSES. IN ADDITION,  
UNLIKE THE PREVIOUS SYSTEM, THE NEW PQS WORKBOOKS FOR MARINE  
INSPECTORS ARE STAND ALONE QUALIFICATIONS AND A MARINE INSPECTOR  
CAN COMPLETE ANY PQS WORKBOOK IN ANY ORDER, AS THERE ARE NO  
PREREQUISITE QUALIFICATIONS.

3. FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINATION QUALIFICATIONS. THERE ARE 6  
QUALIFICATION DESIGNATIONS (COMPETENCIES) ASSOCIATED WITH PORT  
STATE CONTROL. THESE DESIGNATIONS ARE NOT RESTRICTED TO ANY  
PARTICULAR RANK OR RATE. CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES ARE ALSO ELIGIBLE. THE  
DESIGNATIONS ARE DIVIDED INTO TWO CATEGORIES: NON SPECIFIC  
CARGO/VESSEL RELATED AND SPECIFIC CARGO/VESSEL RELATED.

A. NON SPECIFIC CARGO/VESSEL RELATED FOREIGN VESSEL QUALIFICATION:  
(1) PORT STATE CONTROL EXAMINER (PSCE) (NO CORRESPONDING JOB AID)  
(NEW COMPETENCY)

B. SPECIFIC CARGO/VESSEL RELATED FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINER  
QUALIFICATIONS:

(1) FOREIGN FREIGHT VESSEL EXAMINER (FFVE) AND JOB AID (REPLACES  
THE FV QUAL)

(2) FOREIGN TANK VESSEL EXAMINER (FTVE) AND JOB AID (REPLACES THE  
TV QUAL)

(3) FOREIGN GAS CARRIER EXAMINER (FGCE) AND JOB AID (NEW  
COMPETENCY)

(4) FOREIGN CHEMICAL TANKER EXAMINER (FCTE) AND JOB AID (REPLACES

THE ML QUAL)

(5) FOREIGN PASSENGER VESSEL EXAMINER (FPVE) (JOB AID UNDER DEVELOPMENT) (REPLACES THE CV QUAL)

4. DOMESTIC VESSEL INSPECTION QUALIFICATIONS. THERE ARE 11 QUALIFICATION DESIGNATIONS (COMPETENCIES) ASSOCIATED WITH THE DOMESTIC VESSEL INSPECTIONS. THESE DESIGNATIONS ARE NOT RESTRICTED TO ANY PARTICULAR RANK OR RATE. CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES ARE ALSO ELIGIBLE. THE DOMESTIC INSPECTION QUALIFICATIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- A. BARGE INSPECTOR (BI) AND JOB AID
- B. DRYDOCK INSPECTOR (DI)
- C. HULL INSPECTOR (HI)
- D. HULL INSPECTOR (TANKSHIP) (HT)
- E. K-BOAT INSPECTOR (KI)
- F. LIFE RAFT INSPECTOR (LR)
- G. MACHINERY INSPECTOR (MI)
- H. MACHINERY INSPECTOR (STEAM) (MS)
- I. MOBILE OFFSHORE DRILLING UNIT INSPECTOR (MU)
- J. OFFSHORE SUPPLY VESSEL INSPECTOR (OI)
- K. T-BOAT INSPECTOR (TI) AND JOB AID

5. MEMBERS PREVIOUSLY QUALIFIED AS FOREIGN FREIGHT VESSEL INSPECTOR (FV), FOREIGN TANK VESSEL INSPECTOR (TV), FOREIGN CHEMICAL TANK VESSEL INSPECTOR (ML), CONTROL VERIFICATION INSPECTOR (CV), BARGE INSPECTOR (BI), DRYDOCK INSPECTOR (DI), HULL INSPECTOR (HI), HULL INSPECTOR (TANKSHIP) (HT), K-BOAT INSPECTOR (KI), LIFERAFT INSPECTOR (LR), MACHINERY INSPECTOR (MI), MACHINERY INSPECTOR (STEAM) (MS), MOBILE OFFSHORE DRILLING UNIT INSPECTOR (MU), OFFSHORE SUPPLY VESSEL INSPECTOR (OI), T-BOAT INSPECTOR (TI), MARITIME SECURITY INSPECTOR FOREIGN VESSEL (SFV), AND ASSISTANT MARITIME SECURITY INSPECTOR FOREIGN VESSEL (SFVA) ARE NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE NEW PQS WORKBOOKS. HOWEVER, IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT ALL FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINERS AND MARINE INSPECTORS REVIEW THE CONTENT OF THE NEW PQS WORKBOOKS AS THEY WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR UNDERSTANDING THE CONTENT DURING THE RECERTIFICATION PROCESS AS DISCUSSED IN PARAGRAPHS 14 AND 15. ONLY MEMBERS WHO BEGAN PURSUING DESIGNATION IN THE FORMER MARINE INSPECTOR/FOREIGN VESSEL QUALIFICATION STANDARDS PRIOR TO 01AUG07 ARE AUTHORIZED TO PURSUE THOSE QUALIFICATIONS AND MUST COMPLETE THOSE CERTIFICATIONS NO LATER THAN 31MAR08. MEMBERS WHO CANNOT QUALIFY BY 31MAR08 MUST COMPLETE THE REVISED OR NEW PQS WORKBOOKS.

6. FURTHER CLARIFICATION REGARDING FOREIGN VESSEL QUALIFICATIONS:

A. DEFINITIONS:

(1) USCG PORT STATE CONTROL OFFICER (PSCO) - A PERSON DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE USCG TO VISIT SHIPS IN ORDER TO: EXAMINE THE VALIDITY OF RELEVANT CERTIFICATES AND DOCUMENTS, ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE U.S. REGULATIONS, AND ASSESS THE OVERALL CONDITION OF THE SHIP, EQUIPMENT AND CREW. THOSE MEMBERS WHO EARN THE PSCE QUAL PLUS ANY ONE OF THE OTHER FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINER QUALS (I.E. FFVE, FTVE, FCTE, FGCE, AND/OR FPVE) SHALL BE DESIGNATED AS A USCG PSCO.

(2) FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINER - ALL FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINERS ARE CONSIDERED USCG PORT STATE CONTROL OFFICERS. THE DIFFERENT DESIGNATIONS SIMPLY DEFINE THE TYPE OF PORT STATE CONTROL OFFICER. FOR EXAMPLE, A FOREIGN CHEMICAL TANKER EXAMINER IS A PORT STATE CONTROL OFFICER WHO IS QUALIFIED TO LEAD AN EXAMINATION ON A FOREIGN CHEMICAL TANKER.

(3) PORT STATE CONTROL EXAMINER (PSCE) - IAW IMO RESOLUTION A.787 (19), ALL PERSONNEL EARNING THE PSCE QUAL ARE AUTHORIZED TO CONDUCT

EXAMINATIONS ON FOREIGN VESSELS. HOWEVER, SUCH MEMBERS WILL NOT LEAD AN EXAM OR BE CONSIDERED A USCG PSCO UNTIL THEY ALSO EARN A QUALIFICATION IN ANY ONE OF THE OTHER VESSEL SPECIFIC FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINER QUALS (I.E. FREIGHT, TANK, GAS, ETC.).

B. PSCE QUALIFICATION:

(1) THE NEW PSCE DESIGNATION IS THE FOUNDATION ON WHICH ALL OTHER FOREIGN VESSEL QUALIFICATIONS ARE BASED. ALL TRAINEES, REGARDLESS OF FOREIGN VESSEL QUAL SOUGHT, ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE TASKS CONTAINED IN THE PSCE PQS WORKBOOK. MEMBERS PREVIOUSLY QUALIFIED AS BOARDING OFFICER (EI) ARE NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE PSCE WORKBOOK IN ORDER TO EARN FOLLOW-ON FOREIGN VESSEL QUALIFICATIONS. THE MOST SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE PSCE AND THE OTHER FIVE FOREIGN VESSEL DESIGNATIONS IS THE ABSENCE OF VESSEL OR CARGO SPECIFIC PQS TASKS.

(2) THE FUNCTION OF THE PSCE IS TO ACCOMPANY SPECIFIC CARGO/VESSEL RELATED DESIGNATED FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINERS AND ASSIST THEM BY PERFORMING PORTIONS OF AN EXAMINATION NOT SPECIFICALLY RELATED TO VESSEL OR CARGO TYPE. THE PSCE QUALIFICATION PROVIDES THOSE COMMANDS WHICH ARE EXPERIENCING A SHORTAGE OF QUALIFIED PERSONNEL THE FLEXIBILITY TO QUALIFY PERSONNEL TO THE PSCE LEVEL SO THEY CAN, IN TURN, BE USED AS THE REQUIRED SECOND MEMBER ON PSC EXAMS.

(3) PSCE PQS TASKS ARE VESSEL NEUTRAL. THEREFORE, COMMANDS MAY USE THE PSCE TO COMPLETE THE ENTIRE DOCUMENTATION REVIEW PORTION OF A PSC EXAM. IN SUCH CASES, THE PSCE MUST COMPLETE THOSE DOCUMENTATION RELATED TASKS IN THE PQS WORKBOOKS AFFILIATED WITH THE SPECIFIC VESSEL TYPE THE PSCE WILL EXAMINE.

(4) THE TASKS CONTAINED IN THE SFV AND SFVA PQS WORKBOOKS HAVE BEEN INCORPORATED INTO THE PSCE PQS WORKBOOK.

C. FFVE, FTVE, FGCE, FCTE, AND FPVE QUALIFICATIONS:

(1) MEMBERS CAN BEGIN AND COMPLETE ANY FOREIGN VESSEL PQS WORKBOOK IN ANY ORDER. IN THIS NEW FOREIGN VESSEL QUALIFICATION SYSTEM, A TRAINEE IS NOT REQUIRED TO FULLY COMPLETE THE PSCE QUALIFICATION PRIOR TO COMMENCING OTHER PQS WORKBOOKS. IN OTHER WORDS, THE PSCE QUALIFICATION OR ANY COMBINATION OF PSC QUALIFICATIONS CAN BE PURSUED CONCURRENTLY. AS MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH 6.B., PSCE PQS WORKBOOK COMPLETION IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO EARNING ANY OF THE FIVE SPECIFIC CARGO/VESSEL RELATED FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINER QUALIFICATIONS.

(2) MEMBERS PURSUING THE FCTE QUALIFICATION BUT WHO HAVE NOT YET ACHIEVED FTVE DESIGNATION ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE FTVE PQS TASKS IN ADDITION TO THE PSCE TASKS. THESE QUALIFICATIONS CAN ALSO BE PURSUED CONCURRENTLY.

(3) BECAUSE THE PREVIOUS PQS SYSTEM DID NOT CONTAIN A FOREIGN GAS CARRIER QUALIFICATION STANDARD, ALL FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINERS CONDUCTING EXAMINATIONS ON FOREIGN GAS CARRIERS SHALL COMPLETE THE NEW FOREIGN GAS CARRIER EXAMINER (FGCE) PQS WORKBOOK. THOSE FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINERS CURRENTLY AUTHORIZED BY THEIR COMMAND TO CONDUCT EXAMINATIONS ON FOREIGN GAS CARRIERS ARE AUTHORIZED TO EXAMINE THESE VESSELS UNTIL 31MAR2008. BEGINNING 01APR2008, THOSE PSCOS WHO HAVE NOT COMPLETED THE FGCE PQS AND SUCCESSFULLY PASSED THE ORAL QUALIFICATION BOARD SHALL NOT CONDUCT EXAMINATIONS ON FOREIGN GAS CARRIERS.

7. FURTHER GUIDANCE REGARDING DOMESTIC VESSEL QUALIFICATIONS:

A. THE MOST SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE DOMESTIC MARINE INSPECTOR QUALIFICATIONS ARE THE BI, KI, AND TI. SPECIFICALLY, IN THE PAST WE ALLOWED MEMBERS TO CARRY SIGN-OFFS OF SEVERAL TASKS FROM ONE

QUALIFICATION BOOK TO ANOTHER (I.E. HI, MI, ETC.). NOW EACH TASK IS SPECIFIC TO THE INDIVIDUAL PQS WORKBOOKS. THIS CHANGE WAS NECESSARY IN LIGHT OF THE RECOGNIZED SYSTEM COMPLEXITIES. THE REMAINING DOMESTIC QUALS NOW CONTAIN ADDITIONAL TASKS OR EXPANDED TASK ELEMENTS. VERIFYING OFFICERS AND MARINE INSPECTOR TRAINEES SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT THE TASKS AND TASK ELEMENTS FOR EACH QUAL ARE NOT ALL INCLUSIVE.

B. THE MARINE INSPECTOR COURSE WILL SERVE AS THE TRAINING FOUNDATION. TWO CORRESPONDENCE COURSES (I.E. HULL INSPECTOR AND MACHINERY INSPECTOR) ARE UNDER DEVELOPMENT.

C. AS DISCUSSED IN PARAGRAPH 2, THERE IS NO SET ORDER FOR COMPLETION OF MARINE INSPECTOR QUALIFICATIONS. AN ENTRY LEVEL MARINE INSPECTOR MAY PURSUE A MAJOR QUAL (I.E. HI, MI, ETC.) CONCURRENTLY WITH OTHER QUALIFICATIONS.

8. DEFERRED PQS TASK ITEMS: ON A LIMITED BASIS, PQS TASK ITEMS MAY BE DEFERRED BY THE UNIT COMMANDER. THIS MAY BE NECESSARY IN ORDER TO QUALIFY MEMBERS DUE TO LOCAL FLEET-TYPE CHALLENGES SUCH AS TYPE/CONSTRUCTION OF VESSELS/VESSEL VOYAGE TYPE (I.E. INTERNATIONAL OR DOMESTIC)/CARGO NORMALLY EXAMINED/INSPECTED AT THEIR PORT. IF A TASK IS DEFERRED, THE REASON FOR DEFERMENT MUST BE CLEARLY ARTICULATED IN THE SPACE PROVIDED IN THE PQS WORKBOOK AND DESIGNATION LETTER. TASK ITEMS SHALL ONLY BE DEFERRED IF THE PARTICULAR TASK ITEM PERTAINS TO A CERTAIN TYPE OF VESSEL, VESSEL SYSTEM OR CARGO TYPE NOT NORMALLY EXAMINED/ENCOUNTERED AT THE TRAINEES PORT.

A. IF A PQS TASK ITEM IS DEFERRED, THE FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINER/MARINE INSPECTOR WILL NOT BE AUTHORIZED TO EXAMINE/INSPECT OR PERFORM THE FUNCTION AFFILIATED WITH THE DEFERRED TASK ITEM.

B. THE MEMBER WILL RECEIVE THE FULL FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINER/MARINE INSPECTOR QUALIFICATION EVEN IF THE UNIT COMMANDER AUTHORIZED SOME TASKS DEFERRED.

C. PSC DIVISION CHIEFS/CIDS SHALL EXAMINE TASKS OF NEWLY REPORTED PSCOS/MARINE INSPECTORS TO IDENTIFY ANY PREVIOUSLY DEFERRED TASK ITEMS NECESSARY FOR THEIR PORT.

D. NO PQS TASKS CONTAINED IN THE PSCE PQS WORKBOOK OR ANY PQS TASKS CONTAINED IN ANY OTHER FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINER/MARINE INSPECTOR PQS WORKBOOKS PERTAINING TO CONFINED SPACE ENTRY SHALL BE DEFERRED.

9. SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE ASSOCIATED ENTRY LEVEL COURSE (MIC COURSE OR PSCO COURSE) IS REQUIRED FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE REVISED OR NEW PQS WORKBOOKS. MEMBERS WHO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE LEGACY MARINE INSPECTOR COURSE PRIOR TO MARCH OF 2006 ARE NOT REQUIRED TO ATTEND THE PSCO COURSE. THE EXISTING MIC COURSE CANNOT BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE EXISTING PSCO COURSE. A MEMBER WHO IS UNABLE TO ATTEND THE MIC OR PSCO COURSE MUST SUBMIT A WAIVER REQUEST TO COMDT CG-741 THROUGH THE CHAIN OF COMMAND, EXPLAINING WHY HE/SHE IS UNABLE TO ATTEND THE TRAINING, THE NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS/RELATED ACTIVITIES THE MEMBER HAS CONDUCTED, AND HOW FAR THE MEMBER HAS PROGRESSED THROUGH THE PQS WORKBOOKS. COMDT CG-741 WILL WORK WITH THE RESPECTIVE PROGRAM AND THE MEMBERS COMMAND TO DETERMINE WHETHER A WAIVER IS TO BE GRANTED.

10. PQS VERIFYING OFFICERS: PQS TASKS SHALL ONLY BE SIGNED OFF BY COMMAND DESIGNATED PQS VERIFYING OFFICERS. VERIFYING OFFICERS SHALL BE EXPERIENCED, QUALIFIED FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINERS/MARINE INSPECTORS, AS APPLICABLE, WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED THE ABILITY TO EVALUATE AND INSTRUCT PERSONNEL IN THE PERFORMANCE CRITERIA ESTABLISHED IN THE PQS WORKBOOKS. ALL VERIFYING OFFICERS SHALL BE

DESIGNATED IN WRITING BY THE COMMAND. BECAUSE THE NEW/REVISED PQS WORKBOOKS ARE PERFORMANCE BASED, VERIFYING OFFICERS SHALL ENSURE TRAINEES DEMONSTRATE EACH TASK PROFICIENTLY PRIOR TO SIGNING OFF.

11. VERIFICATION EXAMINATION/INSPECTION: ONCE A PSCE, FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINER AND/OR MARINE INSPECTOR TRAINEE COMPLETES ALL PQS REQUIREMENTS, ALL PREREQUISITE TRAINING, AND ANY REQUIRED FOLLOW-ON TASKING, HE/SHE MUST SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCT A VERIFICATION EXAMINATION/INSPECTION (I.E. FIELD PRACTICAL) IN THE PRESENCE OF A PQS VERIFYING OFFICER. THE TRAINEE SHALL LEAD THE EXAMINATION/INSPECTION. THE PQS VERIFYING OFFICER SHALL SHADOW THE TRAINEE THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE EXAMINATION/INSPECTION TO ASSESS WHETHER THE TRAINEE HAS THE NECESSARY COMPETENCY (INCLUDING JUDGMENT, MATURITY, KNOWLEDGE, ETC.) TO SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCT AFFILIATED PSC EXAMS OR DOMESTIC VESSEL INSPECTIONS. THE PQS VERIFYING OFFICER SHALL ONLY INTERVENE DURING THE EXAMINATION/INSPECTION IF ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY.

12. QUALIFICATION BOARDS: PSCE, FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINER, AND/OR MARINE INSPECTOR TRAINEES MUST SUCCESSFULLY PASS AN ORAL QUALIFICATION BOARD PRIOR TO DESIGNATION IN ANY OF THE NEW/REVISED QUALIFICATIONS. UNIT PORT STATE CONTROL QUALIFICATION BOARDS (PSCQB) AND MARINE INSPECTOR QUALIFICATION BOARDS (MIQB) SHALL CONSIST OF A MINIMUM OF TWO, PREFERABLY THREE PEOPLE, AND INCLUDE THE PSC BRANCH CHIEF AND/OR INSPECTIONS DIVISION CHIEF AND THE UNITS PSCO/MARINE INSPECTOR VERIFYING OFFICERS WHO HOLD THE APPLICABLE QUALIFICATIONS. THE PSCQB/MIQB MUST BE DESIGNATED IN WRITING BY THE UNIT COMMANDER.

A. QUALIFICATION BOARDS SHALL CONDUCT AN ADMINISTRATIVE PRE-BOARD MEETING WITHOUT THE PRESENCE OF THE TRAINEE, IN ORDER TO: REVIEW THE PROSPECTIVE PSCE, FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINER OR MARINE INSPECTOR PQS TO ENSURE ALL REQUIRED TASKS ARE COMPLETED, PREPARE AND/OR DISCUSS QUALIFICATION BOARD QUESTIONS, AND EVALUATE BOARD ASSIGNMENTS (I.E. IDENTIFY LEAD BOARD MEMBER, ETC.).

B. DURING THE ORAL QUALIFICATION, THE BOARD SHALL EVALUATE THE CANDIDATES KNOWLEDGE, JUDGMENT, MATURITY, COMMUNICATION SKILLS, AND ABILITY TO PERFORM ALL TASKS RELATED TO THE QUALIFICATION SOUGHT. BOARDS SHALL EMPLOY QUESTION AND ANSWER METHODOLOGY AND SCENARIO DISCUSSION. QUESTIONS AND SCENARIOS SHOULD FOCUS ON PQS ELEMENTS, MASTERY OF KEY CONCEPTS, AND PRINCIPLES.

C. THE BOARD MAY RECOMMEND THE CANDIDATE RECEIVE CERTIFICATION AS A QUALIFIED PSCO, MARINE INSPECTOR, ETC., AS APPLICABLE, OR DIRECT THE TRAINEE TO RE-VISIT AND FOCUS ON ANY PORTION OF THE PQS IN WHICH THE TRAINEE IS DEFICIENT.

D. FINAL QUALIFICATION/CERTIFICATION: UPON RECEIVING THE WRITTEN RECOMMENDATION OF THE PSCQB OR MIQB, THE UNIT COMMANDER MUST CERTIFY IN WRITING THAT THE MEMBER IS FULLY QUALIFIED TO PERFORM ALL DUTIES AFFILIATED WITH THE PARTICULAR DESIGNATION. THIS CERTIFICATION SHALL BE DOCUMENTED ON A UNIT-GENERATED LETTER OF DESIGNATION AND MAINTAINED IN THE MEMBERS TRAINING RECORD.

E. TMT GUIDANCE: UPON MEETING THE PQS WORKBOOK REQUIREMENTS, COMMANDS SHALL ENSURE PROPER DATA ENTRY IN THE TRAINING MANAGEMENT TOOL (TMT) IAW REFERENCE C. UNIT TRAINING COORDINATORS ARE THE RECOMMENDED LEVEL OF ASSIGNMENT AUTHORITY DELEGATION FOR PQS CERTIFICATION IN TMT. THE TMT APPLICATION, USER GUIDE, TUTORIALS, AND OTHER GUIDANCE ARE AVAILABLE ON THE AOPS/TMT INTRANET SITE AT [HTTP://AOPSWEB.OSC.USCG.MIL/AOPS.SHTML](http://AOPSWEB.OSC.USCG.MIL/AOPS.SHTML).

13. UNIT GENERATED PQS TASKS/RECOMMENDED CHANGES:

A. THE REVISED/NEW PQS ARE THE COAST GUARDS ENTERPRISE-WIDE (I.E.

NATIONAL) STANDARD QUALIFICATIONS AND REPRESENT THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS WHICH MUST BE DEMONSTRATED IN ORDER TO EARN QUALIFICATION. AOR SPECIFIC, ORGANIZATIONAL ISSUES AND/OR MISSION REQUIREMENTS MAY REQUIRE THE DEVELOPMENT OF ADDITIONAL PQS TASKS AT THE LOCAL COMMAND LEVEL. UNIT COMMANDERS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO IDENTIFY SUCH REQUIREMENTS AND DEVELOP PERFORMANCE BASED PQS TASKS AS NEEDED TO ENSURE MISSION SUCCESS.

B. ADDITIONAL, LOCALLY-GENERATED PQS TASK REQUIREMENTS DO NOT REQUIRE COMDT APPROVAL. HOWEVER, TO BOLSTER THE CONTINUAL IMPROVEMENT OF THE PSCO/MARINE INSPECTOR TRAINING AND QUALIFICATION PROCESS, UNITS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT ANY LOCALLY DEVELOPED PSCO AND MARINE INSPECTOR PQS TASK REQUIREMENTS TO THE APPLICABLE POCS NOTED IN PARAGRAPH 22. SUCH SHARING OF IDEAS WILL ENHANCE PROGRAM REVIEW, TRAINING IMPROVEMENTS, CONSISTENCY, AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT. THOSE LOCALLY DEVELOPED PQS TASKS WHICH HAVE BROAD APPLICABILITY WILL BE EVALUATED FOR POSSIBLE INCORPORATION INTO CG-WIDE APPLICATIONS (I.E. FUTURE FOREIGN VESSEL/MARINE INSPECTOR PQS WORKBOOKS, TRAINING COURSES, ETC.).

14. SIX MONTH RECERTIFICATION EXAMINATION/INSPECTION REQUIREMENT:

A. QUALIFIED PSCOS/MARINE INSPECTORS MUST CONDUCT AT LEAST ONE FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMINATION/DOMESTIC VESSEL INSPECTION AS APPLICABLE EVERY SIX MONTHS FOR THE VESSEL SPECIFIC QUALIFICATION HELD IN ORDER TO REMAIN CERTIFIED TO CONDUCT THESE EXAMINATIONS/INSPECTIONS.

B. THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO SOLELY HOLD THE PSCE QUALIFICATION CAN FULFILL THIS REQUIREMENT BY CONDUCTING EXAMS ON ANY FOREIGN VESSEL TYPE OF 500GT OR ABOVE ON WHICH THE COAST GUARD WOULD CONDUCT PSC EXAMS.

C. THOSE PSCE, PSCOS, AND/OR MARINE INSPECTORS WHO HAVE ALLOWED MORE THAN SIX MONTHS TO ELAPSE SINCE CONDUCTING A PSC EXAM OR MARINE INSPECTION WILL NOT BE AUTHORIZED TO CONDUCT FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMS OR DOMESTIC VESSEL INSPECTIONS FOR THE SPECIFIC VESSEL TYPE UNTIL A RECERTIFICATION EXAMINATION/INSPECTION IS COMPLETED UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A PQS VERIFYING OFFICER.

D. PSC DIVISION CHIEFS/CIDS SHALL ENSURE TMT IS UPDATED TO REFLECT THE PSCO/MI READY STATUS ONCE THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS ARE MET.

15. PERSONNEL WHO WERE QUALIFIED AT A PREVIOUS UNIT OR WHO WERE OTHERWISE QUALIFIED BUT LACK 6-MONTH RECENCY MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING STEPS IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE CURRENT CERTIFICATION PRIOR TO CONDUCTING FOREIGN VESSEL EXAMS/DOMESTIC VESSEL INSPECTIONS:

A. COMPLETE ANY ADDITIONAL, LOCALLY-GENERATED PQS TASKS AS APPLICABLE (SEE PARAGRAPH 13).

B. COMPLETE ANY PREVIOUSLY DEFERRED TASKS APPLICABLE TO NEW UNIT.

C. UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A PQS VERIFYING OFFICER, COMPLETE AT LEAST ONE VERIFICATION EXAM/INSPECTION FOR EACH OF THE PSCO/MARINE INSPECTOR QUALIFICATIONS THE MEMBER WILL BE REQUIRED TO USE.

D. COMMANDS MAY REQUIRE ANY PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED PQS TASK DEMONSTRATED AGAIN IF A PSCO OR MARINE INSPECTOR APPEARS DEFICIENT IN THAT TASK ITEM.

E. BE RECOMMENDED FOR CERTIFICATION BY THE UNITS PSCQB OR MIQB AS APPROPRIATE. THE BOARD WILL BASE THEIR DECISION FOR CERTIFICATION ON THE INDIVIDUALS QUALIFICATION RECORD IN TMT AND THE RESULTS OF THE VERIFICATION EXAMINATION/INSPECTION. NOTE: AN ORAL QUALIFICATION BOARD IS NOT REQUIRED FOR RECERTIFICATION, UNLESS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE PSCQB OR MIQB.

F. RECEIVE FINAL CERTIFICATION FROM THE UNIT COMMANDER.

CERTIFICATION OF A MEMBERS COMPETENCY SHALL BE ASSIGNED IN TMT.

16. MARINE SAFETY INSIGNIA GUIDANCE: THE LIFE RAFT INSPECTOR COMPETENCY WILL NOT COUNT TOWARDS THE MARINE SAFETY INSIGNIA. THE OTHER NEW OR REVISED COMPETENCIES LISTED IN PARAGRAPH 3 AND 4 WILL COUNT TOWARDS THE MARINE SAFETY INSIGNIA. FOR MEMBERS WITH THE EXISTING COMPETENCIES, THE ATTAINMENT TOWARDS THE REVISED COMPETENCIES WILL NOT COUNT AS AN ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATION TOWARDS THE MARINE SAFETY INSIGNIA (I.E. NO DOUBLE COUNTING ALLOWED).

17. THE SECTOR PERFORMANCE SUPPORT (SPS) MAP ILLUSTRATES THE LINKAGE AMONG JOB ACTIVITY, LEGACY COMPETENCIES, NEW/REVISED COMPETENCIES, CORE AND STRAND C SCHOOLS, AND JOB AIDES. THE UPDATED SPS IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE SECTORS HOMEPAGE LINK AT [HTTP://CGWEB.COMDT.USCG.MIL/CG-5/CG-51/CG-513//CG-513.HTM](http://CGWEB.COMDT.USCG.MIL/CG-5/CG-51/CG-513//CG-513.HTM).

18. EFFECTIVE 31MAR08, THE PRESENT BOARDING OFFICER (EI) PQS WILL BE PLACED IN "INACTIVE STATUS". PARTS OF THIS QUALIFICATION HAVE BEEN INCORPORATED IN THE REVISED FOREIGN VESSEL PQS WORKBOOKS.

19. QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROCESS. MEMBERS SHOULD VIEW THE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTION WEBSITE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT [HTTP://CGWEB.COMDT.USCG.MIL/G-MR/MR-P/SITREP3.SHTML](http://CGWEB.COMDT.USCG.MIL/G-MR/MR-P/SITREP3.SHTML) (COPY AND PASTE THE LINK) TO SUBMIT ANY RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO THE NEW PQS WORKBOOKS AND JOB AIDES TO THE APPLICABLE POCS LISTED IN PARAGRAPH 22.

20. PROGRAMS WILL REVIEW THE COMMENTS AND POST ANY UPDATES AS NEEDED.

21. GUIDANCE REGARDING AUXILIARY QUALIFICATIONS WILL BE PROVIDED UNDER FUTURE SEPCOR.

22. THE PQS WORKBOOKS AND JOB AIDES IDENTIFIED IN PARAGRAPHS 3 AND 4 OF THIS MESSAGE ARE HEREBY PROMULGATED. THE USE OF PREVIOUS PQS WORKBOOKS SHALL ONLY BE EMPLOYED IN STRICT ACCORDANCE WITH THE GUIDANCE DISCUSSED IN PARAGRAPH 5.

23. QUESTIONS RELATED TO THESE QUALIFICATIONS/JOB AIDES AND ANY RECOMMENDED CHANGES SHOULD BE DIRECTED AS FOLLOWS:

A. ALL FOREIGN VESSEL PQS AND JOB AIDES (PSCE, FFVE, FTVE, FGCE, FCTV, AND FPVE): CONTACT LCDR SCOTT KLINKE AT (202) 372-1236 OR BY E-MAIL (ON GLOBAL). EMAIL IS THE PREFERRED CONTACT METHOD.

B. ALL MARINE INSPECTOR PQS AND JOB AIDES (BI, DI, HI, HT, KI, LR, MI, MS, MU, OI, AND TI): CONTACT LCDR MICHAEL LEONGUERRERO AT (202) 372-1216 OR BY E-MAIL (ON GLOBAL).

24. ALL OTHER QUESTIONS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO CDR DAVID BAUGH AT (202) 372-1340 OR LT LOAN OBRIEN AT (202) 372-1339. EMAIL IS THE PREFERRED CONTACT METHOD.

25. INTERNET RELEASE AUTHORIZED.

26. RADM DAVID P. PEKOSKE, ASSISTANT COMMANDANT FOR OPERATIONS, SENDS.

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