

Permanently Moored Craft

PART 149 FACT SHEET

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Alongside the proposed update to the National Fire Protection Association's NFPA 101, Life Safety Code, the Office of the State Fire Marshal is also addressing the topic of permanently moored crafts (formerly known as permanently moored vessels).

The text related to these units is moving into its own part and the language is being revised and updated to be more in line with the current federal approach to permanently moored craft.

The references to federal standards will clarify and standardize terminology and provide for more efficient coordination between state and federal standards.

What changes will be made to the rules that address permanently moored craft?

- The term for the unit is updated from “permanently moored vessel” to “permanently moored craft”, in line with the United States Coast Guard's definition.
- The rules now incorporate by reference parts of the Code of Federal Regulations related to permanently moored craft, including stability requirements, periodic examinations, and drydocking and alternative hull examinations.
- Requirements for qualifications of third party examiners who provide services for permanently moored craft have been revised to reference federal requirements to ensure these third party examiners meet federally recognized standards.
- The rules now codify a long-standing policy regarding insurance requirements for third party examiners.
- Existing provisions have been re-written in clearer, plainer terms for ease of use.



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