

QUALIFICATION EXAMINATION FOR PROGRAM VISITORS

Instructions:

- Fill in your personal data
 - Name:
 - Certificate Number:
 - Squadron:
 - District:
 - Email address:

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1. How does the Recreational Boating safety Visitation program benefit Partners?
- a. Gives Partners the Coast Guard stamp of approval.
 - b. Permits Partners to utilize the benefit of the Coast Guard name in advertising.
 - c. Helps Partners establish a boating safety image with the public.
 - d. Lets customers know Partners represent the Coast Guard.
2. Partner visits should take place no less than:
- a. Weekly.
 - b. Annually.
 - c. Monthly.
 - d. Quarterly.
3. Which of the following could be a definition of a Partner?
- a. A member of the USPS engaged in marine interests and sales.
 - b. A business that sells supplies, equipment and/or services to the boating public.
 - c. A facility, which is involved in marine law enforcement.
 - d. Both b and c.
4. Name one of the primary purposes of the Vessel Safety Check program.
- a. To meet with recreational boaters in water oriented places.

- b. To determine if the boat meets Federal, State and local criteria for required safety equipment.
- c. A means of letting boaters know that the Power Squadron are on the job.
- d. To supply a means for the recreational boater to express their opinion for boating safety.

5. List the basic function for the Public Education Program.

- a. Improve the knowledge, safety skills and operating environment of recreational boaters.
- b. Teach laws and regulations for operation of small boats so that instructors may keep their qualifications.
- c. To make money for the Flotilla.
- d. All of the above.

6. Normally, where is the Vessel Safety Check decal affixed on a boat?

- a. Lower corner, port side of the windshield.
- b. On the outboard engine or main engine.
- c. On the transom.
- d. Any of the above locations is acceptable.

7. To become a Program Visitor, a member must first be:

- a. A marine law enforcement officer.
- b. Knowledgeable of the Coast Guards' RBS program.
- c. A new member.
- d. A vessel examiner.

8. An example of how Power Squadron programs could benefit from the Recreational Boating Safety Visitation Program is:

- a. Performing VSCs on the Partner boats awaiting sale.
- b. Teaching a Boating Safety Class at a Partners Facility using their classroom.
- c. Requiring Squadron membership to be part of the RBS Visitation Program.
- d. Posting a list of penalties for safety violations.

9. Which of the following is/are restricted from being a Program Visitor?

- a. A member who owns a participating Partner facility.
- b. A member who is engaged in selling marine related products or services.
- c. A member who is a marine surveyor.
- d. A member who is a Marine Law Enforcement Officer.

10. How does a member become a Program Visitor?

- a. Receive a letter from the District Safety Chair after becoming a vessel examiner.
- b. Be appointed by the Chief Commander upon the recommendation of the Squadron Commander.
- c. Take and pass the current RBSVP exam and satisfactorily perform two visits with a qualified Program Visitor.
- d. None of the above.

11. What is a primary purpose of the Partner Identification Coding Sheet, RBSV-11 (ANSC 7047)?

- a. To provide an accurate list for mailing of the Boating Safety Circular.
- b. To provide the Coast Guard a list for future solicitation.
- c. To allow Power Squadrons to have access to a list for future solicitation.
- d. All of the above.

12. When is the RBSV-11 (ANSC 7047) filled out?

- a. Yearly, preferably during January.
- b. Immediately after original visit with the Partner and whenever there is a change in basic data.
- c. Immediately after an initial visit by each Program Visitor.
- d. All of the above.

13. Which of these fueling precautions is correct?

- a. Take portable tanks off the boat before filling.
- b. Turn off engines, electrical equipment, radios and stoves.
- c. Close all hatches and other openings to closed areas.
- d. All of the above.

14. Who orders the Recreational Boating Safety materials?

- a. The District Commander.
- b. District PV Chair.
- c. Squadron Commander.
- d. Squadron PV Chair

15. Boat numbers must be:

- a. Plain, vertical, block style and not less than 3 inches in height.
- b. Painted on a clearly visible location on the aft part of the hull.

- c. Not less than four inches in height.
- d. Of a color that does not contrast with the background color.

16. The Recreational Boating Safety Visitation Program provides support to the boating public by posting:

- a. Public Education program schedules.
- b. Educational materials in literature display racks.
- c. VSC schedules.
- d. All of the above.

17. According to the Recreational Boating Safety Visitation Program Guide, to remain certified a member must:

- a. Attend a RBSVP workshop yearly.
- b. Complete at least four RBSVP visits yearly.
- c. Conduct one RBSVP visit under supervision plus four individual RBSVP visits.
- d. Satisfy the requirements of each District PV Chair

18. The Oily Waste Pollution Placard must be posted on all vessels:

- a. 39.4 feet and over.
- b. 26 feet and over with a machinery compartment.
- c. Registered and documented in the United States.
- d. With oil in the bilge.

19. A VSC decal may be withheld if:

- a. If registration numbers are not spaced properly.
- b. Federal requirements are met but State requirements are not.
- c. State requirements are met but Federal requirements are not.
- d. Any of the above.

20. Who is responsible for preparing and presenting the Certificate of Appreciation for partners?

- a. The Squadron Commander.
- b. The Program Visitor.
- c. The District PV Chair
- d. The Chief Commander

21. Can a Vessel Examiner from Florida perform a VSC while on vacation in North Dakota?

- a. Yes, providing they are familiar with North Dakota state and local requirements.
- b. No, they are not qualified outside their own state.
- c. Yes, they need only apply federal requirements to the VSC
- d. No, there is no way to record the results of out of state VSCs.

22. The Vessel safety Check Program has many goals. Which of the following fits these goals?

- a. Supplement the Coast Guard Recreational Boating Safety mission to minimize loss of life and property
- b. Supplement the local/state fish and wildlife authorities in enforcing the boating laws.
- c. Supplement as a force multiplier, the Coast Guard's interdiction policies.
- d. All of the above.

23. If a vessel does not have a windshield, where should the VSC decal be placed?

- a. The owner or operator may decide where they would like it placed.
- b. Since you may only place a decal on the window or windshield, the VSC should not have been on this boat.
- c. On the dashboard or back seat; someplace that will be readily visible to authorities while underway.
- d. Save the new decal for your next VSC and just give the owner the 7012 Form indicating that their boat earned a decal.

24. Which watercraft deserves special attention because of the accident rate for this group?

- a. SUBS
- b. Large powerboats.
- c. Sail Boats.
- d. Trawlers.

25. When must a sound producing device be used?

- a. Day use only.
- b. Night use only to signal your position.
- c. Meeting, crossing, overtaking situations and periods of reduced visibility.
- d. On vessels larger than 26 feet.

26. Can a boater use auto parts on a boat engine?
- Only on boats built prior to 1979.
 - Only if the vessel is powered by an auto engine.
 - Yes, because auto parts are less expensive.
 - Auto parts are not to be substituted for similar boat engine parts.
27. How much oil or fuel can be spilled overboard before it becomes a reportable spill?
- Any oil or fuel that can be dispersed is not reportable.
 - One (1) gallon or more.
 - Any discharge that causes a film or discoloration of the water surface.
 - Spills at a fuel station are not reportable.
28. Do the US Power Squadron Vessel Examiners need to follow Auxiliary rules while doing vessel safety checks.
- Only when performing VSCs with Auxiliary vessel examiners.
 - The USPS does not do vessel safety checks.
 - The USPS is a competitor and must use its' own program.
 - The USPS VSC-Chairpersons shall insure that the VSC program is carried out as outlined in the VSC manual.
29. What is the advantage of a VHF radio over a cellular phone for marine use?
- There is not advantage. Everyone carries a cell phone.
 - VHF radio does not charge by the minute.
 - The Coast Guard and other boaters monitor channel 16 VHF/FM.
 - VHF is not line of sight as is a cell phone.
30. The Recreational Boating Safety Visitation program benefits the the Power Squadron, by:
- Having the Partner stock only CG approved items.
 - Enabling inspection of the Partner's premises.
 - Keeping the Coast Guard, Auxiliary and the Squadron up to date on the latest boating information.
 - Using the Partner's premises for Public Education classes.
31. The Recreational Boating Safety Visitation Program in USPS comes under the supervision of:
- The National Operations Department.
 - The National Recreational Boating Safety Department.
 - The National Safety Committee.

d. The National Marine Safety Department.

32. What is the basic requirement for Squadron membership?

- a. Must have served in the armed services of the USA.
- b. Must be 16 or older.
- c. Must not have been convicted of a misdemeanor.
- d. Must have passed one of the squadron public boating courses or equivalent.

33. Can a Program Visitor visit any Partner?

- a. No. Each Program Visitor has his own Partners.
- b. Yes. Partners are not owned by any Program Visitor.
- c. Yes. With the permission of the local Squadron Commander
- d. Both b & c are correct.

34. The RBSV-11 (CG-5093) form, when completed goes via the appropriate chain to the District PV Chair who sends it to:

- a. Squadron PV Chair.
- b. Squadron Commander.
- c. USPS RBSVP Stf/C & Chair
- d. District Commander

35. If a Program Visitor's certification lapses, what is required to become recertified?

- a. The PV must retest and complete one (1) satisfactory visit under the supervision of a certified PV and then complete the five (5) required visits for the year.
- b. The PV must complete one (1) satisfactory visit under the supervision of a certified PV and then complete the ten (10) required visits for the year.
- c. The PV must complete two (2) satisfactory visits under the supervision of a certified PV and then complete the four (4) required visits for the year.
- d. The PV must complete five (5) satisfactory visits.

36. How often must a Program Visitor attend workshops?

- a. When required by the National or District leadership.
- b. Every other year, alternating with the Vessel Examiner workshop.
- c. Every year.
- d. No workshops are required.

37. When must a Program Visitor wear appropriate squadron attire during a visit?

- a. Whenever he/she feels like doing so.
- b. The PV should always be properly dressed during official visits.
- c. It is not necessary to wear a uniform for every visit.
- d. Only on Federal and State holidays.

38. Who will supply the current Partners Mailing List?

- a. Director of Auxiliary.
- b. Commandant (G-OPB-3).
- c. Squadron Commander.
- d. District PV Chair.

39. The purpose of a visit to a Partner is to:

- a. Acquaint the Partner with the Coast Guard, CG Auxiliary and Squadron.
- b. Point out the value of recreational boating safety.
- c. Place the Partner on the distribution list for USCG boating information if desired.
- d. All of the above.

40. The ideal time to initiate contact with Partners is:

- a. After the start of the boating session.
- b. During their busy period.
- c. Prior to the beginning of the boating season.
- d. At the convenience of the PV.

41. If a Partner asks about the US Power Squadron VSC program, you should:

- a. Tell them the US Coast Guard Auxiliary is the only authorized provider of VSCs.
- b. Inform them that the US Power Squadron participates in the VSC Program after receiving the same training as Auxiliary Vessel Examiners.
- c. Provide only details supporting the Power Squadron
- d. Advise the Partner they must have examinations by both organizations.

42. To qualify for assignment as a Program Visitor the candidate for PV should:

- a. Have received a letter of Certification.
- b. Have scheduled their activities with the Squadron PV Chair
- c. Have studied the RBSV Best Practices Guide.
- d. All of the above.

43. Which of the following qualities should the Program Visitor have?

- a. Be able to answer questions about the Coast Guard and state and local boating requirements.
- b. Be able to meet people as an ambassador for the Squadron.
- c. Be able to answer questions about Public Education courses and Vessel Safety Check program.
- d. All of the above.

44. The District Safety Chair responsibility(s) include(s):

- a. Advising the district of the budgetary requirements.
- b. Reporting top the district bridge as required.
- c. Promote and participate in the RBSV Program.
- d. All of the above.

45. Coast Guard, and Squadron benefits from the Recreational Boating Safety Visitation Program include:

- a. An educated boating public, which can help, prevent loss of lives and property.
- b. Identification of the Partner as a knowledgeable source of boating safety information for the general public.
- c. Increased exposure for programs and educational opportunities.
- d. All of the above.

46. Program Visitors may not be:

- a. The owner of a Partner facility.
- b. Employed by a Program Partner who he/she visits a Program Visitor.
- c. A law enforcement officer wearing his/her law enforcement uniform.
- d. All of the above.

47. For award of a VSC decal, the minimum number and size of fire extinguishers required aboard recreational boats is determined by the vessels:

- a. Length.
- b. Use.
- c. Type of construction.
- d. Date of manufacture.

48. Which of the following vessels are eligible for a VSC;

- a. Motorized surfboard.
- b. Vessels registered in other than the US or its territories.
- c. Work boats such as tugs, barges, etc.
- d. Kayaks or unregistered canoes.

49. A partner requests you to do VSCs on new boats on display in the dealership. If you were a qualified vessel examiner would you:

- a. Decline until the boats are in the water.
- b. Examine the boats and award the decal.
- c. Decline to examine the boats, because the VSC requirements state the owner or operator of the boat must be present.
- d. Examine the boat s. If a decal can be awarded present them to the Partner to be placed on the boat when sold.

50. At least one wearable PFD for each person on board, plus one type IV must be on board to meet the VSC standards for power boats that are:

- a. 16' or greater in length.
- b. 26' or greater in length.
- c. 40' or greater in length.
- d. Less than 16' in length.

51. A Florida vessel is examined while in the state of New York. Which of the following is true?

- a. No state or local requirements apply.
- b. State of New York and all local requirements apply.
- c. State of Florida requirements apply.
- d. Both Florida and New York requirements apply.

52. Which of the following is considered a proper display of State numbers?

- a. WN-1234-ZZ.
- b. WN1234ZZ.
- c. WN 1234 ZZ.
- d. Both a & c

53. When does a boater need to file a boating accident report?

- a. No report filing is necessary.
- b. For any injury or damage while vessel is trailered.
- c. When the vessel is adrift.
- d. For personal injury which requires medical treatment beyond first aid.

54. To meet the Vessel Safety Check life jacket requirements:

- a. The intended user must wear a Type – 1 life jacket and demonstrate its proper fit to the examiner.
- b. There must be at least one Type – 1 life jacket on board for each passenger under the age of six.
- c. All material tears/rips must be repaired and all worn straps must be replaced.
- d. All life jackets must be stowed so as to be readily accessible for use by passengers.

55. Federal Regulations state that all vessels with motors must have a container aboard to:

- a. Act as a backup bailer when the bilge pump fails.
- b. Act as a portable means of carrying oily waste.
- c. Act as a portable toilet.
- d. Both b and c.

56. A Program Visitor should:

- a. Have a well-rounded knowledge of the Coast Guard, CG Auxiliary and Squadron.
- b. Be a member at least 18 years old..
- c. Be truly interested in fulfilling the objectives of the RBS Visitation Program.
- d. All of the above.

57. More than one Flotilla/Squadron can use the same Partner for:

- a. Public Education course lists.
- b. VE phone number contacts.
- c. VSC stations.
- d. All of the above.

58. Partners must be advised that:

- a. Boater education can save lives.
- b. The Program Visitors will be available to answer questions about safety regulations.
- c. They may request the Program Visitor to schedule a VSC station at their location.
- d. All of the above.

59. To participate in the Recreational Boating Safety Visitation Program, the Partner:

- a. Agrees to provide a place for a literature display rack.

- b. Allows the posting of notices of their public education programs.
- c. Agrees to sell only Coast Guard equipment.
- d. Both a and b.



60. When a local Squadron is over committed and needs assistance, the Squadron Safety Chair should contact their:

- a. Squadron Commander.
- b. District PV Chair.
- c. District Commander.
- d. National VSC Stf/C for RBSVP