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the changeover shall be numbered or lettered on a metal plate or painted so that the markings can be recognized at a reasonable distance. The instructions shall indicate each clutch or pin to be “in” or “out” and each valve or switch which is to be “opened” or “closed” in shifting to any means of steering for which the vessel is equipped. Instructions shall be included to line up all steering wheels and rudder amidship before changing gears.

(b) [Reserved]

§ 97.37–35 Rudder orders.

(a) At all steering stations, there shall be installed a suitable notice on the wheel or device or in such other position as to be directly in the helmsman’s line of vision, to indicate the direction in which the wheel or device must be turned for “right rudder” and for “left rudder.”

(b) [Reserved]

§ 97.37–42 Markings for lifesaving appliances, instructions to passengers, and stowage locations.

Lifesaving appliances, instructions to passengers, and stowage locations must be marked in accordance with subchapter W (Lifesaving Appliances and Arrangements) of this chapter.

[CGD 84–069, 61 FR 25289, May 20, 1996]

§ 97.37–47 Portable magazine chests.

(a) Portable magazine chests shall be marked in letters at least 3 inches high:

“PORTABLE MAGAZINE CHEST—FLAMMABLE—KEEP LIGHTS AND FIRE AWAY.”

(b) [Reserved]

§ 97.37–50 Ventilation alarm failure.

(a) The alarm required by §92.15–16(d)(4) of this subchapter, which indicates the loss of required ventilation in spaces specially suitable for vehicles, shall be marked with a conspicuous sign in at least ¼-inch letters “VENTILATION FAILURE IN VEHICULAR SPACE.”

(b) [Reserved]

[CGFR 66–33, 31 FR 15286, Dec. 6, 1966]

§ 97.37–60 Watertight doors.

Quick-acting Class I watertight doors fitted in accordance with the requirements in §170.255(d) of this chapter must be marked “KEEP THIS DOOR CLOSED”.

(CGFR 80–129, 51 FR 33059, Sept. 18, 1986)

§ 97.37–90 Vessels contracted for prior to November 19, 1952.

(a) Vessels contracted for prior to November 19, 1952, shall meet the requirements of this paragraph.

(1) The requirements of §§97.37–5 through 97.37–50 shall be met with the exception that existing signs and markings containing the same general intent, but not necessarily identical wording or exact letter type, size, or color, may be retained so long as they are in good condition to the satisfaction of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection.

(2) [Reserved]

(b) [Reserved]


Subpart 97.40—Markings on Vessels

§ 97.40–1 Application.

(a) The provisions of this subpart shall apply to all vessels except as specifically noted.

§ 97.40–5 Hull markings.

Vessels shall be marked as required by parts 67 and 69 of this chapter.

(CGFR 72–104R, 37 FR 14233, July 18, 1972)

§ 97.40–10 Draft marks and draft indicating systems.

(a) All vessels must have draft marks plainly and legibly visible upon the stem and upon the sternpost or rudderpost or at any place at the stern of the vessel as may be necessary for easy observation. The bottom of each mark must indicate the draft.

(b) The draft must be taken from the bottom of the keel to the surface of the water at the location of the marks.

(c) In cases where the keel does not extend forward or aft to the location of the draft marks, due to raked stem or