

(3) After repairs or alterations to any structural component of the crane.

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**§ 107.261 Drydock or special examination.**

(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b), (c), and (d), each unit must be drydocked in the presence of a Coast Guard inspector at least once during each 24 month period after it is issued a Certificate of Inspection.

(b) If a unit is column-stabilized, it may be specially examined in lieu of drydocking in accordance with § 107.265 in the presence of a Coast Guard inspector.

(c) If a unit is self-elevating, it may be specially examined in lieu of drydocking in accordance with § 107.267 in the presence of a Coast Guard inspector.

(d) If a unit is a surface type, it may be specially examined in lieu of drydocking in accordance with § 107.265 in the presence of a Coast Guard inspector if the examination is specifically approved by the Commandant.

(e) The master, person in charge, owner, or agent of a certificated unit must notify the appropriate Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection before the unit is drydocked, or specially examined.

(f) The master, person in charge, owner, or agent of a certificated unit operating in international service must notify the appropriate Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection at least 60 days before the unit is drydocked or specially examined under § 107.265 or § 107.267.

**§ 107.265 Special examination in lieu of drydocking for column stabilized units or surface type units when specifically approved by the Commandant.**

(a) A column stabilized unit, or surface type unit when approved by the Commandant, must be specially examined in accordance with a plan—

- (1) Submitted in accordance with paragraph (b) of this section; and
- (2) Accepted by the Commandant (CG-CVC).

(b) To meet the requirements in paragraph (a) of this section, the owner or operator of the unit must submit a plan to the Coast Guard that provides the methods used to determine the condition of the hull and that contains the following information:

- (1) The planned location where the unit is to be examined.
- (2) The draft at which the unit is to be examined.
- (3) The names of the diver or diving company selected for the examination.
- (4) The method of visual presentation for the examination.
- (5) The method used to clean the underwater portion of the hull.
- (6) The method and location of gauging the underwater portion of the hull.
- (7) The number of underwater hull fittings and number of compartments to be opened.
- (8) The underwater high stress areas and the welds in those areas to be examined.

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**§ 107.267 Special examination in lieu of drydocking for self-elevating units.**

(a) A self-elevating unit must be specially examined in accordance with a plan—

- (1) Submitted in accordance with paragraph (b) of this section; and
- (2) Approved by the Commandant (CG-CVC).

(b) To meet the requirements in paragraph (a) of this section, the owner or operator of the unit must submit a plan to the Commandant (CG-CVC) that provides for—

- (1) Examination of the unit's hull while it is in the elevated position; and
- (2) Examination of the supporting mat, spud cans, or footings while the unit is afloat.

(c) The plan required in paragraph (b) of this section must contain the following information:

- (1) The planned location where the unit is to be examined.
- (2) The methods to be used to conduct the hull examination.