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(b) Under the direction of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, marine inspectors may inspect units engaged in OCS activities to determine whether the requirements of this subchapter are met. These inspections may be conducted with or without advance notice at any time deemed necessary by the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection.

(c) As part of an inspection, a marine inspector may review records and require and observe the conduct of emergency drills and other tests and procedures as may be necessary to demonstrate to that person's satisfaction that the unit and its equipment are in full compliance with applicable Coast Guard regulations. The marine inspector consults with the person in charge of the unit before requiring a drill or other test or procedure to be conducted to minimize disruption of unit activities and risk to life or property.

(d) Coast Guard inspections of foreign units recognize valid international certificates accepted by the United States, including Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), Loadline, and Mobile Offshore Drilling Unit (MODU) Code certificates for matters covered by the certificates, unless there are clear grounds for believing that the condition of the unit or its equipment does not correspond substantially with the particulars of the certificate.

(e) Coast Guard marine inspectors conduct an initial inspection of each fixed OCS facility installed after June 27, 1988, to determine whether the facility is in compliance with the requirements of this subchapter.

[CGD 78-160, 47 FR 9376, Mar. 4, 1982, as amended by CGD 84-098a, 53 FR 18980, May 26, 1988]

§ 140.103 Annual inspection of fixed OCS facilities.

(a) The owner or operator of each fixed OCS facility shall ensure that the facility is inspected, at intervals not to exceed 12 months, to determine whether the facility is in compliance with the requirements of this subchapter.

(b) Except for initial inspections under § 140.101(e), inspections by Coast Guard Marine inspectors do not meet the requirements for an inspection under paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) Except for initial inspections under § 140.101(e), the results of the inspection must be recorded on Form CG-5432. Forms CG-5432 may be obtained from the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection. The owner or operator shall submit the completed Form CG-5432 to the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, within 30 days after completion of the inspection.

(d) For facilities installed on the OCS after June 27, 1988, the 12 month period under paragraph (a) of this section begins with the initial inspection under § 140.101(e). For facilities on the OCS on June 27, 1988, the 12 month period begins upon completion of the first inspection under paragraph (a) of this section, which inspection must be completed within 12 months after June 27, 1988. Before September 26, 1988, the owner or operator shall notify the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, of the proposed inspection date for each facility.

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§ 140.105 Correction of deficiencies and hazards.

(a) Lifesaving and fire fighting equipment which is found defective during an inspection and which, in the opinion of the inspector, cannot be satisfactorily repaired must be so mutilated in the presence of the inspector that it cannot be used for the purpose for which it was originally intended. Lifesaving and fire fighting equipment subsequently determined to be unrepairable must be similarly mutilated in the presence of the person making that determination.

(b) Any deficiency or hazard discovered during an inspection by a Coast Guard marine inspector is reported to the unit's owner or operator, who shall have the deficiency or hazard corrected or eliminated as soon as practicable and within the period of time specified by the Coast Guard marine inspector.

(c) Deficiencies and hazards discovered during an inspection of a fixed OCS facility under § 140.103(a) must be corrected or eliminated, if practicable, before the Form CG-5432 is submitted

to the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection (OCMI). Deficiencies and hazards that are not corrected or eliminated by the time the Form is submitted must be indicated on the Form as "outstanding." For lifesaving and firefighting equipment deficiencies that cannot be corrected before the submission of Form CG-5432, the owner or operator shall contact the OCMI to request a time period for repair of the item. The owner or operator shall include a description of the deficiency and the time period specified by the OCMI for correction of the deficiency in the comment section of Form CG-5432. Upon receipt of a Form CG-5432 indicating outstanding deficiencies or hazards, the OCMI informs, by letter, the owner or operator of the fixed OCS facility of the deficiencies or hazards and the time period specified to correct or eliminate the deficiencies or hazards.

(d) Where a deficiency or hazard remains uncorrected or uneliminated after the expiration of the time specified for correction or elimination, the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, initiates appropriate enforcement measures.

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Subpart C—Investigations

§ 140.201 General.

Under the direction of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, investigating officers investigate the following incidents occurring as a result of OCS activities:

- (a) Death.
- (b) Injury resulting in substantial impairment of any bodily unit or function.
- (c) Fire which causes death, serious injury or property damage exceeding \$25,000.
- (d) Oil spillage exceeding two hundred barrels of oil in one occurrence during a thirty-day period.
- (e) Other injuries, casualties, accidents, complaints of unsafe working conditions, fires, pollution, and incidents occurring as a result of OCS activities as the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, deems necessary to

promote the safety of life or property or protect the marine environment.

§ 140.203 Investigation procedures.

(a) Insofar as practicable, investigations conducted pursuant to this subchapter shall follow the procedures of 46 CFR Part 4.

(b) Representatives of the U.S. Geological Survey may participate in these investigations. This participation may include, but is not limited to:

- (1) Participating in a joint on-scene investigation;
- (2) Making recommendations concerning the scope of the investigation;
- (3) Calling and examining witnesses; and
- (4) Submitting or requesting additional evidence.

(c) Reports of investigations conducted under this subchapter shall be made available to parties to the investigation and the public upon completion of agency action.

§ 140.205 Subpoenas.

(a) In any investigation conducted pursuant to this subchapter, the investigating officer shall have the power to administer necessary oaths, subpoena witnesses, and require the production of books, papers, documents, and any other evidence.

(b) Attendance of witnesses or the production of books, papers, documents, or any other evidence shall be compelled by a process similar to that used in the District Courts of the United States.

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