

**Subpart 32.15—Navigation Equipment**

**§ 32.15-5 Whistles—T/ALL.**

(a) [Reserved]  
 (b) On tankships contracted for on and after November 19, 1955 means shall be provided to operate the whistle from a position adjacent to the main steering station and from the steering station on top of the pilothouse where such steering station is fitted. Details of the whistle operating devices shall meet the requirements of subchapter J (Electrical Engineering) of this chapter.

NOTE: Appendix A in 33 CFR subchapter D contains the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972.

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**§ 32.15-10 Sounding machines—T/OCL.**

All mechanically propelled vessels in ocean or coastwise service of 500 gross tons and over, and all mechanically propelled vessels in of 500 gross tons and over and certificated for service on the River St. Lawrence eastward of the lower exit of the St. Lambert Lock at Montreal, Canada, must be fitted with an efficient electronic deep-sea sounding apparatus.

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**§ 32.15-15 Anchors, Chains, and Hawsers—TB/ALL**

(a) *Application.* Use the following table to determine which provisions of this section apply to you:

If you own . . .	And . . .	Then . . .
(1) A tankship or a manned seagoing barge.	It was constructed before June 15, 1987,	It must meet the requirements of paragraphs (d) and (f).
(2) A tankship or a manned seagoing barge.	It was constructed on or after June 15, 1987,	It must meet all the requirements of this section except paragraphs (d) and (e).
(3) An unmanned barge equipped with anchors.		It must meet the requirements of paragraphs (e) and (f).

(b) *Ocean, Coastwise, or Great Lakes Service.* Tankships in ocean, coastwise, or Great Lakes service and manned seagoing barges must be fitted with anchors, chains and hawsers in general agreement with the standards established by the American Bureau of Shipping. The current standards of other recognized classification societies may also be accepted upon approval by the Commandant.

(c) *Lakes, Bays, and Sounds, or River Service.* Tankships in lakes, bays, and sounds, or river service must be fitted with such ground tackle and hawsers as deemed necessary by the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, depending upon the size of the tankship and the waters on which it operates.

(d) *Tankships and Barges Constructed Before June 15, 1987.* For each tankship or manned seagoing barge constructed before June 15, 1987, except a barge specified in paragraph (e) of this section, the equipment previously accepted or approved is satisfactory for the same service so long as it is main-

tained in good condition to the satisfaction of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection (OCMI). If the service of the vessel changes, the OCMI will evaluate the suitability of the equipment.

(e) *Barges Equipped with Anchors to Comply with 33 CFR 155.230(b)(1).* Each barge equipped with an anchor, to comply with 33 CFR 155.230(b)(1), must be fitted with an operable anchoring system that includes a cable or chain, and a winch or windlass. All components of the system must be in general conformity with the standards issued by a recognized classification society. A list of recognized classification societies, including information for ordering copies of approved standards, is available from Commandant (G-MSE), 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001; telephone (202) 267-6925 or fax (202) 267-4816. If the Coast Guard finds that your anchoring system is not in general conformity with an approved standard, it will advise you how to bring it into such conformity.