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therein which entitles him or her to such possession.

Reporting authority means a State where a numbering system has been approved by the Coast Guard or the Coast Guard where a numbering system has not been approved. Reporting authorities are listed in Appendix A of Part 173 of this chapter.
[CGD 72-54R, 37 FR 21402, Oct. 7, 1972, as amended by CGD 96-026, 61 FR 33669, J une 28, 1996; CGD 97-023, 62 FR 33365, J une 19, 1997; USCG-2003-15404, 68 F R 37742, J une 25, 2003]

## § 174.5 Requirements for approval.

The Commandant approves a State numbering system if he or she finds, after examination of the information submitted by a State, that the State numbering system and vessel casualty reporting system meet the requirements of this part, 46 U.S.C. 6102, and 46 U.S.C. Chapter 123.
[CGD 97-023, 62 FR 33365, J une 19, 1997, as amended by USCG-1998-3799, 63 FR 35533, J une 30, 1998; USCG-2003-15404, 68 FR 37742, J une 25, 2003]

## § 174.7 Approval procedure.

To obtain approval by the Commandant of a numbering system or of any revision to a numbering system, an authorized representative of the State must submit three copies of the State laws, regulations, forms, and policy statements, if any, that pertain to the numbering system or revision to Office of Boating Safety, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001.
[CGD 72-54R, 37 FR 21402, Oct. 7, 1972, as amended by CGD 82-010, 48 FR 8273, F eb. 28, 1983; CGD 88-052, 53 FR 25122, July 1, 1988; CGD 96-026, 61 FR 33669, J une 28, 1996]

## Subpart B-Numbering System Requirements

§ 174.11 Applicability of State numbering system.
(a) Except as allowed in paragraph (c) of this section, a State numbering system must require the numbering of vessels to which § 173.11 of this chapter applies.
(b) A State numbering system may require the numbering of any vessel subject to the jurisdiction of the State
unless prohibited by the regulations in Part 173 of this chapter.
(c) A State numbering system may exempt from its numbering requirements any vessel or class of vessels to which $\S 173.13$ of this chapter applies.
$\S 174.13$ Owner or operator requirements.
A State numbering system must contain the requirements applicable to an owner or a person operating a vessel that are prescribed in the following sections of Part 173:
(a) Paragraph (a) of $\S 173.15$ Vessel number required.
(b) Section 173.19 Other numbers prohibited.
(c) Paragraph (a) of $\S 173.21$ Certificate of number required.
(d) Section 173.23 Inspection of certificate.
(e) Section 173.25 Location of certificate of number.
(f) Section 173.29 Notification of issuing authority.
(g) Section 173.71 Application for certificate of number.
(h) Section 173.73 Duplicate certificate of number.
(i) Section 173.77 V alidity of certificate of number.
(46 U.S.C. 1451, 1467, 1488; 49 CF R 1.46(n)(1))
[CGD 77-117, 44 FR 42195, J uly 19, 1979]
$\S$ 174.14 State numbering system optional sections.
In addition to the requirements in §174.13, a State numbering system may contain any of the other requirements applicable to a vessel owner or operator prescribed in Part 173.
(46 U.S.C. 1451, 1467, 1488; 49 CF R 1.46(n)(1))
[CGD 77-117, 44 FR 42195, J uly 19, 1979, as amended by USCG-1999-5832, 64 FR 34715, J une 29, 1999]

## § 174.15 Validation stickers.

(a) If a State issues validation stickers, its numbering system must contain the requirements that stickers must be displayed within 6 inches of the number and the stickers must meet the requirements in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section.
(b) Validation stickers must be approximately 3 inches square.

