

§ 171.9

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No. 0170.1 at 2(103).) *Unloading incidental to movement* includes transloading.

Vessel includes every description of watercraft, used or capable of being used as a means of transportation on the water.

Viscous liquid means a liquid material which has a measured viscosity in excess of 2500 centistokes at 25 °C. (77 °F.) when determined in accordance with the procedures specified in ASTM Method D 445-72 “Kinematic Viscosity of Transparent and Opaque Liquids (and the Calculation of Dynamic Viscosity)” or ASTM Method D 1200-70 “Viscosity of Paints, Varnishes, and Lacquers by Ford Viscosity Cup.”

Volatility refers to the relative rate of evaporation of materials to assume the vapor state.

Water reactive material. See §173.124(c) of this subchapter.

Water resistant means having a degree of resistance to permeability by and damage caused by water in liquid form.

Wooden barrel means a packaging made of natural wood, of round cross-section, having convex walls, consisting of staves and heads and fitted with hoops.

W.T. means watertight.

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EDITORIAL NOTE: For FEDERAL REGISTER citations affecting §171.8, see the List of CFR Sections Affected which appears in the Finding Aids section of the printed volume and on GPO Access.

§ 171.9 Rules of construction.

(a) In this subchapter, unless the context requires otherwise:

- (1) Words imparting the singular include the plural;
- (2) Words imparting the plural include the singular; and
- (3) Words imparting the masculine gender include the feminine;

(b) In this subchapter, the word: (1) “Shall” is used in an imperative sense;

(2) “Must” is used in an imperative sense;

(3) “Should” is used in a recommendatory sense;

(4) “May” is used in a permissive sense to state authority or permission to do the act described, and the words “no person may * * *” or “a person may not * * *” means that no person is required, authorized, or permitted to do the act described; and

(5) “Includes” is used as a word of inclusion not limitation.

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§ 171.10 Units of measure.

(a) *General.* To ensure compatibility with international transportation standards, most units of measure in this subchapter are expressed using the International System of Units (“SI” or metric). Where SI units appear, they are the regulatory standard. U.S. standard or customary units, which appear in parentheses following the SI units, are for information only and are not intended to be the regulatory standard.

(b) Abbreviations for SI units of measure generally used throughout this subchapter are as shown in paragraph (c) of this section. Customary units shown throughout this subchapter are generally not abbreviated.

(c) *Conversion values.* (1) Conversion values are provided in the following table and are based on values provided in ASTM E 380, “Standard for Metric Practice”.

(2) If an exact conversion is needed, the following conversion table should be used.

TABLE OF CONVERSION FACTORS FOR SI UNITS

Measurement	SI to U.S. standard	U.S. standard to SI
Activity	1 TBq=27 Ci	1 Ci=0.037 TBq
Length	1 cm=0.3937008 in	1 in=2.540000 cm
	1 m=3.280840 ft	1 ft=0.3048000 m
Thickness	1 mm=0.03937008 in	1 in=25.40000 mm
Mass (weight)	1 kg=2.204622 lb	1 lb=0.4535924 kg
	1 g=0.03527397 oz	1 oz=28.34952 g
Pressure	1 kPa=0.1450377 psi	1 psi=6.894757 kPa
	1 Bar=100 kPa=14.504 psi	1 psi=0.06895 Bar
	1 kPa=7.5 mm Hg	