

Instructions for obtaining a U.S. Coast Guard 17th District Letter of Non-Enforcement for Infant & Toddler Immersion Suits

Background:

Federal law requires a serviceable U.S. Coast Guard approved Immersion/Survival suit be carried for each person onboard all commercial fishing vessels. At the present time, no manufacturer produces an approved suit for persons less than 39” tall. In order to legally carry a person onboard in this category, a “Letter of Non-Enforcement” must be carried aboard the vessel.

Information Needed:

1. Name, address, phone number and email of requestor
2. Name, length and Official Number of vessel being used
3. Type of fisheries the vessel engages in
4. Geographic area the vessel operates in (including distance from shore)
5. Age, gender & height of person(s) requiring a Letter of Non-Enforcement

Mail Request To:

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Fishing Vessel Safety Coordinator
Commander (dpi)
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