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Seagoing Barges Direct Final Rule Published

The Coast Guard announced today Federal Register publication of a direct final rule concerning seagoing barges. By this direct final rule, the Coast Guard is revising regulations for the inspection and certification of seagoing barges to align with the language of 46 U.S.C. 2101 and 46 U.S.C. 3302(m). The statutory language exempts certain seagoing barges from inspection. Through this rule, we seek to harmonize the regulation with the law as well as adjust the language of the regulation to be consistent with the language used in the statutes.

The direct final rule and related materials may be reviewed at <http://www.regulations.gov> by entering docket number: USCG-2011-0363.

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