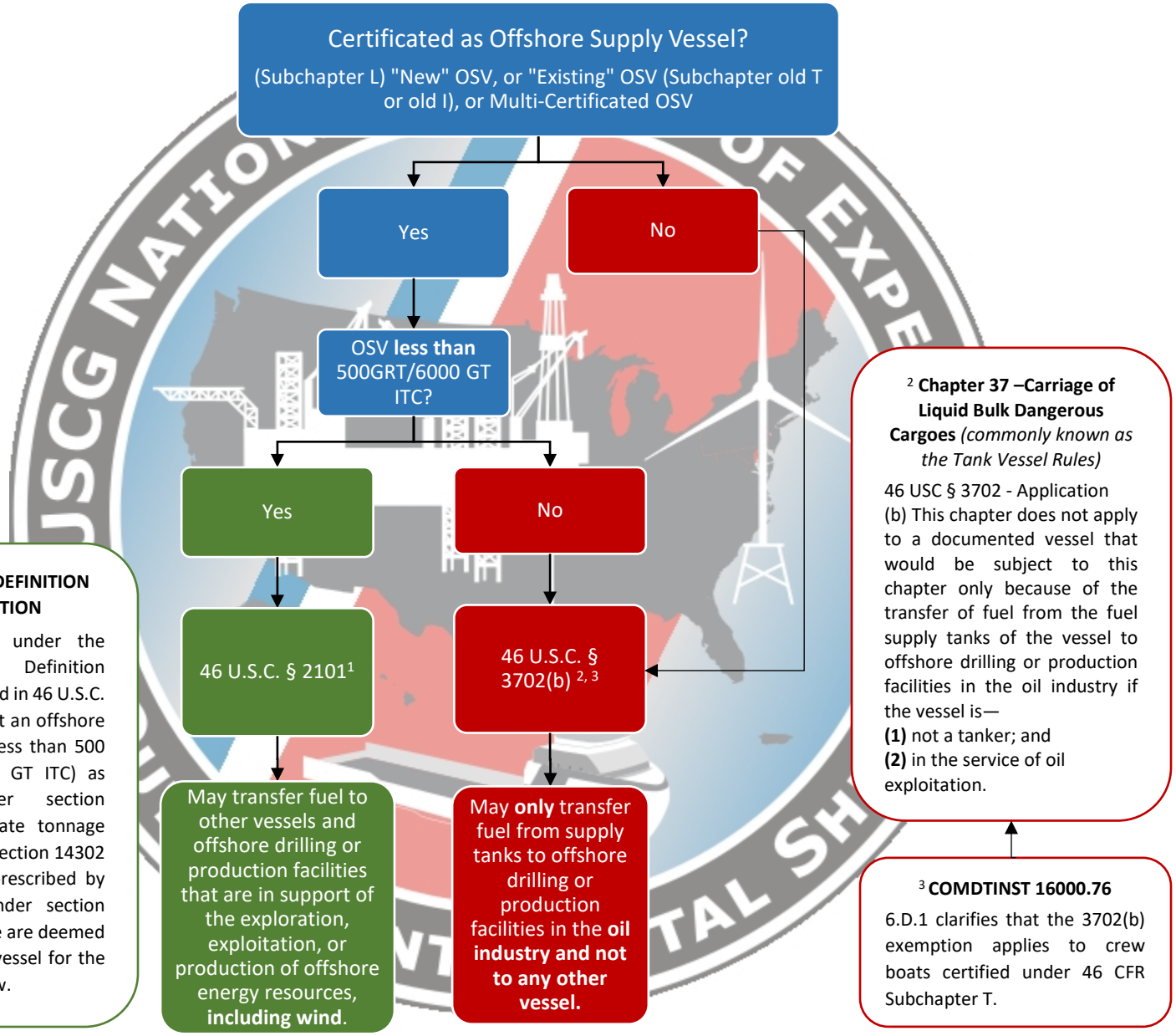
Fuel Transfer Flowchart



[1] **TANK VESSEL DEFINITION CLARIFICATION**

Paragraph (b)(1) under the "Tank Vessel Definition Clarification" found in 46 U.S.C. § 2101, states that an offshore supply vessel of less than 500 gross tons (6000 GT ITC) as measured under section 14502, or alternate tonnage measured under section 14302 of such title as prescribed by the Secretary under section 14104 of such title are deemed not to be a tank vessel for the purpose of any law.

[2] **Chapter 37 –Carriage of Liquid Bulk Dangerous Cargoes** *(commonly known as the Tank Vessel Rules)*

46 USC § 3702 - Application
(b) This chapter does not apply to a documented vessel that would be subject to this chapter only because of the transfer of fuel from the fuel supply tanks of the vessel to offshore drilling or production facilities in the oil industry if the vessel is—
(1) not a tanker; and
(2) in the service of oil exploitation.

[3] **COMDTINST 16000.76**

6.D.1 clarifies that the 3702(b) exemption applies to crew boats certified under 46 CFR Subchapter T.

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