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ACTIVATION OF BOAT / YATCH TO PCGA SERVICE

I. GENERAL:

The PCGA, being an NGO mostly composed of volunteers coming from various professions whose jobs or businesses are directly or indirectly related to the maritime sectors, has in its inventory considerable number of boats, yachts and vessels. As such, policies and provisions with regards to the use of these watercrafts involved in various PCGA activities must be strictly implemented so as to preserve the good name or image of the organization.

II. SCOPE:

This Standing Operating Procedure (SOP) applies to all PCGA watercrafts to be activated into the service of the Philippine Coast Guard Auxiliary and to be assigned to the Squadron where the owner of the watercraft is a member.

III. PURPOSE:

This SOP prescribes the policies and procedures pertaining to the activation of all PCGA vessels, boats or yacht into the service of the Auxiliary.

IV. POLICIES:

1. Only vessels, boats or yachts owned by active PCGA members are eligible to be registered and activated to the PCGA service. Commercial vessels are not eligible for activation.

2. The boat / yacht shall be properly registered with PCG and PCGA before being activated to the PCGA service.

3. The owner should be an active member of his squadron for six (6) months and shall signify his desire for his boat/yacht to be activated thru an application duly approved by the Squadron Commander.

4. The owner should be known in his or her locality as a person of good moral character and must not have any pending case in any court nor have derogatory record against his person..

5. The boat/yacht does not have a history or record of gross violation of maritime laws.

6. The PCGA member-owner shall make his boat/yacht available in case of search and rescue operations or marine pollution control.

7. The boat/yacht shall pass the seaworthiness inspection conducted by the PCGA safety inspectors duly appointed by the Squadron Commander.

V. PROCEDURES AND DUTIES :

1. An active PCGA member who wish to activate his boat/yacht to the PCGA service may signify his intention through a duly accomplished application form to be submitted to PCGA Squadron where he is assigned.

2. The PCGA Squadron upon receipt of the application for boat/yacht activation will inspect the completeness of the supporting documents and verify the authenticity of the information with regards to the vessel and its owner.

3. The processed application will be forwarded to the PCGA National Director thru channel for his endorsement to CPCG and approval of the latter.

4. Once the application is approved by the CPCG, its activation order will be issued by the PCG Adjutant.

5. With the issuance of the activation order, the boat / yacht will be authorized to fly the PCGA activation pennant with the PCGA Seal or emblem marked on both sides.

6. Every compliant boat/yacht shall be issued an activation certificate signed by the PCGA Squadron Commander, PCG District Commander and Commandant, PCG.

VI. RESPONSIBILITIES :

1. The owner of the boat/yacht shall be expelled from PCGA membership if his boat/yacht is used in any illegal activities. Likewise, the boat/yacht shall be automatically deactivated in the PCGA service.

2. PCGA Squadron Commanders and District Commodores are held responsible for the strict implementation of this SOP.

3. PCG Station Commanders who are also the Squadron Directors shall closely monitor compliance to this SOP in their respective AOR.

VII. RESCISSION: Sec 3.3.1.3.8 & 9 and 3.3.2.3.3 of the Revised PCGA Regulations Manual and Officers' Guide Series of 2002 and other SOP's and policies or parts thereof which are in conflict with this SOP, are hereby rescinded.

VIII. EFFECTIVITY: This SOP takes effect upon publication.

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