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Eleventh Coast Guard District, Auxiliary, Southern Region Policy Directive 03-11

Subj: OPERATIONAL FACILITY INSPECTIONS BY QUALIFYING EXAMINERS

Ref: (a) Auxiliary Vessel Facility Inspection Form (CG 2736, Rev 5-96)  
(b) Auxiliary OPFAC Checklist Sheet CCGD11 (ba-SR#6, Rev 9/96)

1. **PURPOSE.** To ensure the safety of all members while conducting Qualifying Examination sessions underway on ordered missions. .
2. **DIRECTIVES AFFECTED.** This Policy Directive cancels Policy 87-1, CONDITION OF FACILITY USED IN EXAMINATION, dtd 14 Oct 1987.
3. **DISCUSSION.** Prior to getting underway the assigned Qualification Examiner will observe the Coxswain during an inspection of the facility and equipment using the Facility Check off list. The standards as set forth from the facility Check off Sheet are a reflection of refs (a and b). If the facility fails to meet the standard then the mission may be cancelled unless it can be corrected on the spot to the QE's satisfaction.
4. **ACTION.** If the QE feels that the deficiencies are such as to create a potential hazard during on the water exercises the QE is authorized and directed to terminate the mission. If the QE feels that the deficiencies can be corrected prior to getting underway, or are minor in nature where they will not constitute an unsafe situation then the session may be continued. A QE may refuse to examine certain task if the facility is inadequately equipped or unsafe for the particular task. If a mission is canceled the QE will notify, in writing, the Operations Training Officer the circumstance of the event. A copy of the QE Facility Checkoff will be attached to the letter. The facility owner will receive a copy of this letter, and shall be briefed by the QE at the time. If the Coxswain feels the action is not justified he should, in writing, explain his objections to the Operations Training Officer. Orders may not be issued to for that facility until the discrepancies are corrected

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