

APPENDIX N

U. S. COAST GUARD APPROVED  
PERSONAL FLOATATION DEVICES

N-1. Requirements for Use. The use of U.S. Coast Guard approved personal floatation devices will be as follows:

a. Personal Floatation Devices. Personal floatation devices are designed for emergency use on vessels 40 feet or more in length which are involved in Ocean, Coastwise and Great Lakes operations. They are not required to be worn except in the event of abandon-ship operations or similar emergency conditions where survival equipment is necessary. They must be aboard and readily accessible at all times on the basis of one personal floatation device per person.

b. Work Vests. Work vests shall be worn as prescribed by EM 385-1-1. They are authorized and approved for use as personal floatation devices on vessels engaged in Lakes, Bays, Sounds and Rivers operations. These work vests are also authorized and approved for use as work vests aboard vessels in Ocean, Coastwise and Great Lakes operations which are also equipped with U.S. Coast Guard approved personal floatation devices.