

| INCIDENT TYPES Terms and Definitions – for purposes of recording incident-related data<br>Effective Jan. 1, 2024 |   |   |
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| Current term(s) <sup>1</sup>   | Term in <a href="#">CG-BSX Policy Letter 23-01, CH-1</a>  | As defined in <a href="#">CG-BSX Policy Letter 23-01, CH-1</a>  |
| Capsizing  | <b>Capsizing</b>  | The overturning of a vessel.  |
| Flooding/Swamping  | <b>Flooding</b>   | The manner by which water enters the vessel through a fitting, a drain plug, a hole or crack in the hull, or other means that allows ingress of water through the hull not over the top of the gunwale, transom, or decking of the vessel. Flooding is not the same as swamping.  |
| Sinking  | <b>Sinking</b>  | After swamping, flooding, or capsizing, the vessel loses enough buoyancy to submerge entirely below the surface of the water.   |
| Flooding/Swamping  | <b>Swamping</b>   | The manner by which water enters the vessel over the top of the gunwale, transom, or decking of the vessel, not through a fitting, drain plug, hole or crack in the hull, or other means that allows ingress of water through the hull. Swamping is not the same as flooding.   |
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| Collision with Fixed Object  | <b>Collision with Fixed Object (Allision)<sup>2</sup></b> | The striking of any fixed object, above or below the surface of the water, except the bottom of the body of water. This includes a vessel striking another vessel moored to a dock, pier, or similar structure; and a vessel striking timber or stumps.   |
| Collision with Floating Object<br><br>Collision with Submerged Object  | <b>Collision with Floating Object</b>                     | The striking of a floating object other than a vessel, above or below the surface of the water, which is not fixed or held in place by any means (e.g., barrels, logs, or other debris).  |
| Collision with Vessel<br><br>Collision w/commercial boat<br><br>Collision w recreational boat                    | <b>Collision with Vessel</b>                              | A striking together of two or more vessels, including colliding with an anchored vessel, a vessel secured to a mooring buoy or the tow of another vessel with exception of a towed watersport participant(s). This does not include a vessel striking a vessel moored to a dock, pier, or similar structure (see collision with fixed object (allision)). |
| Grounding  | <b>Grounding</b>  | Running aground of a vessel, including the striking or pounding on rocks, reefs, shoals, or the bottom of the body of water; includes a stranded vessel.  |

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<sup>2</sup> The change in definition—to include striking a docked/moored vessel—will alter coding. As there should be a vessel record for each vessel involved, the Coast Guard plans to introduce a new incident type in the vessel perspective in January 2024---“Impacted by Vessel” to code docked/moored vessels accordingly.

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| Person Left Boat Voluntarily                             | <b>Person Departs Vessel Voluntarily</b>                                 | A person, acting of their own free will, enters the water from a vessel, resulting in the person's injury or death.  |
| Ejected from Vessel; Person Ejected from Boat            | <b>Person Ejected from a Vessel</b>                                      | A person is thrown out of a vessel involuntarily by a non-human force such as a wake, wave, collision, or unexpected change in direction of the vessel.  |
| Falls Overboard  | <b>Person Falls Overboard</b>  | A person involuntarily falls off a vessel.   |
| Falls in Vessel; Person fell on/within Boat              | <b>Person Impacts Vessel</b>   | A person slips, trips, falls, or strikes a surface on or in a vessel.  |
| Person Struck by Propeller/Propulsion Unit               | <b>Person Struck by Propeller/Propulsion Unit/Water Jet</b>              | A person who is located on, inside, or outside of a vessel is struck by the propeller or propulsion unit of a vessel or high velocity water leaving the propulsion unit.   |
| Struck by Vessel; Person Struck by Boat                  | <b>Person Struck by Vessel</b>   | A person who is located inside or outside of a vessel is struck by a vessel.   |
| Skier Mishap; Mishap of Skier, Tuber, Wake Boarder, etc. | <b>Towed Watersport Mishap</b>   | Associated with vessel passenger(s) or person(s) being towed or surfing the wake created by the vessel, including but not limited to persons falling or ejected during their activity; being struck by or entangled in the activity equipment; or running into a person, object or vessel. |
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| Fire/Explosion (Fuel)                                    | <b><u>Fire/Explosion (fuel)</u></b>                                      |  |
|  | <b>----Fire/Explosion (Engine (propulsion) or generator-related)</b>     | Accidental burning or explosion of a vessel due to combustion of vessel fuels or their vapors used for electrical generation or propulsion.  |
|  | <b>----Fire/Explosion (Not engine (propulsion) or generator-related)</b> | Accidental burning or explosion of a vessel due to combustion of fuels or their vapors not used for electrical generation or propulsion.   |
| Fire/Explosion (Other than Fuel)                         | <b><u>Fire/Explosion (non-fuel)</u></b>                                  | Accidental burning or explosion of any material onboard a vessel except vessel fuels or their vapors.  |
| Fire/Explosion (Other) or (Unknown Origin)               | <b><u>Fire/Explosion (unknown origin)</u></b>                            | Accidental burning or explosion of any material onboard a vessel where the cause of the fire/explosion is unknown.   |

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| Carbon Monoxide Exposure<br><br>Carbon Monoxide Poisoning | <b>Carbon Monoxide Exposure</b>   | Death or injury resulting from an odorless, colorless gas generated from auxiliary vessel equipment (including but not limited to stoves, heaters, refrigerators, generators, and hot water heaters), another vessel's exhaust, or the exhaust of the vessel on which persons were either aboard or in close proximity. |
| Electrocution; Person Electrocuted                        | <b>Electrical Shock</b>   | When a person makes contact with electrical current from a vessel or its equipment. This includes system failure and stray current. It does not include lightning (see natural phenomena).  |
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| No previously used term                                   | <b>Natural Phenomena</b>  | Includes interaction with things such as lightning, being struck or bitten by a fish, or falling debris from a cliff.   |
| Sudden Medical Condition                                  | Does not appear in policy letter; however, term remains an option in BARD because it is on current Coast Guard BAR form (CG-3865)                   | Not defined in policy letter. Per CG-BSX Policy Letter 23-01, CH-1, medical emergencies unrelated to the vessel or its equipment and involving no other vessel are not reportable to the Coast Guard.   |
| Other (describe)  | Does not appear in policy letter; however, term appears in 33 CFR § 173.57, and is an option in BARD and on current Coast Guard BAR form (CG-3865). | Not defined in policy letter. However, remains in use to identify incident types that do not fit any of the described types.  |
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