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Subj: Auxiliary Steering Stations; manning of

1. Purpose. The purpose of this Instruction is to direct the manning of stations necessary to effect an immediate transfer of control, in the event of a steering casualty.

2. Cancellation. MSTSPACINST 9240.1 is cancelled.

3. Information. A steering casualty when maneuvering or under way in restricted waters may result in a collision or grounding if control is not recovered promptly. It is recognized that the manning of the steering room station will result in additional overtime.

4. Directive. Masters shall insure that:

a. Prior to entering a port or other restricted waters, all means of steering control on the bridge, and all means of communications between the bridge and auxiliary steering stations shall be tested. This is in addition to tests of equipment prior to leaving port required by Coast Guard regulations.

b. When maneuvering or under way in restricted waters, the steering engine room control station shall be manned. The minimum requirement shall be one engineering and one deck rating. The engineering rating shall be qualified to make any change-over necessary for any type of steering casualty. The deck rating shall man the telephone to the bridge, and be qualified to steer with the steering engine trick wheel if required.

c. Applicable steering casualty instructions are posted on the bridge, in the steering engine room, and at the secondary control station.

d. Personnel assigned to these stations are well trained in their duties so that control may be shifted without the delay of referring to

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instructions, in the event of a casualty. The time the emergency steering station is reported manned and the time it is secured shall be entered in the deck log.

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