



ERDC Dredging Operations Technical Support Program (DOTS)

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Response Summary:

To learn more about the regulations which require an ocean-certified dredge. Contact information to inquire about a specific vessel and operation.

Period of Performance:

Start date: June 6, 2018; End date: July 12, 2018.

Benefits of the Response to the USACE Dredging/Navigation Program:

To determine why an ocean-certified dredge is needed for a dredge project.

Deliverable:

Product deliverable was an email response from the US Coast Guard (USCG) containing general information about certification. The DOTS requestor was asked to provide information about the dredge vessel for a more detailed response but the vessel information was not provided.

According to USCG, with no specific vessel or operation in mind, the applicable regulations would be largely dependent on how the vessel is propelled and the route. For instance, if the vessel is 300 GRT or more in size and travels beyond the Boundary Line, it would be subject to inspection as a seagoing motor vessel. Another item that could cause the vessel to be inspected under the same regulations would be if it were powered by steam.

For further information about ocean certification it is recommended to contact the USCG, Office of Commercial Vessel Compliance, Domestic Vessel Compliance Staff. For a detailed response, information about the vessel and operations should be provided.

Office of Commercial Vessel Compliance website: <https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/Assistant-Commandant-for-Prevention-Policy-CG-5P/Inspections-Compliance-CG-5PC-/Commercial-Vessel-Compliance/>.



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