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**Subject:** Standards for the Construction, Inspection, and Operation of Barges Carrying Oil or Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk

## *Purpose*

This bulletin aims to inform the marine community that Transport Canada has published revised *Standards for the Construction, Inspection, and Operation of Barges Carrying Oil or Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk* (TP 11960). The updated standards, TP 11960E are available at <http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/marinesafety/tp-tp11960-menu-375.htm>.

## *Scope*

The revised standard applies to new and existing Canadian barges and non-Canadian barges carrying oil or dangerous chemicals in Canadian waters.

## *What you need to know*

Transport Canada updated the standards TP 11960 to:

- Provide a single reference document that presents all safety and environmental protection requirements and standards that apply to barges carrying oil and/or dangerous chemicals in Canada.
- Provide requirements for the carriage of cargo on deck along with oil or dangerous chemicals in bulk.
- Explain towing and operational requirements; and
- Provide guidance for support barges, barges that serve as oil or dangerous chemical storage facilities, or are not primarily designed to carry oil.

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