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- 7507. Authority to extend the duration of licenses, certificates of registry, and merchant mariner documents.
- 7508. Authority to extend the duration of medical certificates.

### Amendments

2012—Pub. L. 112-213, title III, §306(b), Dec. 20, 2012, 126 Stat. 1565, added item 7508.

2010—Pub. L. 111–281, title VI, 615(b), Oct. 15, 2010, 124 Stat. 2972, added item 7507.

1996—Pub. L. 104-324, title VII, §745(b), Oct. 19, 1996, 110 Stat. 3943, added item 7506.

1990—Pub. L. 101-380, title IV, §4105(c), Aug. 18, 1990, 104 Stat. 513, added item 7505.

1986—Pub. L. 99-640, §10(b)(2)(B), Nov. 10, 1986, 100 Stat. 3550, added item 7504.

## §7501. Duplicates

(a) If a license, certificate of registry, or merchant mariner's document issued under this part is lost as a result of a marine casualty, the holder shall be supplied with a duplicate without cost.

(b) For any other loss, the seaman may obtain a duplicate on payment of reasonable costs prescribed by regulation by the Secretary.

(Pub. L. 98-89, Aug. 26, 1983, 97 Stat. 545; Pub. L. 99-36, §1(a)(9)(C), May 15, 1985, 99 Stat. 68.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source section (U.S. Code)
7501	46:643(h)

Section 7501(a) provides that if a license, certificate or document issued to an individual is lost due to a marine casualty, the individual will be supplied with a duplicate without cost.

Subsection (b) provides that if a license, certificate or document is lost for any reason other than a marine casualty, the seaman must pay a reasonable cost for the replacement.

### Amendments

1985—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99–36 substituted "certificate of registry, or merchant mariner's document" for "certificate, or document".

# §7502. Records

(a) The Secretary shall maintain records, including electronic records, on the issuances, denials, suspensions, and revocations of licenses, certificates of registry, merchant mariners' documents, and endorsements on those licenses, certificates, and documents.

(b) The Secretary may prescribe regulations requiring a vessel owner or managing operator of a commercial vessel, or the employer of a seaman on that vessel, to maintain records of each individual engaged on the vessel subject to inspection under chapter 33 on matters of engagement, discharge, and service for not less than 5 years after the date of the completion of the service of that individual on the vessel. The regulations may require that a vessel owner, managing operator, or employer shall make these records available to the individual and the Coast Guard on request.

(c) A person violating this section, or a regulation prescribed under this section, is liable to the United States Government for a civil penalty of not more than \$5,000.

(Pub. L. 98-89, Aug. 26, 1983, 97 Stat. 545; Pub. L. 101-380, title IV, §4114(e), Aug. 18, 1990, 104 Stat. 517; Pub. L. 111-281, title VI, §605, Oct. 15, 2010, 124 Stat. 2967.)

## HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source section (U.S. Code)
7502	46:414 46:643(f)

Section 7502 requires the Secretary to maintain records on the issuances, denials, suspensions, and revocations of licenses, certificates of registry, merchant mariner's documents, and endorsements.

## AMENDMENTS

Pub. L. 111–281 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), substituted "records, including electronic records," for "computerized records", and added subsecs. (b) and (c).

1990—Pub. L. 101–380 substituted "maintain computerized records" for "maintain records".

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 101-380 applicable to incidents occurring after Aug. 18, 1990, see section 1020 of Pub. L. 101-380, set out as an Effective Date note under section 2701 of Title 33, Navigation and Navigable Waters.

# §7503. Dangerous drugs as grounds for denial

[(a) Repealed. Pub. L. 101-380, title IV, §4103(a)(2)(B), Aug. 18, 1990, 104 Stat. 511.]

(b) A license, certificate of registry, or merchant mariner's document authorized to be issued under this part may be denied to an individual who—

(1) within 10 years before applying for the license, certificate, or document, has been convicted of violating a dangerous drug law of the United States or of a State; or

(2) when applying, has ever been a user of, or addicted to, a dangerous drug unless the individual provides satisfactory proof that the individual is cured.

(Pub. L. 98-89, Aug. 26, 1983, 97 Stat. 545; Pub. L. 99-36, §1(a)(9)(D), May 15, 1985, 99 Stat. 68; Pub. L. 101-380, title IV, §4103(a)(2)(B), Aug. 18, 1990, 104 Stat. 511.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

	Revised section	Source section (U.S. Code)
7503(a)		46:239a(a) 46:239b(a)

Section 7503 provides that the issuance of a license, certificate, or document may be denied by the Secretary to any individual who has been convicted, within 10 years, of violating a dangerous drug law of the United States or to any individual who has been a user of a dangerous drug, unless the individual provides satisfactory proof of being cured. This includes PCP and LSD. See also the note to section 7704. However, the Secretary may deny issuing a license, certificate or document to the individual who has used or been convicted of a "controlled substance" such as LSD if that use or conviction occurred before the date of enactment of this Act.

### Amendments

1990—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 101-380 repealed subsec. (a) which defined "dangerous drug" for purpose of this sec-