

# FIFTH COAST GUARD DISTRICT ENFORCEMENT REPORT



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## **List of Abbreviations**

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CFVS – Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety	SAR – Search and Rescue
HC-130 – USCG Fixed-Wing Aircraft	WLB – 225’ Buoy Tender
WPB – 87’ Patrol Boat	P/C – Pleasure Craft
STA – USCG Small Boat Station	F/V – Fishing Vessel
EPIRB – Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon	A/S – Air Station
WMEC – 210’ or 270’ Medium Endurance Cutter	SEC - Sector
M/V – Motor Vessel	M/T – Motor Tanker
FRC – 154’ Fast Response Cutter	

# I. Mid-Atlantic Fisheries Enforcement and Marine Protected Species Operations

## Operations Summary

During this period, major cutters, patrol boats and stations conducted fisheries patrols in the Mid-Atlantic in an effort to curtail illegal fishing and promote safety of life at sea within D5’s AOR. Throughout this period, units conducted 178 boarding’s.

## Boarding Statistics (Note: “This Period” data should be considered preliminary and is subject to change)

<u>01 October 2019 – 25 November 2019 Activities</u>	<u>Comparison to FY19</u>
Fisheries Boarding’s .....	178..... 201
Fisheries Boarding’s w/Fishery Violations.....	8..... 18
Violation Rate .....	4.4%.....8.9%
<u>Activities Fiscal Year 2020</u>	<u>Comparison to FY19</u>
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Fisheries Boarding’s w/Fishery Violations.....	8..... 18
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## Violation Summary

CGC LAWRENCE LAWSON issued 01 EAR violation for illegal gear configuration. The commercial fishing vessel was cited for fishing with the dredge and distance between minor appendage and the cutting bar less than 12 inches. Also, units under Sector Delaware Bays control cited 7 different boaters with illegally possessing striped bass in the EEZ. Those case packages are currently being reviewed before being released to NOAA OLE.

## Marine Protected Species Support Summary

1. Operation RIGHT SPEED began on 01 November. This seasonal operation is primarily for Sector Command Center watchstanders, and targets vessels 65’ or greater exceeding speed restrictions through migratory whale zones.

## II. Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety Efforts

(October 1, 2019 –November 25, 2019)

Fishing Vessel Dockside Safety Examinations.....	This Period.....	Fiscal Year to Date
Dockside Exams.....	25.....	25
Decals Issued .....	22.....	22
Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety Terminations.....	02.....	02

## III. Search and Rescue Highlights

From October 1, 2019 – November 25, 2019, there were 17 marine casualties reported involving commercial fishing vessels:

- Allision – 0
- Capsize – 0
- Collision – 0
- Damage to Environment (Pollution/Hazmat) – 4
  - SHARON G II (O.N. 650401) 02 NOV 19 – F/V SHARON G II was taking on water and discharging hydraulic oil into the water creating a sheen observed by the USCGC VIGOROUS.
  - BETTY RAE II (O.N. 583093) 03 NOV 19 – F/V BETTY RAE II was found partly submerged in the water at the Somers Cove Marina and discharged diesel fuel into the water.
  - FISHERMAN’S DREAM (O.N. 553468) 18 NOV 19 – F/V FISHERMAN’S DREAM discharged approximately 40 gals of diesel fuel into the water resulting from a failed transfer hose.
  - MD9199CH (O.N. MD9199CH) 19 NOV 19 – F/V MD9199CH discharged approximately 1 gallon of oily bilge water into Town Creek.
- Death – 0
- Fire – 1
  - EAGLE (O.N. 1055423) 03 OCT 19 – the F/V EAGLE caught fire from an unknown source.
- Flooding – 0
- Fouling – 0
- Grounding – 1
  - NC6439AB (O.N. NC6439AB) 02 OCT 19 – The F/V NC6439AB grounded while towing a S/V.
- Injury – 3
  - MISS LESLIE (O.N. 1037848) 01 NOV 19 – NMFS observer onboard the F/V MISS LESLIE fell overboard, hitting his head and showed signs of a concussion.

- VENGENGE (O.N. 608464) 07 NOV 19 – NMFS observer onboard the F/V VENGENGE fell overboard, hitting his head and showed signs of a concussion.
- JOANN B (O.N. 508901) 20 NOV 19 – a crewmember onboard the F/V JOANN B suffered swelling of his left hand while working on the deck.
- Loss of Propulsion/Steering – 4
  - CAPT CARL (O.N. 596153) 09 OCT 19 – F/V CAPT CARL became disabled due to blown head gasket on main engine.
  - JUST ONE MORE (O.N. 924092) – 09 OCT 19 - F/V JUST ONE MORE became disabled as a result of a transmission failure.
  - LANDON BLAKE (O.N. 974746) 13 OCT 19 – F/V LANDON BLAKE became disabled resulting from the rudder key backing out of the keyway in the rudder post.
  - PACIFICS (O.N. 1026244) 21 OCT 19 – F/V PACIFICS became disabled due to thumping sounds coming from the main engine.
- MEDEVAC – 1
  - CAPT JIMMY (O.N. CG1302117) 28 OCT 19 – a crewmember onboard the F/V CAPT JIMMY was MEDVAC due to tingling and numbness in his left arm.
- Fall(s) Overboard – 1
  - MISS LESLIE (O.N. 1037848) 01 NOV 19 – NMFS observer onboard the F/V MISS LESLIE fell overboard.
- Sinking – 0
- Terminations – 2
  - EVERETT GENE (O.N. 622692) 14 NOV 2019- F/V EVERETT GENE was terminated due to inoperable fire extinguishers, not properly serviced buoyant apparatus, and expired flares.
  - STACEY LYNN (O.N. MD6833DB) 19 NOV 2019 – F/V STACEY LYNN was terminated due to not properly registered EPIRB, expired EPIRB hydrostatic release, insufficient number of PFDs, life raft not properly serviced, and expired hydrostatic release for life raft.

## **IV. Outreach - CFVS Information**

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