

## **KSC, TITLE 14. THE SEA & TRANSPORTATION**

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##### **Section 14.1101. Jurisdiction.**

This chapter provides for the exercise of the State's power to the full extent allowed by law. To the extent that a matter treated by this chapter is within the exclusive jurisdiction of the national government the Governor through a written understanding with the national government provides for:

- (1) enforcement of the matter by the national government; and
- (2) a procedure for authorizing the entry of vessels into State or territorial waters.

##### **Section 14.1102. Permission to enter.**

Except for innocent passage, stress of weather or force majeure, an unauthorized vessel may not enter or remain within territorial waters or State waters without first receiving permission to enter pursuant to this chapter and the procedure established pursuant to [Section 14.1101\(2\)](#).

##### **Section 14.1103. Innocent passage.**

This chapter does not affect the right of innocent passage through territorial waters. Passage is not innocent when a vessel makes use of territorial waters to do an act prejudicial to the security, public policy or economic interests of the State or the Federation.

##### **Section 14.1104. Examination of unauthorized vessel.**

Regarding an unauthorized vessel the Government may at any time:

- (1) board it when found within State waters;
- (2) if there is reason to suspect that the vessel is violating law, examine the manifest and other documents and papers;
- (3) inspect and search the vessel and each person and object on board; and
- (4) hail and stop the vessel, and use all necessary force to compel compliance.

##### **Section 14.1105. Examination of hovering vessel.**

- (1) Regarding a hovering vessel the Government may:
  - (a) board and examine the vessel at any time;
  - (b) examine, upon oath, the master or other person having command or charge of the vessel regarding the cargo and voyage of the vessel;

(c) bring the vessel into the most convenient State port to examine the cargo.

(2) If upon examination of a vessel, its master, officers, crew members, passengers or cargo the Government finds sufficient evidence that a person has committed an unlawful act within territorial waters or State waters or is planning to engage in an unlawful act, the vessel and the persons so engaged are subject to the penalties provided by law.