

WAC 317-40-070 Pretransfer conference. (1) Before any oil is transferred during bunkering, the receiving vessel's person in charge and the delivering vessel's or facility's person in charge shall hold a pretransfer conference as required under 33 C.F.R. Sec. 156.120. The persons in charge shall meet in person onboard either vessel or at the facility unless the receiving vessel's master determines it is unsafe under WAC 317-40-050(6). The persons in charge shall:

(a) State and discuss the contents of the declaration of inspection required under 33 C.F.R. Sec. 156.150;

(b) Discuss procedures for informing the delivering vessel's or facility's person in charge before the receiving vessel changes over tanks or begins topping off; and

(c) Discuss emergency shutdown procedures and identify each vessel's means to shut down the transfer in an emergency.

(2) The receiving vessel's person in charge shall identify for the delivering vessel's or facility's person in charge those personnel designated as point-of-transfer watch and deck-rover watch.

(3) A receiving vessel may not receive bunkers unless a person proficient in English and a language common to the vessel's officers and crew is present at the pretransfer conference. The receiving vessel's owner or operator shall provide an interpreter proficient in English and a language common to the vessel's officers and crew at the request of the office, the delivering vessel's or facility's person in charge, or the U.S. Coast Guard.

(4) If the delivering vessel's person-in-charge is not satisfied with the receiving vessel's representative's English proficiency, he or she shall request an interpreter.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 88.46.170 and 43.21I.030. WSR 94-16-076, § 317-40-070, filed 7/29/94, effective 10/29/94.]