

**115-30-12. Marine sanitation devices; vessel requirements.** (a) Each person owning, operating, launching, mooring, docking, or using any vessel equipped with a marine sanitation device on the waters of the state shall meet the following requirements:

(1) Ensure that all valves capable of allowing the discharge of sewage into the water are locked in a closed position by the use of a nonreleasing locking device approved by the department or by removing the handle of the valve after the valve has been placed in the closed position; and

(2) make any necessary modifications to securely lock any overboard sewage discharge valve into the closed position or use any other means listed in paragraph (a)(1).

(b) No person may alter or remove any department-approved locking device once installed by a department employee or authorized agent of the department, unless the person notifies the department in writing before the alteration or removal and includes the following information:

(1) The vessel's registration number or documentation number;

(2) the vessel's hull identification number;

(3) the vessel owner's name and address;

(4) the purpose for altering or removing the locking device; and

(5) the name of the individual or business performing the alteration or removal.

(c) This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2008. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-1103; effective Jan. 1, 2008.)