- **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.