

MMSI Working Group Summary Record

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Time / Date: Wednesday, 25 October, 1:30 PM until 3:20 PM EDT

Location: Virtual

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1. **Welcome, changes to and approval of the agenda**
2. **Summary record and consequential actions from September 14th MMSI Working Group meeting**
3. **Action Items from last meeting (updated items in red)**

Action Item	Description	Assigned to	Action
11	Work with Shine Micro on FTP transfer of MMSI database to USCG. See also #30	Ed Thiedeman	USCG MISLE Business Relationship Manager and MISLE Sponsors Rep, who “manage and prioritize the work for MISLE and have these issues on their plate to address.”
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22	Indicate how SAR controllers can access Shine Micro MMSI database - We have taken the action item regarding the process to USCG watchstanders for contacting us directly. Shine Micro provides direct access; will provide instructions to USCG	Shine Micro	Completed
28	Can USCG AUX provide MMSI registration info at boat shows or assist educator boaters with MMSI registration in some other way? Jim Cortes, National Director, Vessel Examination and Program Visitation	Brian Moore	Include MMSI info at Boat Shows. Keep open. Include factsheet process to sell a boat. Include dealers who sell the boat equipped. QR code to NAVCEN MMSI page. Instagram account (like National Park Service); used by non-profits, not USCG Boating Safety.
30	Check why USPS registration above 338439375 not being received by Coast Guard	Gene Danko	USCG MISLE Business Relationship Manager and

	Provide Estimated time to complete software upgrade		MISLE Sponsors Rep, who “manage and prioritize the work for MISLE and have these issues on their plate to address.”
31	Generate requirements process for USCG MMSI database	Ed Thiedeman	In process, problem statement completed. Interim database in 2-3 years if approved. Continue
35	Develop CONOPS Requirements for MMSI use and format	Ed Thiedeman	In process Continue
36	Consider new NMEA 2000 PGN for retrieving, validating and resetting own-ship MMSI	Lee Luft and Ray Novak	In preliminary draft, not yet reviewed by manufacturers. Continue
37	Develop MMSI enforcement plan	Joe Hersey w/ FCC/USCG	Drafted, in review by FCC. Continue
38	Update USCG and FCC webpage to note process for transferring MMSI from users expired license to current license	Joe Hersey and Katie Knox	Completed.
39	Update FCC maritime webpage to simplify procedures for obtaining ship station license (forms oriented now)	Katie Knox	Completed.
44	Bring MMSI registration before National Association of State Boating Law Administrators and other relevant boating education councils	Brian Moore	Continue. Attend upcoming meetings. Lexington KY and NOLA.
46	Provide comparison of MOU-mandated MMSI fields with actually provided fields. USCG provide MISLE MMSI fields. Redo File comparison side-by-side	Joe	Completed. Comparison of MOU-mandated fields with MISLE
48	Provide the USCG a list of transferred MMSIs (MMSIs outside the block allocated to BOAT US) that could be included in the MMSI allocation table posted at USCG NAVCEN .	BOAT US	Next meeting Continue
49	Add webpage “How to I test my DSC radio”? Consider including position report request	Joe	Added Performing a VHF Marine Radio Check (MSIB 20-20) to webpage
50	Fix FAQ #5	Gene Danko	Completed
51	Fix FAQ #6 and 7	Gene, Katie and David	Completed
52	Provide procedures for transferring MMSIs from FCC to BOAT US, including what is required	David Kennedy	Next meeting On website

4. Proposed new FAQ page for USCG MMSI webpages

- [Draft Frequently Asked Questions](#)

FAQ Page questions 1 through 6 were reviewed and agreed, and will be posted with the MMSI webpages at NAVCEN. It was agreed that question 7 be simplified, and new questions 8 and 9 were added and will be reviewed at the next meeting.

5. Education and reaching out

- Guidelines for including MMSI transfer in boat Bill of Sale by brokers (AI 4)
- Courtesy boating inspection checklist (AI 20)
- Other matters

These issues were discussed under Action Items 20, 28 and 44 above.

6. Any other matters

7. Action Items for next meeting

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53	Consider including Army MMSIs into MISLE, and Army access to MISLE	Jim Conrad	
54	Identify Navy MMSI POC and determine accessibility to MMSI database	Ron Blackmore, assist by Jim Conrad	
55	Identify means to sort BOAT US MMSIs ending in zero in MISLE	Patrick Gallagher	
56	Revise FAQ #7 and add #8 and #9	Joe Hersey,	

8. Scheduling next meeting

Wednesday 17 January at 1:30 PM EDT (day before GMDSS Task Force)

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