

**571—20.1(462A) Definitions.** As used in this chapter, unless the context clearly requires a different meaning:

*“At retail”* means to dispose of a vessel to a person who will devote it to a consumer use.

*“Beam or width”* means the transverse distance between the outer sides of the boat at the widest point excluding handles and other similar fittings, attachments, and extensions.

*“Capacity plate”* means the U.S. Coast Guard capacity plate bearing the information required by federal regulations governing boats and associated equipment. It shall not mean capacity plate information furnished by the boating industry association, national marine manufacturers association, or any similar organization.

*“Department”* means department of natural resources.

*“Essential parts”* means all integral and body parts of a vessel required to be titled under Iowa Code chapter 462A, the removal, alteration, or substitution of which would tend to conceal the identity of the vessel or substantially alter its appearance, model, type, or mode or method of operation.

*“Length”* means the straight line horizontal measurement of the overall length from the foremost part of the boat to the aftermost part of the boat, measured from end to end over the deck excluding sheer, and measured parallel to the centerline. Bow sprits, bumpkins, rudders, outboard motor brackets, handles, and other similar fittings, attachments, and extensions are not included in the measurement.

*“Manufacturer’s certificate of origin”* means a certification signed by the manufacturer or importer that the vessel described has been transferred to the person or dealer named and that the transfer is the first transfer of the vessel in ordinary trade or commerce. The terms “manufacturer’s certificate,” “importer’s certificate,” “manufacturer’s statement,” “MSO,” and “MCO” shall be synonymous with the term “manufacturer’s certificate of origin.”

*“New vessel”* means every vessel that has not been sold at retail and not previously titled in this state or any other state.

*“Person”* means an individual, partnership, firm, corporation, or association.

*“Reconstructed vessel”* means every vessel of a type required to be titled under Iowa Code chapter 462A materially altered by the removal, addition, or substitution of essential parts, new or used.

*“Specially constructed vessel”* means every vessel of a type required to be titled under Iowa Code chapter 462A, not originally constructed under a distinctive name, make, model, or type by a generally recognized manufacturer of vessels and not materially altered from its original construction.

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