

**U.S. COAST GUARD – SECTOR BALTIMORE
Abandoned Vessel Reporting Worksheet**

ABANDONED VESSEL EVALUATION MATRIX

RANK	HULL CONDITION	POSITION IN WATER	HOW SECURED	NAVIGN HAZARD	PUBLIC SAFETY	PUBLIC VISIBILITY
5	Sunk or broken up and no longer is seaworthy	Severe list (30 degrees or more) and/or sunk or aground	Adrift or is not secure	In middle of navigable waterway (i.e., a traffic lane)	Leaking oil or hazardous materials. Unrestricted public access onto vessel	Near large city, clearly visible to many people
4	Visible holes in hull, vessel bottomed in shoal water	Listing or still upright, but low enough to bottom during low tide	Not secure but not adrift (grounded or beached). Mooring lines parting	In middle of high-traffic area, such as approach to large marinas or ports	Multiple containers of unknown materials visible on vessel. Limited access to vessel	Near smaller city, clearly visible to many people
3	Wooden hull or other hull in poor condition	Riding noticeably low in water, but floating free	Moored or anchored securely	In middle of moderate traffic area (approaches to smaller marinas or ports)	Could potentially carry large amounts of fuel or hazardous materials. Limited access by public	Offshore near large city, mainly visible from water or private property
2	Steel, aluminum or fiberglass hull, rusted or aged	Sitting slightly low in water, but appears to be floating free	Moored or anchored securely	Near limited vessel traffic	Does not likely contain much fuel or hazardous material. Not very accessible to public	Offshore near smaller city, mainly visible from water or private property
1	Steel, aluminum or fiberglass hull in good condition	Floating with normal freeboard	Tied securely to dock with sound lines	Away from vessel traffic	Known to be clean, not accessible to public	Offshore and away from public view, not within a populated area