

**TITLE 3: HUMAN RESOURCES**  
**DIVISION 5: PUBLIC SAFETY**

**§ 5431. Prohibitions.**

(a) No person may buy, receive, operate, possess, sell or dispose of a vessel with knowledge that an identification number on the vessel has been removed or falsified and with intent to avoid compliance with this chapter or to conceal or misrepresent the identity of the vessel or its owner.

(b) No person may remove or falsify a vessel identification number or affix to a vessel an identification number not authorized by law for use on it in either case to avoid compliance with this chapter or to conceal or misrepresent the identity of the vessel or its owner.

(c) No person may, with fraudulent intent, permit another not entitled thereto to use or have possession of a certificate of number.

(d) No person may alter, forge or counterfeit a certificate of number.

(e) No person may have possession of or use a certificate of number knowing it to have been altered, forged or counterfeited.

(f) No person may use a false or fictitious name or address or make a false statement or conceal any material fact, in an application for a certificate of number or its transfer.

**Source:** PL 3-25, § 14.