

Navy and Coast Guard Ships Associated with Service in Vietnam and Exposure to Herbicide Agents

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Background

This ships list is intended to provide VA regional offices with a resource for determining whether a particular US Navy or Coast Guard Veteran of the Vietnam era is eligible for the presumption of Agent Orange herbicide exposure based on operations of the Veteran's ship.

According to 38 CFR § 3.307(a)(6)(iii), eligibility for the presumption of Agent Orange exposure requires that a Veteran's military service involved "duty or visitation in the Republic of Vietnam" between January 9, 1962 and May 7, 1975. This includes service within the country of Vietnam itself or aboard a ship that operated on the inland waterways of Vietnam. However, this does not include service aboard a large ocean-going ship that operated only on the offshore waters of Vietnam, unless evidence shows that a Veteran went ashore. Inland waterways include rivers, canals, estuaries, and deltas. They do not include open deep-water bays and harbors such as those at Da Nang Harbor, Qui Nhon Bay Harbor, Nha Trang Harbor, Cam Ranh Bay Harbor, Vung Tau Harbor, or Ganh Rai Bay. These are considered to be part of the offshore waters of Vietnam because of their deep-water anchorage capabilities and open access to the South China Sea.

In order to promote consistent application of the term "inland waterways", VA has determined that Ganh Rai Bay and Qui Nhon Bay Harbor are no longer considered to be inland waterways, but rather are considered open water bays. This is a change from previous policy. As of February 2, 2016, new ships will not be added to the list based on operations in those locations and no additional dates for operations in those locations will be added to those ships already on the list. Veterans who served aboard ships already on the list for those locations will retain the presumption of Agent Orange exposure. New Veteran claimants who were aboard ships in those locations, during the dates already on the list, will also qualify for the presumption of exposure. This presumption will extend to all future disability claims from these Veterans. However, Veterans who were aboard ships in those locations, during new dates not currently on the list, will not qualify for the presumption. Likewise, Veterans aboard new ships in those locations will not qualify for the presumption of exposure.

Ship Categories

The list contains five categories of ships that operated on the waters of Vietnam. A Ship is placed on this list when documentary evidence shows that it fits into a particular category. The required evidence can come from an official ship history, deck logs, cruise books, Captain's letters, or similar documents. A specific ship may be listed in more than one category, based on its activities. Evidence requirements for the presumption of Agent Orange exposure may vary depending on what dates the Veteran was aboard and what ship activity occurred on those dates. Ship categories include:

I. Ships operating primarily or exclusively on Vietnam's inland waterways

This category includes smaller naval vessels involved with patrolling and interdicting enemy activity on the inland waterways of Vietnam. It also includes ships supplying and supporting those operations. Examples of such vessels include swift boats, river patrol boats, and LSTs [landing ship, tank]. The inland waterways are often referred to as "brown waters" because of their muddy color and the naval vessels operating on them are referred to as the Brown Water Navy and/or the Mobile Riverine Force. All Veterans who served aboard these

vessels are eligible for the presumption of Agent Orange exposure because their primary service was on the inland waterways of Vietnam.

II. Ships operating temporarily on Vietnam's inland waterways

This category includes large ocean-going ships that operated primarily on Vietnam's offshore waters for gunfire support of ground operations and interdiction of enemy vessels travelling along coastal waters. It also includes ships supplying and supporting these operations. Examples of such vessels include destroyers, cruisers, and cargo ships. The deep offshore waters are often referred to as "blue waters" and naval vessels operating on them are referred to as the Blue Water Navy. Ships in this category entered Vietnam's inland waterways temporarily as part of their gunfire, interdiction, or support missions. All Veterans who served aboard these vessels at the time of entry into Vietnam's inland waterways are eligible for the presumption of Agent Orange exposure.

III. Ships that docked to shore or pier in Vietnam

This category includes large ocean-going ships of the Blue Water Navy that entered an open water harbor and docked to a pier or otherwise docked to the shore of Vietnam. As a result of this docking, it is assumed that crewmembers had the opportunity to go ashore for a work detail or for liberty leave. Therefore, any Veteran aboard the ship at the time of docking will be eligible for the presumption of exposure if that Veteran provides a lay statement of personally going ashore.

IV. Ships operating on Vietnam's close coastal waters for extended periods with evidence that crew members went ashore

This category includes large ocean-going ships of the Blue Water Navy that conducted a variety of missions along the close coastal waters of Vietnam for extended periods of time. Documentary evidence has been obtained for all ships in this category showing that some crewmembers actually went ashore. Examples of such vessels include hospital ships, harbor repair ships, mine sweepers, and seaplane tenders. Also included are combat ships, such as destroyers, when evidence shows that crewmembers went ashore. Because shore activity of some crewmembers has been documented, any Veteran aboard the ship at the time of documented shore activity will be eligible for the presumption of exposure if that Veteran provides a lay statement of personally going ashore.

V. Ships operating on Vietnam's close coastal waters for extended periods with evidence that smaller craft from the ship regularly delivered supplies or troops ashore

This category includes large ocean-going ships of the Blue Water Navy that conducted supply missions to Vietnam or transported troops into and out of the country through use of smaller landing craft housed within the mother ship. Examples of such vessels include attack cargo ships, amphibious attack transports, and landing ship docks. The smaller landing vessels within these ships required a crew of from 3 to 14, depending on size, as they ferried supplies or troops to and from shore. Although official documents show that some crewmembers went ashore with the landing craft, they do not generally provide the names of these crewmembers. Additionally, many of these ships are listed for extended time frames because they routinely travelled back and forth between the US and Vietnam, and between Vietnam and other Asian Pacific ports, as they delivered supplies and troops to Vietnam. Therefore, military records should be checked to ensure that the Veteran was aboard when the ship was in Vietnamese waters (as shown by a PIES O34 request). Any Veteran aboard the mother ship during the time frame of offshore Vietnam landing craft activity will be eligible for the presumption of exposure if that Veteran provides a lay statement of personally going ashore with the landing craft.

Locating Ships on the List

In addition to its name, all US Navy and Coast Guard vessels are assigned letters and numbers, usually painted on the forward hull of the ship, that identify the ship type and the numerical order in which it was built. Ships on this list are arranged by these letter-number designations. Vessels within each category are arranged alphabetically by the ship type letter designations and then numerically by hull numbers within that ship type. As an example, for the USS Ingersoll (DD-652), “DD” represents the “destroyer” ship type and the number shows that this is the 652nd destroyer built for sea service. A computer search for specific ship names or letter-number designations can be done with the “Find” function located in the drop down menu of the toolbar “Edit” function.

This list is evolving and is not complete. Therefore, the presumption of Agent Orange exposure should not be denied solely because the Veteran’s ship is not on this list. All development described in the procedures manual should be followed in cases involving ship activity, including sending a request to the Army and Joint Services Records Research Center for review of deck logs. When regional office personnel obtain evidence showing that a ship fits into any of these categories, the evidence should be forwarded to the Compensation Service Agent Orange Mailbox so that the ship can be added to the list [VAVBAWAS/CO/211/AGENTORANGE].

SHIPS LIST

USS Anchorage (LSD-36) information is a larger font and highlighted in blue See Sections II and V

I. Ships operating primarily or exclusively on Vietnam’s inland waterways

All vessels referred to in military records as part of the “Mobile Riverine Force”

All vessels with the designation AGP [Assault Group Patrol/Patrol Craft Tender]

All vessels with the designation LCM [Landing Craft, Mechanized]

All vessels with the designation LCU [Landing Craft, Utility]

All vessels with the designation LCVP [Landing Craft, Vehicle, Personnel]

All vessels with the designation LST [Landing Ship, Tank]

All vessels with the designation PBR [Patrol Boat, River]

All vessels with the designation PCF [Patrol Craft, Fast or Swift Boat]

All vessels with the designation STABS [Strike Assault Boats]

All vessels with the designation YFU [Harbor Utility Craft]

All U.S. Coast Guard Cutters with hull designation WPB [Patrol Boat], WHEC [High Endurance Cutter], WLB [Buoy Tender], and WAK [Cargo Vessel] during their Vietnam tours

All vessels of Inshore Fire Support [IFS] Division 93, including:

USS Carronade (IFS 1)

USS Clarion River (LSMR 409) [Landing Ship, Medium, Rocket]

USS Francis River (LSMR 525)

USS White River (LSMR 536)

All vessels with hull designation PG [Patrol Gunboat], including:

USS Asheville (PG-84)

USS Gallop (PG-85)

USS Antelope (PG-86)

USS Ready (PG-87)

USS Crockett (PG-88)

USS Marathon (PG-89)

USS Canon (PG-90)

USS Welch (PG-93)

USS Mark (AKL-12) [Light Cargo Ship]

USS Brule (AKL-28)

USS Cohoes (AN-78) [Net laying ship]

USS Patapsco (AOG-1) [Gasoline Tanker]

USS Elkhorn (AOG-7)

[USS Genesee \(AOG-8\)](#)
[USS Kishwaukee \(AOG-9\)](#)
[USS Tombigbee \(AOG-11\)](#)
[USS Noxubee \(AOG-56\)](#)
[USS Montrose \(APA-212\)](#) [Attack Transport]
[USS Okanogan \(APA-220\)](#)
[USS Bexar \(APA-237\)](#)
[USS Benewah \(APB-35\)](#) [Self-Propelled Barracks Ship]
[USS Colleton \(APB-36\)](#)
[USS Mercer \(APB-39\)](#)
[USS Nueces \(APB-40\)](#)
[Barracks Barge \(APL-26\)](#) [Sleeping Quarters]
[Barracks Barge \(APL-30\)](#)
[USS Tutuila \(ARG-4\)](#) [Repair Ship]
[USS Satyr \(ARL-23\)](#) [Repair Ship]
[USS Sphinx \(ARL-24\)](#)
[USS Askari \(ARL-30\)](#)
[USS Indra \(ARL-37\)](#)
[USS Krishna \(ARL-38\)](#)
[USS Belle Grove \(LSD-2\)](#) [Landing Ship Dock]
[USS Comstock \(LSD-19\)](#)
[USS Tortuga \(LSD-26\)](#)
[Floating Base Platform \(YRBM-16\)](#) [Repair, Berthing, and Messing Barge]
[Floating Base Platform \(YRBM-17\)](#)
[Floating Base Platform \(YRBM-18\)](#)
[Floating Base Platform \(YRBM-20\)](#)
[Floating Base Platform \(YRBM-21\)](#)
[USN Harbor Tug 84 \(YTB-84\)](#)
[USN Harbor Tug 85 \(YTB-85\)](#)
[USN Winnemucca \(YTB-785\)](#)
[USS Kalispell \(YTB-784\)](#)

II. Ships operating temporarily on Vietnam's inland waterways

[USS Card \(ACV-11\)](#) [Escort Aircraft Carrier] mined, sunk, and salvaged in Saigon River Harbor during May 1964
[USS Core \(ACV-13\)](#) travelled on Saigon River to delivered aircraft to Saigon during June 1965
[USS Bennington \(CVS-20\)](#) [Anti-Submarine Aircraft Carrier] entered Qui Nhon Bay Harbor to pick up Bob Hope for onboard Christmas show on December 26, 1966
[USS Surfbird \(ADG-383\)](#) [Degaussing Ship] conducted anti-mine degaussing operation for ships on Qui Nhon Bay during November 1967 and August 1969 (see other category)
[USS Wrangell \(AE-12\)](#) [Auxiliary Explosive, Ammunition Ship] entered Mekong River Delta to supply ammunition for US Coast Guard vessel on November 21, 1968
[USS Firedrake \(AE-14\)](#) operated on Ganh Rai Bay during April 1966
[USS Pictor \(AF-54\)](#) [Auxiliary Stores Ship] entered Cua Viet River while delivering supplies to Dong Ha during September 1967 (see other category)
[USS Vega \(AF-59\)](#) conducted resupply operations on Mekong River Delta September 13, 1966 (see other category)
[USS Mars \(AFS-1\)](#) [Combat Stores Ship] operated on Mekong River July 8, 1966
[USS Niagara Falls \(AFS-3\)](#) unloaded supplies on Saigon River and Cam Ranh Bay, April 22-25, 1968
[USS Arikara \(ATF-98\)](#) [Fleet Ocean Tug] assisted with salvage operations on Saigon River during August 1966 (see other category)
[USS Estes \(AGC-12\)](#) [Amphibious Force Flagship] entered Qui Nhon Bay during June 1965 and anchored in Mekong River during January 1967 (see other category)
[USS Tanner \(AGS-15\)](#) [Mapping Survey Ship] conducted surveys of Mekong River Delta and other coastal areas and rivers from October 1966 through 1968
[USS Maury \(AGS-16\)](#) conducted surveys of Mekong River Delta and other coastal areas and rivers from November 1965 through 1969
[USS Sheldrake \(AGS-19\)](#) conducted sounding surveys of Vietnam coastal and inland waterways October 1967 through March 1968
[USS Serrano \(AGS-24\)](#) conducted mapping surveys of Mekong River Delta and other coastal and river areas from 1966 through 1969
[USS Towhee \(AGS-28\)](#) conducted sounding surveys of Vietnam coastal and inland waterways October 1967 through March 1968
[USS Merrick \(AKA-97\)](#) [Attack Cargo Ship] participated in Operation Jackstay amphibious landings while on Saigon River during March 1966 (see other category)
[USS Seminole \(AKA/LKA-104\)](#) [Attack/Amphibious Cargo Ship] docked in Saigon during July 1962; operated on Saigon River channel on March 4, 1967; and entered Cua Viet River on May 26, 1967 (see other category)
[USS Union \(AKA/LKA-106\)](#) anchored in Hue River while conducting operations during April 1965 (see other category)
[USS St. Louis \(AKA/LKA-116\)](#) operated on Ganh Rai Bay during March 9, 1971 (see other category)
[USS Pollux \(AKS-4\)](#) [General Stores Ship] delivered supplies while in Ganh Rai Bay on April 4, 1966, June 14, August 16, and October 31, 1967, and January 5, March 14, April 5, May 29, June 18, August 5, and October 10, 1968
[USS Guadalupe \(AO-32\)](#) [Oiler] operated on Ganh Rai Bay during April 1966
[USS Kennebec \(AO-36\)](#) provided fuel to vessels while in Ganh Rai Bay during August 1969
[USS Ponchatoula \(AO-148\)](#) operated on Mekong River Delta during July 1971 (see other category)
[USS George Clymer \(APA-27\)](#) [Amphibious Attack Transport] navigated Saigon River to Saigon Port during January 1963 (see other category)
[USS Calvert \(APA-32\)](#) entered Qui Nhon Bay during October 1965 (see other category)
[USS Cavalier \(APA-37\)](#) entered Qui Nhon Bay on February 2, 1968 (see other category)
[USS Magoffin \(APA-199\)](#) entered Qui Nhon Bay to offload troops during October 23-24, 1965 (see other category)
[USS Talladega \(APA-208\)](#) operated on Saigon River during October 1967
[USS Navarro \(APA-215\)](#) transported Thai "Queen's Cobras" troops from Thailand to Saigon via Saigon River during September 1967 (see other category)
[USS Okanogan \(APA-220\)](#) navigated Saigon River to Saigon for delivery of Thai troops during August 1968 (see other category)

[USS Henry B. Wilson \(DDG-7\)](#) [Guided Missile Destroyer] operated on Mekong River Delta during May 1968 (see other category)
[USS Lynde McCormick \(DDG-8\)](#) operated on Cua Ham Loung River and Mekong River Delta during April 1966 and Mekong River Delta during March 1969
[USS Towers \(DDG-9\)](#) operated on Saigon River and Rung Sat Special Zone during July 1966
[USS Robison \(DDG-12\)](#) provided naval gunfire support for Operation Jockstay in Rung Sat Special Zone and Saigon River during April 1966
[USS Joseph Strauss \(DDG-16\)](#) operated on Mekong River Delta March 4, 1966 and Ganh Rai Bay during November 7 and December 7, 1968
[USS Goldsborough \(DDG-20\)](#) operated on Cua Dai River December 13, 1968 (see other category)
[USS Benjamin Stoddert \(DDG-22\)](#) operated on the Song Lang Nuog River December 24, 1965 and the Cua Viet River April 25, 1972 (see other category)
[USS Waddell \(DDG-24\)](#) operated on Saigon River during March 1966 and Cua Viet River during March 1967
[USS Duncan \(DDR-874\)](#) [Radar Picket Destroyer] operated on Saigon River during September and October 1965
[USS Falgout \(DER-324\)](#) [Radar Picket Ship] operated on Mekong River during June 1965 and entered Qui Nhon Bay as part of operation with PCFs interdicting junk traffic during May 1966
[USS Lowe \(DE-325\)](#) anchored in Saigon Harbor during April 1966
[USS Walton \(DE-361\)](#) travelled up Saigon River and docked in Saigon Harbor during March 1962
[USS Alvin C. Cockrell \(DE-366\)](#) anchored in Saigon Harbor for four days during May 1962
[USS McMorris \(DE-1036\)](#) entered Qui Nhon Bay during July 1965
[USS Davidson \(DE-1045\)](#) operated on Vung Ganh Rai and Rung Sat Special Zone of Mekong River Delta from September 16 to October 5, 1967 (see other category)
[USS Finch \(DER-328\)](#) [Destroyer Escort Radar] entered Qui Nhon Bay on January 20, 1966 and December 1967 (when crewmembers painted a Vietnamese orphanage)
[USS Kretchmer \(DER-329\)](#) entered Qui Nhon Bay during September and November 1965, June and August 1966, and April 1967
[USS Vance \(DER-387\)](#) entered Qui Nhon Bay on January 20, 1966
[USS Mahan \(DLG-11\)](#) [Guided Missile Frigate] visited Saigon via Saigon River October 24-28, 1962
[USS Vancouver \(LPD-2\)](#) [Amphibious Transport Dock] entered Qui Nhon Bay during September 11-12, 1971 (see other category)
[USS Iwo Jima \(LPH-2\)](#) [Landing Platform, Helicopter] entered Qui Nhon Bay in July 1965 (see other category)
[USS Princeton \(LPH-5\)](#) operated on Ganh Rai Bay during April 1966 (see other category)
[USS Valley Forge \(LPH-8\)](#) entered mouth of Hue River during December 1965 (see other category)
[USS Carter Hall \(LSD-3\)](#) [Landing Ship Dock] delivered supplies up Saigon River to Nha Be during March-May 1967 and June 1968 (see other category)
[USS Gunston Hall \(LSD-5\)](#) operated on Saigon River during April 1965 and March 1968 (see other category)
[USS Oak Hill \(LSD-7\)](#) conducted salvage operations for damaged swift boat on Ganh Hao River during July 1967 (see other category)
[USS Cabildo \(LSD-16\)](#) delivered equipment to Nha Be via the Long Tau River during June 1968
[USS Catamount \(LSD-17\)](#) travelled up Saigon River to Saigon during November 1962 and operated on Nha Be and Long Tau Rivers during April 1969 (see other category)
[USS Colonial \(LSD-18\)](#) travelled up Saigon River to Nha Be during April 1966 and June and September 1969 (see other category)
[USS Fort Marion \(LSD-22\)](#) navigated Saigon River to dock in Saigon during February 1966 (see other category)
[USS Whetstone \(LSD-27\)](#) anchored as long term "boat haven" for repairs of smaller vessels on Qui Nhon Bay during June-July 1965 (see other category)
[USS Thomaston \(LSD-28\)](#) conducted dredge lift on Saigon River during November 1964
[USS Point Defiance \(LSD-31\)](#) entered Qui Nhon Bay to deliver troops during July 1965; operated on Saigon River during March 1967; and conducted several operations on Saigon River to Saigon Port during October and November 1968 (see other category)
[USS Alamo \(LSD-33\)](#) landed Marines while at Qui Nhon Bay during July 1965 and at Rung Sat Special Zone during March-April 1966 (see other category)

USS Anchorage (LSD-36) transported troops and supplies into Qui Nhon Bay during June 1970 and January 1972 (see category V below)

[USS Catskill \(MCS/MSC-1\)](#) [Minesweeper-Coastal] entered Saigon River on March 18, 1970
[USS Woodpecker \(MSC-209\)](#) entered Qui Nhon Bay during May 1965
[USS Gannet \(MSC-290\)](#) operated on rivers of Mekong Delta at Vinh Long and Binh Thuy during May 1967
[USS Whippoorwill \(MSC-207\)](#) [Minesweeper-Ocean] entered Qui Nhon Bay repeatedly during July-August 1968 (see other category)
[USS Conflict \(MSO-426\)](#) [Minesweeper-Ocean] operated on Saigon River April 1, 1966 and Song Huong River (Perfume River) May 14, 1966 (see other category)
[USS Enhance \(MSO-437\)](#) entered Qui Nhon Bay repeatedly during October through November 1968 and January through February 1969
[USS Esteem \(MSO-438\)](#) crewmembers painted a Vietnamese orphanage while docked at Qui Nhon Bay during December 1967 and again during March 1969
[USS Fortify \(MSO-446\)](#) travelled up the Saigon River to Saigon September 19-22, 1964
[USS Illusive \(MSO-448\)](#) conducted training with Vietnamese Navy on Saigon River from January through March 1962
[USS Inflict \(MSO-456\)](#) travelled up the Saigon River to Saigon September 19-22, 1964
[USS Loyalty \(MSO-457\)](#) travelled up the Saigon River to Saigon September 19-22, 1964 (see other category)
[USS Conquest \(MSO-488\)](#) operated on Saigon River during 1962 and entered Qui Nhon Bay on January 29 and February 7-9, 1969
[USS Pledge \(MSO-492\)](#) entered Qui Nhon Bay on May 8, 15, and 21, 1971 (see other category)
[USS W. A. Mann \(T-AP-112\)](#) [Military Transport] entered Qui Nhon Bay August 23, 1965
[USS Breckinridge \(T-AP-176\)](#) entered Qui Nhon Bay September 16-17, 1965
[USS Geiger \(T-AP-197\)](#) entered Qui Nhon Bay November 23-26, 1965
[USNS General Hugh J. Gaffey \(T-AP-121\)](#) entered Qui Nhon Bay November 6-8, 1966
[USS Eaton \(DD-510\)](#) entered the mouth of the Saigon River in the Mekong River Delta on August 23, 1967
[USS William C. Lawe \(DD-763\)](#) – Operated on the mouth of the Cua Viet River on December 20, 1972
[USS Sample \(DE-1048\)](#) – Travelled on Cua Viet River on April 27, 1972
[USS Corry \(DD-817\)](#) – provided Naval gunfire support on the Mekong River on October 27, 1968 (see other category)

III. Ships that docked to shore or pier in Vietnam

[USS Samuel Gompers \(AD-37\)](#) [Destroyer Tender] multiple dockings to piers at

USS Firm (MSO-444) docked to pier at Da Nang November 26-30, 1969 and docked to piers at Cam Ranh Bay February-April, 1971
USS Force (MSO-445) while moored with other ships in Vung Tau Harbor, sent crew ashore for liberty leave March 3-7, 1967; and docked to pier at Cam Ranh Bay March 13-15, 1972 and Vung Tau April 25-May 3, 1972
USS Fortify (MSO-446) docked to pier at Cam Ranh Bay on September 30 and November 29, 1971
USS Guide (MSO-447) docked to pier at Cam Ranh Bay on September 30, 1971 (see other category)
USS Loyalty (MSO-457) docked to pier at Cam Ranh Bay on April 9 and 25, 1971 (see other category)
USS Lucid (MSO-458) docked to pier at Da Nang for off-loading and on-loading equipment during May 1967
USS Prime (MSO-466) docked to pier at Da Nang on February 16, 1967
USS Gallant (MSO-489) docked to pier at Da Nang during November 5-6, 1969
USS Leader (MSO-490) docked to pier at Cam Ranh Bay on November 30, 1968
USS Persistent (MSO-491) docked to piers at Da Nang and Cam Ranh Bay during October-December 1970
USS Pledge (MSO-492) docked to pier at Cam Ranh Bay intermittently during July 1967 and May-June 1971 (see other category)
USS Boston (CAG-1) – docked in-port at Da Nang Harbor on April 30th and May 17th, 1967
USS Grasp (ARS-24) – moored to the shore at Wunder Beach and Chu Lai on multiple occasions to repair seaload fuel lines in July and August 1968
USS Albatross (MSC-289) – docked to Junk Training Command Pier, Cam Ranh Bay, on July 22-25, 1964

IV. Ships operating on Vietnam's close coastal waters for extended periods with evidence that crew members went ashore

USS Isle Royale (AD-29) [Destroyer Tender-Repair Ship] salvaged the beached USS Mahnom County (LST-912) at Chu Lai during January 1967 with crewmembers going ashore for stripping operations
USS Surfbird (ADG-383) [Degaussing Ship] sent crew members ashore during anti-mine degaussing operations at Cam Ranh Bay, Vung Tau, Da Nang, and Con Son Island during September-November 1967; March-July and December 1968; March and December 1969; and January-February 1970 (see other category)
USS Pyro (AE-24) [Auxiliary Explosive, Ammunition Ship] sent small boat ashore from Da Nang Harbor with injured crew member for medical treatment on September 29, 1972
USS Mount McKinley (AGC-7) [Amphibious Force Flagship] Command ship for 7th Fleet Amphibious Force operated out of Da Nang during 1969 with evidence that crew members went ashore (see other category)
USS Eldorado (AGC-11) sent crewmembers ashore for liberty leave at Cam Ranh Bay during June 1967 and July 1970
USS Estes (AGC-12) sent crewmembers ashore for beach picnic at Vung Tau during April 1968 (see other category)
USS Oxford (AGTR-1) [Technical Research Ship] conducted numerous month-long deployments along the Vietnam coast collecting data, with evidence that crewmembers went ashore, between 1965 and 1969
USS Jamestown (AGTR-3) conducted numerous month-long deployments along the Vietnam coast collecting data, with photographic evidence that crewmembers went ashore, between January 1966 and September 1969
USS Repose (AH-16) [Hospital Ship] operated continuously on close coastal waters from 1966-1970, with evidence that crewmembers went ashore on liberty leave
USS Sanctuary (AH-17) operated continuously on close coastal waters from 1967-1971, with evidence that crewmembers went ashore on liberty leave
USS Ponchatoula (AO-148) [Fleet Oiler] sent crew members ashore to visit the An Thoi Naval Base on April 27, 1969
USS Tolovana (AO-64) sent crew ashore for beach party at Phu Quoc during May 1971
USS Sacramento (AOE-1) [Fast Combat Support Ship] regularly sent helicopters ashore to Da Nang for mail pick-up during March-August 1970
USS Calvert (APA-32) [Amphibious Attack Transport] served as Da Nang Harbor station ship, with crewmembers going ashore, from November 1965 through January 1966 (see other category)
USS Cavalier (APA-37) served as Da Nang Harbor station ship, with crewmembers going ashore, from June-July 1966 (see other category)
USS Cook (APD-130) [High Speed Transport] conducted tactical beach surveys with crew members ashore along Vietnam coast during June and July 1966
USS Ajax (AR-6) [Repair Ship] anchored in Vung Tau area for repair duties with evidence of shore-based repairs during June 1968, September to October 1969, April to May 1970, and August to November 1971
USS Hector (AR-7) anchored in Vung Tau Harbor repairing other vessels from July 20 to August 16, 1970, with deck logs stating that crewmembers went ashore on liberty leave
USS Jason (AR-8) anchored in Vung Tau Harbor repairing other vessels with deck logs showing evidence of crewmembers going ashore June through August 1968, December 1969 through January 1970, and March through April 1971
USS Safeguard (ARS-25) [Salvage Ship] anchored in Da Nang Harbor repairing other vessels with evidence that workboats went ashore during July 1971 (see other category)
USS Delta (AR-9) anchored in Vung Tau Harbor repairing other vessels during July 1969 with deck logs showing that crewmembers went ashore on liberty leave
USS Klondike (AR-22) anchored in Vung Tau Harbor repairing other vessels during April 1969 with deck logs showing that crewmembers went ashore
USNS Corpus Christi Bay (T-ARVH-1) [Helicopter Repair Ship] anchored in Cam Ranh Bay from 1966 to 1969 with US Army crew of helicopter repair technicians who went ashore regularly and assisted a Vietnamese orphanage
USS Ute (ATF-76) [Fleet Ocean Tug] conducted numerous salvaging operations on beached vessels from April 1966 through April 1971 with crewmembers going ashore and all attended beach party at Cam Ranh Bay on April 12, 1969
USS Currituck (AV-7) [Sea Plane Tender] anchored at Cam Ranh Bay for month long periods during 1966 and 1967 to repair and tend to Navy sea planes, with evidence that crewmembers went ashore on liberty leave (see other category)
USS Pine Island (AV-12) anchored at Da Nang during August 1964, and Cam Ranh Bay for month long periods during 1965 and 1966, to repair and tend to Navy sea planes, with evidence that crewmembers went ashore on liberty leave
USS Salisbury Sound (AV-13) anchored at Da Nang during February 1965, Con Son Island during May 1965, and Cam Ranh Bay for month long periods during 1966, to repair and tend to Navy sea planes, with evidence that crewmembers went ashore
USS New Jersey (BB-62) sent 30 crew members ashore for Thanksgiving dinner while offshore near Hue on November 28, 1968
USS Saint Paul (CA-73) [Cruiser] while anchored in Da Nang Harbor, small boats sent ashore on May 9, 1969, and May 25, July 17, and September 17, 1970
USS Canberra (CAG-2) [Guided Missile Cruiser] sent small boats and helicopters ashore while anchored in Da Nang Harbor during April 1965 (see other category)
USS Chicago (CG-11) [Guided Missile Cruiser] while anchored in Da Nang Harbor on May 22, 1969, deck logs show a utility boat went ashore for one hour with 8 crewmembers aboard
USS Long Beach (CGN-9) [Guided Missile Cruiser, Nuclear] while anchored in Da Nang Harbor, deck logs show that utility boats went ashore with passengers on May 5, 1968 and the Captains Gig went ashore on September 4, 1969
USS Oklahoma City (CLG-5) [Light Guided Missile Cruiser] sent small boats ashore while anchored in Da Nang Harbor during September 1966 and January-February 1970 and sent ship's softball team ashore during July 1969 (see other category)

USS Truxtun (DLGN-35) sent small boats ashore from Da Nang Harbor on June 2, 1968 and October 25, 1969
USS Cleveland (LPD-7) [Amphibious Transport Dock] sent Naval Academy Midshipmen on training mission ashore at Da Nang on 9-10 July, 1970 (see other category)
USS Tripoli (LPH-10) [Landing Platform Helicopter] sent crew members ashore for beach party at Da Nang on July 29, 1967 (see other category)
USS Carter Hall (LSD-3) [Landing Ship Dock] served four-month duty as “boat repair ship” in Da Nang Harbor during 1965, with evidence of crew members going ashore (see other category)
USS Oak Hill (LSD-7) served as station and repair ship in Da Nang Harbor with evidence of crewmembers going ashore from January through March 1966 (see other category)
USS Whetstone (LSD-27) anchored as long term “boat haven” in Da Nang Harbor for repairs of smaller vessels, with evidence of crewmembers going ashore, during April-May 1965 (see other category)
USS Alamo (LSD-33) while anchored in Da Nang Harbor, sent crewmembers ashore for R&R beach parties during March-April 1969 (see other category)
USS Epping Forest (MCS-7) [Mine Countermeasure Support Ship] conducted “goodwill” tours at Cam Ranh Bay and Nha Trang with crewmembers going ashore and Vietnamese coming aboard during September-October 1964, and mine sweep of Cua Viet River using smaller vessels from main ship during May 1968
USS Guide (MSO-447) [Minesweeper-Ocean] sent motorized whaleboats ashore for briefings while in Da Nang Harbor during May 1970 (see other category)
USS Queenfish (SS-393) sent crew ashore for liberty leave while anchored in Nha Trang Harbor from August 27-September 7, 1962
USS Camden (AOE-2) sent a helicopter to Da Nang on October 6, 1970

USS Haleakala (AE-25) anchored in Da Nang Harbor August 27 – 29, 1969, due to boiler accident and sent crew ashore prior to departure for Subic Bay for repairs
USS Savage (DER-386) Sent crew ashore to provide medical assistance to villages from January 1 to 15, 1966, and from June 12 to September 15, 1966
USS Lawrence (DDG-4) Sent a motorized whaleboat ashore on December 8, 1972, to pick up mail and passengers
USS Albert David (DE-1050) Sent a motorized whaleboat ashore while anchored in Da Nang Harbor on December 30, 1969
USS Waddell (DDG-24) Launched a whaleboat and Captain’s GIG to shore while anchored in Da Nang Harbor on December 28, 1971
USS Sample (DE-1048) – sent motor whaleboat to shore on July 26, 1972
USS Blandy (DD-943) – sent motor whaleboat to shore on January 25, 1973
USS Richard S. Edwards (DD-950) – sent personnel ashore via small boat on November 5, 1967, and December 1, 1967 (see other category)
USS Brush (DD-745) – sent whaleboat ashore on January 11, 1969, while anchored in Cam Ranh Bay and on January 12, 1969, while anchored in Vung Tau Harbor
USS Diachenko (APD-123) – conducted tactical beach surveys with crew members from April to August 1968; also, on May 21, 1968, while anchored in Qui Nhon Harbor, a harbor patrol craft arrived at the ship and departed with the commanding officer, operations officer, and communications officer for briefings in Qui Nhon.
USS Henry B. Wilson (DDG-7) – anchored in Da Nang Harbor on July 21, 1965, and sent crew members ashore for liberty following Change-of-Command ceremony.

V. Ships operating on Vietnam’s close coastal waters for extended periods with evidence that smaller craft from the ship regularly delivered supplies or troops ashore

USS Zelima (AF-49) [Auxiliary Stores Ship] conducted numerous in port supply replenishments at Da Nang, Cam Ranh Bay, Vung Tau, and An Thoi from July-October 1965, January-August 1966, October-December 1968, and May-June 1969
USS Vega (AF-59) conducted numerous in port supply replenishments with docking and crew going ashore at Da Nang, Cam Ranh Bay, Vung Tau, and An Thoi during March-April 1966, July-August 1968, June-July 1969, November-December 1970, and April-September 1972 (see other category)
USS Mars (AFS-1) [Combat Stores Ship] conducted numerous on shore supply replenishments at Da Nang, Cam Ranh Bay, Vung Tau, and An Thoi from May 1965 to November 1972 with evidence of crewmembers going ashore
USS Niagara Falls (AFS-3) conducted on shore supply replenishments with helicopters and small boats at Da Nang, Cam Ranh Bay, Vung Tau, and An Thoi from April 1968 to March 1973
USS White Plains (AFS-4) conducted on shore supply replenishments with helicopters and small boats at Da Nang, Cam Ranh Bay, Vung Tau, and An Thoi from January 1969 to March 1973
USS San Jose (AFS-7) conducted on shore supply replenishments with helicopters and small boats at Da Nang, Cam Ranh Bay, and Vung Tau from October 1971 to February 1972 and September 1972 to March 1973
USS Mount McKinley (AGC-7) [Amphibious Force Flagship] conducted troop and supply beach landings at Da Nang and elsewhere during March-May 1965, June-July 1966, and July-November 1967 (see other category)
USS Estes (AGC-12) conducted troop and supply beach landings at Chu Lai and Da Nang during March-October 1965 (see other category)
USS Winston (AKA-94) [Attack Cargo Ship] conducted troop and supply beach landings during July 1965; April-August 1966; September-October 1967; and November 1968-May 1969
USS Mathews (AKA-96) on-loaded supplies at Da Nang and delivered them up the Cua Viet River to Dong Ha with “mike boats” from August through December 1967
USS Merrick (AKA-97) conducted troop and cargo beach landing with small boats at Hue, Chu Lai, and Da Nang from July 1965 through November 1968 (see other category)
USS Seminole (AKA/LKA-104) [Attack/Amphibious Cargo Ship] sent smaller amphibious assault craft ashore for troop landings in November 1965 in support of Operations BLUE MARLIN I and II; conducted troop landings with small boats at Da Nang, Hoi An, and Quang Tri from March through August 1967, September 1968 through February 1969, and during January 1970 (see other category)
USS Skagit (AKA/LKA-105) conducted troop and cargo beach “mike boat” landings at Da Nang, Chu Lai, and Quang Ngai from November 1965 to November 1967
USS Union (AKA/LKA-106) conducted numerous troop and cargo “mike boat” beach landings at Da Nang, Cam Ranh Bay, and Chu Lai from March 1965 to November 1969 (see other category)
USS Washburn (AKA/LKA-108) conducted numerous small boat beach landings at Da Nang, Thon My Thuy, Hue on Perfume River, and Dong Ha on Cua Viet River from 1965 to 1969
USS Tulare (AKA/LKA-112) conducted troop and cargo “mike boat” beach landings at Da Nang, Chu Lai, Cam Ranh Bay, and Vung Tau from July 1965 to February 1973
USS St. Louis (AKA/LKA-116) conducted troop and cargo landings with small boats at Da Nang, Vung Tau, and Quang Nam Province during August-October 1970; January-March 1971; and April-November 1972 (see other category)
USS Navasota (AO-106) [Fleet Oiler] conducted on-shore and in-port replenishment at Vung Tau, Da Nang, Mai Ong Dai, etc. during September 1965-May 1967; January-July 1968; April-July 1969; June-November 1970; and September 1971-June 1972

USS Anchorage (LSD-36) transported troops and supplies to and from shore with smaller craft at Da Nang, Cam Ranh Bay, Vung Tau, and An Thoi from February 1970 through July 1972 (see category II above)

USNS General W. H. Gordon (T-AP-117) [Military Sea Transportation Service (MSTS) Transport Ship] transported troops and cargo to Vung Tau and elsewhere in Vietnam, with crew members going ashore, during 1965 and from December 1967 to March 1968

USNS Barrett (T-AP-196) carried US Army 2nd Transportation Company to Qui Nhon during August 1965 and transported additional troops to Vietnam from April to December 1968 and January to May 1969

USNS Geiger (T-AP-197) transported troops to Qui Nhon and Vung Tau from September to December 1965 and additional troops to Vietnam January to February 1967 and July 1969