

Special thanks to Chris Walkes for research on the Dupont and Otter. These vessels were explosives carriers, owned or leased by the Dupont Company and operated out of DuPont Washington - Notes: *Only the city of DuPont is spelled with a capital "P" due to an error made on an early traffic sign.*

Dupont 1911-1943

Official Number: 208722

Rig: Ga. S. (Gas Screw)

Gross tonnage: 40

Net Tonnage: 27

Length: 52.6

Breadth: 16.0

Depth: 7.2

Service: Freight

Crew: 2

Indicated Horse Power: 30

Where Built: Manitou, Washington

Owner: E.I. DuPont De Nemours Company (DuPont)

Dupont (explosive carrier) The ***Dupont*** the first vessel built on Puget Sound as an explosives carrier was built at Manitou Beach on Bainbridge Island for the Dupont Company. Built along the lines of a miniature steam schooner, she had a cargo capacity of 54 tons and length of 53 feet being powered originally with a 30-horsepower heavy-duty gasoline engine. -*Source: Gordon Newell, Maritime Events of 1911, H.W. McCurdy Marine History of the Pacific Northwest, P. 206. Citation: Tacoma Public Library*

Dupont (powder carrier) The gasoline powder carrier Dupont, Capt. Rose en route from Dupont to Seattle with 50 tons of dynamite, struck a submerged object in the East Waterway at the latter port June 19, and was saved from sinking only by being beached on Harbor Island. - *Source: Gordon Newell, Maritime Events of 1913, H.W. McCurdy Marine History of the Pacific Northwest, P. 231. Citation: Tacoma Public Library*

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The Dupont is renamed the ***Wilmar***

Owner: Cecile W. Drake

Home port: San Diego, California

The vessel ***Wilmar*** (formerly ***Dupont***) was lost about 20 miles west of La Jolla, California (date unknown)



The second vessel DuPont

M/V DuPont 1943- 1961

Name: *Dupont*

Official Number: 230080

Rig: Oil. S. (Oil Screw)

Gross Tonnage: 71

Net Tonnage: 48

Length: 59.8 feet

Breadth: 18.1 feet

Depth: 8.6 feet

Service: Freight

Crew: 3

Indicated Horsepower: 135

Built: 1930 (probably had different name 1930- 1943)

Where Built: Seattle, Washington

Home Port: Seattle, Washington

Owner: E.I. DuPont de Nemours

Record from the Bureau of Ocean Energy management, regulation and Enforcement Alaskan Shipwreck On-line Query: records the DuPont foundered with the crew rescued by the tug Barbara Foss in the Gulf of Alaska, 1 mile south of Cape Suckling July 8, 1961.

The vessel *Dupont* was lost about 1 mile south of Cape Suckling, Alaska - *Jennifer Barney, vessel Documentation Clerk, Data Management & Administration Division*

The Third Vessel DuPont

M/V Dupont 1968- 1972

Name: *Dupont* the former *FS 37*, USA

Official Number: 254797

Rig: Oil. S. (Oil Screw)

Gross Tonnage: 198

Net Tonnage: 145

Length: 107.1 feet

Breadth: 26.8 feet

Depth: 12.5 feet

Service: Freight

Crew: 3

Indicated Horsepower: 640

Year Built: 1942

Where Built: Bellingham, Washington

Home Port: Seattle, Washington

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The *Dupont* is renamed the *Twin Hills*

Owner: Golden North Fisheries, Inc. WA

Homeport: Juneau, Alaska

Renamed King Oscar (formerly the DuPont) date unknown

The Certificate of Documentation for the vessel King Oscar has been expired since May 31, 1992 - *Jennifer Barney, vessel Documentation Clerk, Data Management & Administration Division*