

SERVICE ON LAND, SEA, AND IN THE AIR



Join the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary



Are you looking for adventure while serving your country and your community?

If you are looking for some adventure in your life, consider joining the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Wherever your interests lie, and whatever life skills you have, chances are that the Coast Guard Auxiliary can offer you an area to serve that will enrich your life in ways you may not have imagined.



Who we are

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary is the uniformed volunteer component of the United States Coast Guard. Created by an Act of Congress in 1939, the Auxiliary directly supports the Coast Guard in all missions, except military and law enforcement actions.

The Coast Guard's philosophy is to be SEMPER PARATUS (ALWAYS READY) against all threats and all hazards. The Coast Guard Auxiliary is an integral part of that philosophy and the Coast Guard Forces.

We conduct safety patrols on local waterways, assist the Coast Guard with homeland security duties, teach boating safety classes, conduct free vessel safety checks for the public, as well as many other activities.

The Auxiliary has members in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa and Guam.



Qualifications

Applicants must be U.S. citizens, at least 17 years old, and pass a basic background check. There are no upper age limits or height/weight standards, although for operational activities, you must be physically able to perform certain tasks. There are no minimum service hours – you can serve as little or as much as you want.

“Being part of the Coast Guard Auxiliary gives me the opportunity to enjoy myself and give back to the community at the same time. I do this by performing safety patrols on the water, teaching boating safety classes and working with children through the Coastie the Safety Boat program.”

– Maureen M. Culler





“One of the things I love about my association with the Coast Guard Auxiliary is the chance it gives me to excel, and not only as an individual, but as a member of teams of such talented, committed individuals.”

– Daren Lewis