

On Wednesday May 10th, the 1st District Team Coast Guard Color Guard presented colors for the Boston Celtics Game 5 Conference Semi-finals playoff game.

The team consisted of three auxiliary and three active duty members. The team was allowed entry to a free buffet dinner with the media and coaches, and reserved press seats. After the presentation, team members sat together and cheered on the Celtics to a 123-101 victory over the Washington Wizards.

This was the fourth appearance by Team Coast Guard in the post season this year, the most ever.

Two of the performance requests by the Boston Celtics came within twelve hours of game time, one within seven hours. Through established protocols and communications lines in place, gold and silver Team Coast Guard members worked together and were able to respond rapidly with stand by units for each performance, living up to our motto, ***Semper Paratus!*** The quick responses by Team Coast Guard greatly impressed the Boston Celtics organization and was much appreciated.

The units had comprised teams of active duty members from three Coast Guard Stations and multiple Auxiliary Divisions all working together. Team Coast Guard members look forward to getting the call again for continued presentations in the playoffs.

Photo 1 (l to r) Colors Presentation: Auxiliary Kevin Ritchie, SK3 Scarlett Rogers, SK3 Edwin Liriano, Auxiliary Craig Hall, SK2 Leonardo Bonilla, Auxiliary Christian Lanphere

Photo 2 (l to r) Pre-Game Center Court: Auxiliary Christian Lanphere, SK2 Leonardo Bonilla, Auxiliary Craig Hall, SK3 Edwin Liriano, SK3 Scarlett Rogers, Auxiliary Kevin Ritchie

Photo 3 (l to r) Three Minutes to Presentation: Auxiliary Christian Lanphere, SK2 Leonardo Bonilla, Auxiliary Craig Hall, SK3 Scarlett Rogers, Auxiliary Kevin Ritchie