MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION

Marine safety is one of the eleven missions of the United States Coast Guard. Coast Guard personnel inspect commercial vessels, respond to pollution, investigate marine casualties and merchant mariners, manage waterways, and license merchant mariners.

The Auxiliary qualifications mirror those of the Active Duty – minus any law enforcement or military activities. All Marine Safety programs open to Auxiliarists are based on the needs of the individual Sector.

There are four Divisions in the Prevention Department devoted to the Marine Safety program:

1. Commercial Vessel Activities
2. Port and Facility Activities
3. Prevention Outreach
4. Communication and Education

FLOTILLA STAFF OFFICER OF MARINE SAFETY (MS)

Exercise staff responsibility and supervision over all matters pertaining to the flotilla's role in the Auxiliary Marine Safety and Environmental Protection activity, and keep the Flotilla Commander and members informed of all developments in this area. Encourage appropriate outreach and educational training efforts.

Looking to get involved? Contact your local USCG Auxiliary.

CONTACTS

WILDLIFE

Sea Turtles: Report dead, sick, or injured sea turtles by calling FWC's 24-hour Wildlife Alert Number at 1-888-404-FWCC (1-888-404-3922).

Manatees: Report sick, injured or dead manatees by calling 888-404-FWCC (888-404-3922).

Alligators: Report Alligator Nuisance by calling 866-FWC-GATOR (866-392-4286).

Fish: Report saltwater or freshwater fish kills by calling 800-636-0511.

OTHER

Oil, Fuel or Hazardous Material Spills in Florida Waters: Report by calling 800-320-0519.

Red Tide Status Information: For red tide status from within Florida call 866-300-9399.

Waterway Markers: Report missing, damaged or found waterway markers by calling 866-405-BUOY (866-405-2869).