

Opportunities to Serve with the “Gold Side”.

As you may recall from emails and the Flotilla meeting, Coast Guard Station Fort Lauderdale needs help in certain areas. Remember from your training, we are part of Team Coast Guard, and we can assist in all area except law enforcement and military action. There is training involved in certain areas.

Also, we can't just “show up”, someone needs to be informed as well as certain training to work on the base. This is what is known as TCT training and Intro to Risk Management.

It is critical to follow the chain of leadership (remember your BQ training) when you do so. If you respond to an email, your Flotilla leadership needs to be copied on that.

So how do you begin? First take the TCT training. It is offered during the year, it is a once a year training. Watch your email for the next one. Second as part of BQ if you didn't do it, you will need to do intro to Risk Management. This is a once and done, but is needed not just for work at the station, but for Vessel examiner and boat crew qualification. Here is a how to get it.

Intro to Risk Management 100202

- **First time using AUXLMS:**
 - o Go here: <https://auxlearning.uscg.mil/>
 - o User name is your primary email address in AUXDATA
 - o Set up 14-character password.
- **GO here <https://auxlearning.uscg.mil/>**
 - o AGREE
 - o Log in with user name (email address) and 14 Character password
 - o Click on “Catalogue: Auxiliary”
 - o Click on “Catalogue: Auxiliary Operations”
 - o Click on “100202” – Introduction to Risk Management

You will need your ID card and ODU uniform. Galley work is generally preformed in ODU tee shirt, but have the blouse with you. By emailing Natalie and Jon Fisher, they will inform the station you are coming, and access through the gate is allowed. Again, no matter who contacts you, you **MUST** follow the chain of leadership and email or call Natalie or Jon.

When we, as part of Team Coast Guard, help out at the station, it allows active duty personnel to work in their areas, instead of where you are helping. This helps them to get qualified and advance. You will get the satisfaction of meeting and talking to a great group of individuals who are committed to boating safety like you.

There is also the opportunity to serve as a Watch Stander, with a few additional qualifications. Working in the Galley without training, you may not prepare food, but you can assist in other ways. There is always someone there to train and guide you.

Check the website under “Members only” for information on this exciting way to make a difference in Team Coast Guard. Everything that is done, no matter what, is a contribution to boating safety. You may not go on the Search and Rescue, but your time helped to save a life.
BZ shipmates.