

# **AL AUX 20-15 - AUXILIARY AIR OPERATIONS, HEALTH SERVICES, AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAM POLICY CHANGES**

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1. The following five items communicate changes to respective sections of the CG Auxiliary Manual (COMDTINST M16790.1 (series)) and the CG Auxiliary Operations Policy Manual (COMDTINST M16798.3 (series)). They are effective immediately.

A. Auxiliary Manual (COMDTINST M16790.1 (series)), Chapter 8, Section B.4. - Air Operations Program:

In order to reflect consistency with the provisions of ALAUX 019/12 of August 2012 (specifically, section 3.D.2.f.(9)(2) dealing with interim certification in Auxiliary aviation competencies), Auxiliary Manual section 8.B.4. is amended to read as follows:

"8.B.4. Air Operations Program

There are five levels of competency in the Auxiliary air operations program: Aircraft Commander, First Pilot, Co-Pilot, Air Crew Member, and Air Observer. In order to qualify in any of these Auxiliary air operations competencies, Auxiliaries must:

- a. Meet all BQ member status requirements.
- b. Possess a Favorable DO PSI. Interim certification, as discussed in paragraph B.1.e of this chapter, may be granted by the Director or appropriate qualifying authority for Auxiliaries who are either in AP status or possess a Favorable OS PSI, and who have submitted a complete DO PSI package for processing.
- c. Complete the prescribed air operations training course (the Auxiliary Operations Policy Manual, COMDTINST M16798.3 (series) provides the specific requirements and is the principal document for the Auxiliary air operations program)."

B. Auxiliary Manual (COMDTINST M16790.1 (series)), Chapter 8, Section B.1.e. - Other PSI Considerations:

In order to reflect consistency with the above change to Auxiliary Manual section 8.B.4., section 8.B.1.e. is amended to read as follows:

"B.1.e. Other PSI Considerations

For Auxiliary competencies that require a Favorable DO PSI, an Auxiliary in AP status or who possesses a Favorable OS PSI may submit the requisite DO PSI package for processing, perform and successfully complete all associated training tasks and prerequisites, and receive an interim certification by the Director or appropriate

qualifying authority while the DO PSI package is processed to completion. Granting interim certification shall be made at the discretion of the Director or appropriate qualifying authority upon favorable review of the member's DO PSI package with no adverse material issues identified. An Unfavorable DO PSI determination shall result in immediate termination of the interim certification and the Auxiliarist's performance of the corresponding activities.

For the Auxiliary competencies Fingerprint Technician (FT), Citizenship Verifier (CV), and Health Service provider (AUXHS), an Auxiliarist in AP status must first receive a Favorable OS PSI before the qualification may be granted. There is no allowance for interim certification for these competencies."

C. Auxiliary Operations Policy Manual (COMDTINST M16798.3 (series)), Annex 2, section B.1.a. - Pilot-in-Command Qualifications:

The eighth bullet of this section is amended to read as follows:

"Successfully complete one of the boating safety courses listed in section 8.B.1.c. of the Auxiliary Manual, COMDTINST M16790.1 (series)."

D. Auxiliary Manual (COMDTINST M16790.1 (series)), Chapter 8, Sections B.9.a-c. - Auxiliary Public Affairs Program:

In order to improve alignment with rank labeling of Coast Guard Public Affairs Petty Officers (e.g., lowest rank of an E-4 Public Affairs Petty Officer is referred to as "PA3"), the titling of the highest and lowest levels of competencies in the Auxiliary Public Affairs (AUXPA) program are reversed. As a result, the lowest level (i.e., entry level) is now, "Auxiliary Public Affairs Specialist 3 (AUXPA3)" and the highest level is now, "Auxiliary Public Affairs Specialist 1 (AUXPA1)." The mid-level competency remains same as, "Auxiliary Public Affairs Specialist 2 (AUXPA2)." Auxiliary Manual sections 8.B.9.a-c. are amended to reflect these changes. Associated titling changes in AUXDATA will also be made for Auxiliarists who hold the AUXPA3 and AUXPA1 competencies."

E. Auxiliary Manual (COMDTINST M16790.1 (series)), Chapter 8, Section B.9.a. - Auxiliary Public Affairs Specialist 1:

The second paragraph of this section is amended to read as follows:

"Successful completion of the Auxiliary Public Affairs and Marketing (AUX-12) C-school (including homework assignments) satisfies all requirements identified above except Introduction to Public Affairs and the oral board review."

Additionally, sub-item (5) will be deleted effective 01 January 2016 because ICS-100 (Introduction to the Incident Command System), as part of Auxiliary Mandated Training

(AUXMT), will become a qualification requirement for any competency at that time.