



BMCM Jason C. Hermes

Chief, Auxiliary Operations Management Branch
Coast Guard Office of Auxiliary and Boating Safety



Master Chief Hermes assumed the duties of Chief, Auxiliary Operations Management Branch at Coast Guard Headquarters in September 2025. Most recently, Master Chief Hermes served as Enlisted Assignment Officer, advising 4,700 Boatswain Mates on professional development, career progression, and assignment policies and procedures. He ensured members received the career enhancement necessary for future advancements

Master Chief Hermes' previous assignments include Officer in Charge of Aids to Navigation Team (ANT) Detroit, Executive Petty Officer ANT South Portland, Executive Petty Officer CGC SHACKLE, ATON Operations Petty Officer STANT Muskegon, as well as ANT Sitka and CGC MAPLE.

Originally from Grand Ledge, Michigan, Master Chief Hermes served 4 years in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS ENTERPRISE and USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT attached to VF-41 Carrier Airwing Eight (VF-41 Black Aces) as a Aviation Structural Mechanic servicing F-14 Tomcats from 1997-2001, enlisting into the United States Coast Guard March 2004. His personal awards include 2 Coast Guard Commendation Medals, 5 Coast Guard Achievement Medals, 6 Coast Guard Good Conduct Medals, one Navy Good Conduct medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal. In addition to various other personal and unit level awards, he has earned Officer in Charge Afloat and Ashore Aids to Navigation specialties, permanent Coxswain Insignia and Advance Boat Forces insignia.

Master Chief Hermes is married to Dawna Hermes of Sitka, Alaska, and they have four children: Jared, Justin, Isabella, and Jackson. Jared serves as a Chief Torpedoman in the U.S. Navy, while Justin, a former Marine, has blessed their family with grandson Arthur. Isabella attends Grand Valley State University, and Jackson is a Navy JROTC Chief in 11th grade.