
Section D. National

Introduction

The national level of administration contains the National Executive Committee (NEXCOM) presided over by the NACO and composed of the Chief Director, the Immediate Past National Commodore (IPNACO), VNACO, and the four DNACOs. The Assistant National Commodores (ANACOs) may attend NEXCOM meetings upon invitation of the NACO, but are not voting Auxiliarists of the NEXCOM. The NEXCOM functions as the Auxiliary's senior leadership and management team. The NEXCOM, National Board, and National Executive Staff comprise the Auxiliary national organization that maintains general Auxiliary leadership and management over all Auxiliary programs and activities.

D.1. Deputy National Commodore (DNACO)

There shall be four DNACOs: DNACO-Operations (O), DNACO-Recreational Boating Safety (RBS), DNACO-Mission Support (MS), and DNACO-Information Technology and Planning (ITP). Three DNACOs shall be elected officers in accordance with the provisions of Appendix C. These three DNACOs shall be elected to represent the three Auxiliary Areas (Atlantic Area – East, Atlantic Area – West, and Pacific) among the DNACO-O, DNACO-RBS, DNACO-MS offices. The NACO, in consultation with the VNACO and IPNACO, shall select these three DNACOs for their specific O, RBS, or MS office.

The NACO, in consultation with the VNACO and IPNACO, shall select the DNACO-ITP. Minimum eligibility criteria for this appointment shall be: completion of a term of office as a DNACO-ITP or ANACO, or completion of a term of office as DCO or above. Completion of any such term must have occurred within the past eight years. As an appointed position, DNACO-ITP shall not be eligible for the office of NACO or VNACO strictly by having served in this office.

All DNACO appointments shall only be made upon concurrence of the Chief Director.

D.2. Assistant National Commodores (ANACO) and National Directors

The NACO shall appoint, with Chief Director concurrence, all ANACOs and national Directors and their deputies in order to define the national staff for administration and management of Auxiliary programs. Associated office functional statements shall be appended to the Auxiliary National Program and the Auxiliary web site, www.cgaux.org.

D.2.a.
Organization

The National Staff shall be organized, as displayed in Figure 1-2, with the following titles and staff symbols:

- (1) ANACO - Chief Counsel (CC)
- (2) Redacted content per Presidential Executive Order No. 14176
- (3) ANACO - Response and Prevention (RP)
 - (a) Director - Response (DIR-R)
 - (b) Director - Prevention (DIR-P)
 - (c) Director - Incident Management and Preparedness (DIR-MP)
 - (d) Director - International Affairs (DIR-IA)
- (4) ANACO - Recreational Boating (RB)
 - (a) Director - Vessel Examination (DIR-V)
 - (b) Director - Public Education (DIR-E)
 - (c) Director - RBS Outreach (DIR-B)
- (5) ANACO - FORCECOM (FC)
 - (a) Director - Government and Public Affairs (DIR-GP)
 - (b) Director - Training (DIR-T)
 - (c) Director - Human Resources (DIR-H)
- (6) ANACO - Planning and Performance (PP)
 - (a) Director - Strategic Planning (DIR-S)
 - (b) Director - Performance Measurement (DIR-M)
- (7) ANACO - Information Technology (IT)
 - (a) Director - Information Engineering (DIR-IE)
 - (b) Director - Information Users (DIR-IU)

Directorates shall be functionally divided into divisions and the divisions into branches, with division chiefs (DVC), branch chiefs (BC), and branch assistants (BA), respectively, who are able to assist the Directorate Chief. Staff structure and assignments for each Directorate may be seen in the annual Auxiliary National Program.

D.2.b. ANACO
Duties

ANACOs shall assist the NACO, the VNACO, and DNACOs in the performance of various duties including:

- (1) Plan, organize, and coordinate all activities within their program areas.
 - (2) Ensure policies established by the Coast Guard, the National Board, and the NACO are effectively implemented.
 - (3) Keep the NACO, the VNACO, DNACOs, and the Chief Director informed of directorate matters and provide correspondence copies to NEXCOM.
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- (4) Consult via electronic communications, telephone, or mail with their directorate chiefs to proactively coordinate their activities.
 - (5) Work continuously toward immediate and long-term Coast Guard and Auxiliary goals that are specific directorate responsibilities.
 - (6) Submit progress reports to the NEXCOM and appropriate Coast Guard Headquarters offices of their directorate activities.
 - (7) Effect direct coordination with the NACO, the VNACO, and DNACOs on specific problems or requests for assistance.
 - (8) Consult and coordinate with appropriate Coast Guard Flag officers and program managers, in coordination with the Chief Director, to determine requirements for Auxiliary resources used within their directorate and to develop and manage Auxiliary programs consistent with Coast Guard needs and objectives.
 - (9) In consultation with NEXCOM and respective Directorate Chiefs, develop plans, policies, and procedures to achieve and maintain Auxiliary capabilities consistent with identified Coast Guard requirements.
 - (10) Ensure compliance with Coast Guard and Auxiliary policy using the chain of leadership and management.

The ANACO-CC shall be a licensed attorney who shall serve as legal advisor to the NACO, and provide counsel to the Chief Director, on Auxiliary issues. A Deputy Chief Counsel is authorized (ANACO-CCd) to assist ANACO-CC as assigned. ANACO-CCd shall be a licensed attorney authorized to wear the DIR insignia. Additionally, there shall be Area Assistant Chief Counsels for Atlantic Area – East, Atlantic Area – West, and Pacific Area to assist DNACOs and DSO-LPs in their respective areas. The Area Assistant Chief Counsels shall be licensed attorneys authorized to wear the DVC insignia. Assistant Chief Counsels may also be appointed to address specific legal subject areas (e.g., tax, corporate, copyright, legislative). Such Assistant Chief Counsels shall be licensed attorneys authorized to wear the DVC insignia.

D.3. Deputy Directorate Chief

A Deputy Directorate Chief shall be designated for each Directorate. This position shall wear the insignia of a DVC. The Deputy designation shall be the same as the Directorate Chief's designation with a "d" added (i.e., DIR-Td).

**D.4. Special
Projects and
Liaison Officers**

Subject to the Chief Director's concurrence, NACO may appoint one or more Special Project and/or Liaison officers with appropriate insignia to be determined based on the level of responsibility (e.g., liaison to the Presidential Inaugural Committee). NACO, with concurrence of the Chief Director, may nominate Auxiliarists for appointment to Coast Guard committees, boards, etc.

**D.5. NACO
Staff**

NACO may appoint NACO support staff officers to include an Executive Assistant to NACO (N-EA). As determined by NACO, with Chief Director concurrence, support staff officers shall wear insignia that is commensurate with the level of responsibility of the office to which they are appointed.
