Section C. Rape and Sexual Assault

Introduction

Rape and sexual assault will not be tolerated in the Coast Guard. These criminal acts violate the Coast Guard's core values.

C.1. Responsibilities

All Auxiliarists shall foster and maintain an environment of mutual respect and trust to ensure the safety and security of others. All personnel shall become familiar with and follow the contents of Reporting and Responding to Rape and Sexual Assault Allegations, COMDTINST 1754.10 (series), when reporting rape and sexual assault and responding to rape and sexual assault allegations. It is available through the Director's office. Key elements include:

- a. Mandatory annual training.
- b. Requirements to report allegations of rape or sexual assault to CGIS for investigation in accordance with Mandatory Reporting of Incidents to the Coast Guard Investigative Service and Requesting Investigative Assistance, COMDTINST 5520.5 (series).
- c. Steps to ensure victims are not further traumatized by any investigation.
- d. Clarification of roles and responsibilities.

C.2. Policy

All allegations of rape or sexual assault by any member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary shall be immediately reported to the servicing Coast Guard Investigative Service (CGIS) office and the servicing Coast Guard legal office in accordance with Mandatory Reporting of Incidents to the Coast Guard Investigative Service and Requesting Investigative Assistance, COMDTINST 5520.5 (series). All allegations will be promptly investigated by CGIS. Directors or cognizant Coast Guard commands shall take appropriate disciplinary action, where evidence dictates, and report the action taken to the servicing CGIS and Coast Guard legal offices.