



Welcome to the AUXCA Program

- The following PowerPoint is a brief introduction to the Auxiliary Culinary Assistance Program (AUXCA)
- All Coast Guard Auxiliarists who have an interest in the culinary arts are encouraged to explore the opportunities available in the AUXCA Program. We have a place for you!!

AUXCA Questions

- What is the AUXCA Program?
- What does an AUXCA do?
- What type of training is involved?
- What missions are supported?
- Who administers the program?
- Who can be an AUXCA?
- How to be an AUXCA?
- What are AUXCA₁ and AUXCA₂?

What is the AUXCA Program?

- The AUXCA Program is a Coast Guard approved program which provides culinary support to the Coast Guard and the Coast Guard Auxiliary.



What does an AUXCA do?

- AUXCAs have the opportunity to support the Coast Guard in galleys both on land and aboard Coast Guard cutters in port and at sea.
- While no culinary experience is required, culinary skills are learned during training and while on assignments.
- Tasks include the preparation of meals which often involve working alongside Active Duty Culinary Specialists (CSs) and some clean-up.

What training is involved?

- Complete Auxiliary member requirements: BQ status (IQs may attend but need to be BQ before certification), core courses, etc.
- Complete AUXCA Basic Course under the direction of an AUXCA Instructor and/or CS2 and above. Virtual classes may be available.
- Perform all tasks on the AUXCA PQS form under the supervision of an AUXCA and/or CS2 and above.

What missions are supported?

- AUXCA1 can work in Coast Guard galleys on land and aboard Coast Guard cutters (both in port and at sea).
- AUXCA1 may deploy to specific areas based on Coast Guard needs.
- AUXCA2 may only support the Auxiliary for events such as meetings, conferences, special Auxiliary events, etc. No Coast Guard support is permitted.

Who administers the program?

- The AUXCA program is administered by the Culinary Assistance division under the Human Resources Directorate, Coast Guard Support.
- The National Division Chief (DVC-HC) is supported by Branch Chiefs (BC-HC*) assigned to specific areas or tasks.
- A District Staff Officer (DSO-CA) is appointed in every district.
- Divisions may have a Division Staff Officer (SO-CA). (FSO-CA is not authorized)

Who can be an AUXCA?

- Any Auxiliarist in good standing can train to be an AUXCA ((IQs may attend the training but need to be BQ before certification).
- Experience and abilities may vary but there is always a need for support.
- Auxiliarists who want a rewarding new experience working directly with the Coast Guard and/or the Auxiliary.

How to become an AUXCA

- AUXCA Basic Classes are offered subject to demand.
- Class attendance is voluntary and all expenses are the responsibility of the student. (Not an A-school)
- Classes are conducted by AUXCA Instructors and/or Active Duty CS2 or above.
- Class announcements are available on the AUXCA Facebook page or through the DSO-CA.
- Contact the SO-CA or DSO-CA if interested.

AUXCA₁ & AUXCA₂ Training

- The classroom portion of AUXCA training is the same for both AUXCA₁ and AUXCA₂
- The PQSs are the same
- The annual requirements are different
- AUXCA₁ support the Coast Guard and the Auxiliary
- AUXCA₂ support the CG Auxiliary only

AUXCA₁ Skills Training

- PQS/skills training for **AUXCA-1** must take place in a Coast Guard Galley.
- Traveling to a Coast Guard unit for training is a personal expense.
- When distance and expense are an issue the Coast Guard may opt to have AUXCA₁s train on a nearby Coast Guard Cutter.
- The Coast Guard makes that determination.

AUXCA₂ Skills Training

- PQS/skills training for **AUXCA-2** may take place in any suitable kitchen environment. A Coast Guard galley can not be used.
- All training must be done under the supervision of an AUXCA₁ or AUXCA Instructor or experienced AUXCA₂

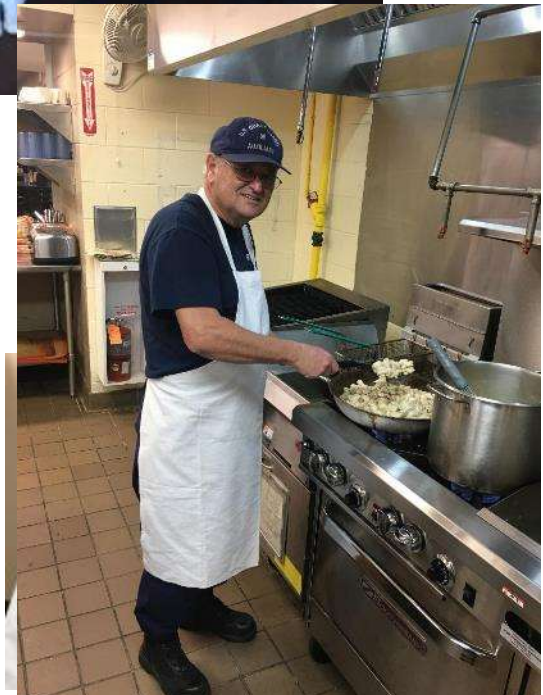
AUXCA₁ Certification

- AUXCA₁ trainees are required to complete the PQS in a Coast Guard Galley under supervision of a CS₂ or above and/or an experienced AUXCA₁
- Confirmation of classroom training and completed AUXCA PQSs are necessary for AUXCA₁ certification.
- A health check and Hepatitis A (first inoculation in a 2-part series) are also required and completed prior to hands-on training.

AUXCA2 Certification

- Confirmation of classroom training and completed AUXCA PQSs are necessary for AUXCA2 certification.
- NOTE: Hands-on training is performed in non-Coast Guard facilities.
- AUXCA2 may only participate in Auxiliary functions, not Coast Guard.

AUXCAs serve!



Thank you!

- Thank you for your interest in the AUXCA Program.
- Please contact your SO-CA or DSO-CA for more information.
- We look forward to serving with you in the future!

