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Anguilla



Capital: The Valley. **Population:** 13,500, **Area:** 39 square miles.
Currency: EC Dollar. **Official Language:** English. **Government:** British Overseas Territory

Search & Rescue Organizations

Government

Royal Anguilla Police Marine Unit

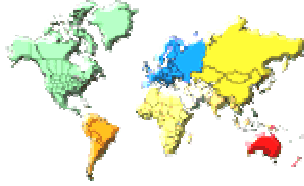
Volunteer

None known at this time

Antigua and Barbuda



Capital: Saint John's, **Population:** 82,000, **Area:** 108 Square miles.
Currency: EC Dollar. **Official Language:** English. **Government:** Parliamentary Democracy



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Government

Antigua Barbuda Coast Guard is the maritime element of the defense force, and is divided into four units: Commanding Officer's office, Engineer Unit, Administration Unit, Flotilla - the flotilla is the operational part of the Coast Guard, and consists of four vessels. Antigua and Barbuda Cadet Corps.

Volunteer

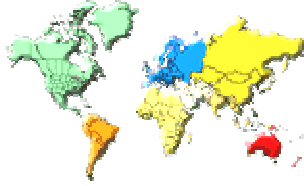
Antigua and Barbuda Search and Rescue (ABSAR) is a voluntary organization dedicated to saving life in Antigua and Barbuda and the surrounding waters. It is an officially recognized search and rescue service in Antigua and Barbuda, where it provides 24-hour cover 365 days of the year. ABSAR works in close co-operation with the Antiguan Coast Guard, fire and ambulance services.

More information can be found at: www.ABSAR.org

Aruba



Capital: Oranjestad. **Population:** 22,000 . **Area:** 59 Square miles.
Currency: NA Guilder. **Official Languages:** Dutch, Papiamentu.
Government: Constitutional Monarchy



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Government

Royal Netherlands Antilles Coast Guard

Volunteer

Search & Rescue Federation Aruba (SARFA - Aruba)

On the web at: www.sarfa.org

Bahamas Islands



Capital: Nassau. **Population:** 330,500. **Area:** 5,358 Square miles.

Currency: Bahamian dollar. **Official Languages:** English.

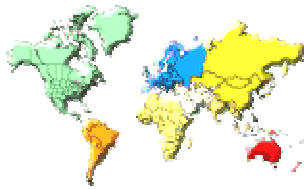
Government: Parliamentary Democracy

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Government

Royal Bahamian Defense Force. The Bahamas does not have an army nor an air force, its navy composes the entirety of its armed forces. There is an RCC (Rescue Coordination Center) in Nassau.

Volunteer



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The Bahamas Air Sea Rescue Association (BASRA) is a dedicated non-profit voluntary organization committed to saving the lives of distressed seamen or airmen in the Bahamas. BASRA has one full time administrator Monday thru Fridays 0900 to 1700 who, in addition to administrative duties monitors the radios, and a Controller who monitors the radios at headquarters on weekends. Volunteer Control Teams continue coverage through the Police Control room in the evenings with volunteer Captains and Crews on duty at all times.

On the web at: www.basra.org

Bahamas Habitat Maritime Air Rescue organization a US non-profit organization affiliated with the Methodist Church; they are installing a 50 foot radio antenna in Eleuthra, with SSB and VHF radios, which would make them the high-site in the area to contact BASRA with the object of becoming BASRA's Eleuthra "outpost".

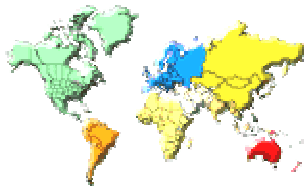
On the web at: www.basra.org www.bahamashabitat.org

Barbados



Capital: Bridgetown. **Population:** 279,000. **Area:** 167 Square miles.
Currency: Barbadian Dollar. **Official Languages:** English.
Government: Parliamentary Democracy

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The Barbados Coast Guard is the maritime element of the Defense Force, with responsibility for patrolling Barbados' territorial waters as well as drug interdiction and humanitarian and life-saving exercises. It encompasses both regular and reserve units. There is an RCC (Rescue Coordination Center) in Bridgetown.

The Marine division of the Royal Barbados Police Force

Volunteer

Formation of a Coast Guard Auxiliary has been proposed to the government and a response is awaited as of June 2009

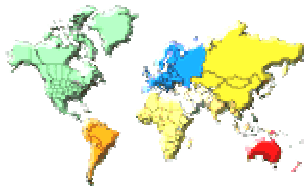
Belize



Capital: Belmopan. **Population:** 320,000 **Area:** 8,859 Square miles.
Currency: Belize Dollar. **Official Language:** English. **Government:** Parliamentary Democracy

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Government



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Belize Defense Force Coast Guard. There is an RCC (Rescue Coordination Center) in Ladyville.

Volunteer

A volunteer Belize Coast Guard Auxiliary is in formation as of June 2009.

Bonaire



Capital: Kralendijk. **Population:** 14,000. **Area:** 113 Square miles.
Currency: NA Guilder. **Official Language:** Dutch, Papiamentu, English.
Government: Constitutional Monarchy

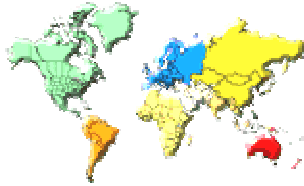
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Government

Royal Netherlands Antilles Coast Guard

Volunteer

KUREBO - Kuerpo di Reskate Boneiru (Bonaire Rescue Team)



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On the web at:

British Virgin Islands



Capital: Road Town. **Population:** 22,000. **Area:** 59 Square miles.
Currency: US Dollar. **Official Language:** English. **Government:** British Overseas Territory

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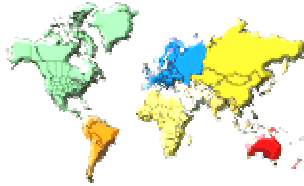
Government

Not known.

Volunteer

Virgin Islands Search & Rescue (VISAR). VISAR was founded in 1988, and was modeled on the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) in the UK, the world's oldest lifeboat service. Like the RNLI, and many other lifeboat services in Europe, it is an independent, volunteer-based organization funded almost entirely by charitable organizations. Since it was formed VISAR has carried out well over 450 search and rescue missions, helped more than 1,200 people in distress and saved over 40 lives.

On the web at: www.visar.org



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Costa Rica



Capital: San Jose. **Population:** 4.5 Million. **Area:** 19,730 Square miles.
Currency: Costa Rican Colón. **Official Language:** Spanish.
Government: Constitutional Democracy

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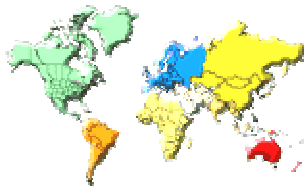
Government

Costa Rica has no military and maintains only domestic police and security forces. A professional Coast Guard was established in 2000. There is an RCC (Rescue Coordination Center) in San José.

Volunteer

None known at the present time

Curaçao



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Capital: Willemstad **Population:** 140,796 (2008 census). **Area:** 444 Square miles. **Currency:** NA Guilder. **Official Language:** Dutch, Papiamentu, English. **Government:** Constitutional Monarchy

Search & Rescue Organizations

Government

Royal Netherlands Navy (KNRM)

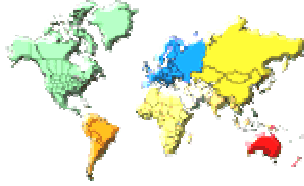
Volunteer

Citizens Search & Rescue Organization (CITRO) is a Search And Rescue Organization in Curacao, Netherlands Antilles at approx. 12N068W, legally anchored in a private foundation. Main activities of CITRO are the search for and rescue of human lives in distress at sea. All activities are performed by volunteers. Per annum approx. 80 lives at stake in a approx. 55 SAR cases are handled by CITRO. There is an RCC (Rescue Coordination Center) in Willemstad.

On the web at: www.citro.org

Dominica





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Capital: Roseau. **Population:** 72,660. **Area:** 290 Square miles.
Currency: EC Dollar. **Official Language:** English. **Government:**
Parliamentary Republic

Search & Rescue Organizations

Government

Royal Dominica Police Force Coast Guard

Volunteer

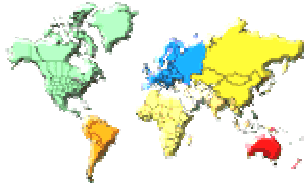
None known at the present time

Dominican Republic



Capital: Santo Domingo. **Population:** 10.1 million **Area:** 18,700 Square miles. **Currency:** DR Peso. **Official Language:** Spanish. **Government:** Democratic Republic

Search & Rescue Organizations



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Government

Responsibility of the Dominican Republic Navy. There is an RCC (Rescue Coordination Center) in Sans Souci.

Volunteer

SAND (Servicio Auxiliar Naval Dominicano), a volunteer Auxiliary of the DR Navy is in formation as of June 2009.

Grenada



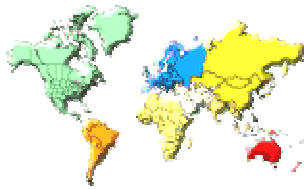
Capital: St. George's. **Population:** 110,000. **Area:** 290 Square miles.
Currency: EC Dollar. **Official Language:** English. **Government:**
Parliamentary Republic

Search & Rescue Organizations

Government

The Grenadian Coast Guard is one of two military branches in Grenada. The Coast Guard's role is search and rescue as well as drug interdiction. It falls under the command of the Commissioner of Police and has a total of sixty personnel in service operating four craft. There is an RCC (Rescue Coordination Center) in St. George's.

Volunteer

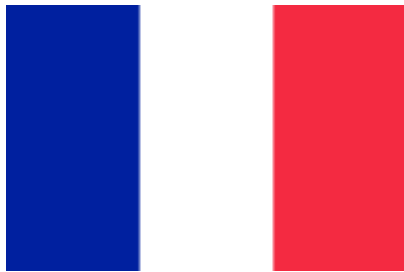


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Guadeloupe



Capital: Point a Pitre. **Population:** 452,000. **Area:** 629 Square miles.
Currency: Euro. **Official Language:** French. **Government:** Overseas
Department of France

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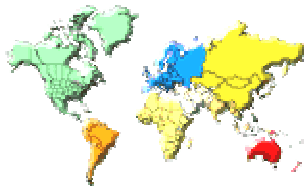
Government

Responsibility of the French Armed Forces.

Volunteer

Société Nationale de Sauvetage en Mer (SNSM), or National Society for Sea Rescue, headquartered in France, includes Martinique, Guadeloupe and St. Martin is a mutual aid association and its members are volunteers. Rescue is free; but cargo salvage must be paid by the ship owner.

On the web at: <http://www.snsm.fr/>



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Jamaica



Capital: Kingston. **Population:** 2.8 million. **Area:** 4,444 Square miles.
Currency: Jamaican Dollar. **Official Language:** English. **Government:**
Parliamentary Republic

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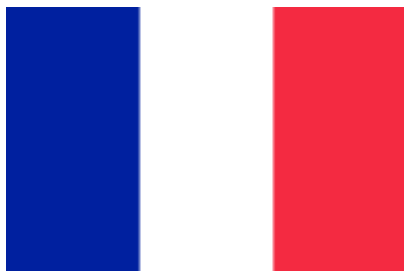
Government

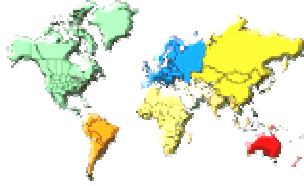
Jamaica Defense Force (JDF) Coast Guard. This is the naval arm of the JDF, and has responsibility for maritime law enforcement and maritime safety. There is an RCC (Recie Coordination Center) in Kingston.

Volunteer

Jamaica Search & Rescue Association (JASAR)

Martinique





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Capital: Fort de France. **Population:** 402,000. **Area:** 436 Square miles.
Currency: Euro. **Official Language:** French. **Government:** Overseas
Department of France

Search & Rescue Organizations

Government

Responsibility of the French Armed Forces. There is a Maritime Rescue Coordination Center (MRCC) located in Fort-de-France.

Volunteer

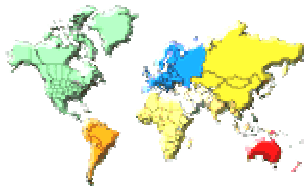
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On the web at: <http://www.snsm.fr/>

Puerto Rico



Capital. San Juan. **Population:** 4 million. **Area:** 3,515 Square miles.
Currency: US Dollar. **Official Language:** Spanish & English.
Government: Self-governing territory of the United States



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USCG Sector San Juan at www.uscg.mil/sectorsanjuan/

FURA Marine Police . The United Forces of Fast Action (Fuerzas Unidas de Rapida Accion) is a unit/bureau that coordinates and leads all strategies for introduce to fight the trafficking of drugs, narcotics, illegal weapons and illegal aliens on a effective way. This unit includes specialist divisions such as: Air Unit, Divers, Rescue, and S.W.A.T. This Unit/Bureau also coordinates with U.S. federal agencies to fight crime. There is an RCC (Rescue Coordination Center) in San Juan.

On the web at:

www.gobierno.pr/PoliciaPR/Organizacion/OficinaFuerzasUnidasRapidaAccion/

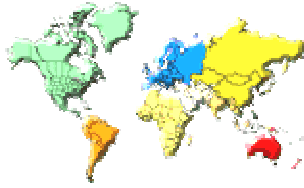
Volunteer

US Coast Guard Auxiliary Division 070-01

On the web at: www.cgauxpr.org/

Republic of Panamá





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Capital: Panamá City. **Population:** 3.3 million. **Area.** 29,000 square miles. **Currency:** Balboa & US Dollar. **Official Language:** Spanish .
Government: Democratic Republic

Search & Rescue Organizations

Government

Not known at present. There is an RCC (Rescue Coordination Center) in Panamá City.

Volunteer

None known.

Saint Kitts and Nevis



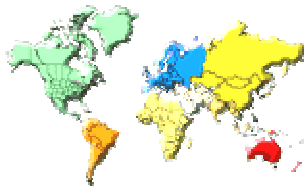
Capital: Basseterre **Language:** English. **Population:** 43,000. **Area:** 101 Square miles. **Currency:** EC Dollar. **Government:** Parliamentary Republic

Search & Rescue Organizations

Government

Royal SKN Police Force marine unit

Volunteer



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None Known

St. Lucia



Capital: Castries. **Population:** 72,660. **Area:** 290 Square miles.
Currency: EC Dollar. **Official Language:** English. **Government:**
Parliamentary Democracy

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Government

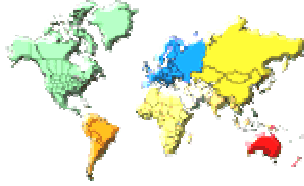
Royal St. Lucia Police Force Marine Unit

Volunteer

None Known

Sint Maarten





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Capital: Philipsburg. **Population:** 35,000. **Area:** 13 Square miles.
Currency: NA Guilder. **Official Language:** Dutch, English, Papiamento.
Government: Constitutional Monarchy

Search & Rescue Organizations

Government

Royal Netherlands Antilles Coast Guard

Volunteer

SSRF - St Marten Sea Rescue Foundation together with the islands Saba and Sit Eustatius are the local rescue organizations on call 24/7 to execute search and rescue operations at sea within their territorial waters.

On the web at:

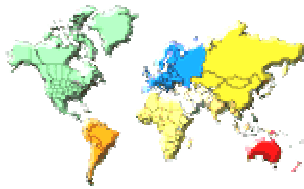
Saint Martin



Capital: Marigot. **Population:** 35,200 **Area:** 20 square miles. **Currency:** Euro. **Official Language:** French. **Government:** Territorial Council

Search & Rescue Organizations

Government



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Jurisdiction of French SRR in Martinique

Volunteer

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On the web at: <http://www.snsm.fr/>

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines



Capital: Kingstown. **Population:** 120,000. **Area:** 150 Square miles.
Currency: EC Dollar. **Official Language:** English. **Government:**
Parliamentary Democracy

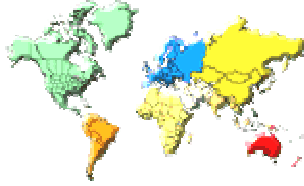
Search & Rescue Organizations:

Government

Royal Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Police Force Coast Guard Unit

Volunteer

None known



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Trinidad and Tobago



Capital: Port of Spain. **Population:** 1.3 million. **Area:** 1,978 Square miles. **Currency:** T&T Dollar. **Official Language:** English. **Government:** Parliamentary Republic

Search & Rescue Organizations

Government

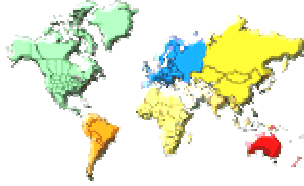
The *Trinidad and Tobago Defense Force* (TTDF) is the military organization responsible for the defense of the twin island Republic of Trinidad and Tobago. It consists of the Regiment, the Coast Guard, the Air Guard and the Defense Force Reserves. There are RCCs (Rescue Coordination Centers) in Port of Spain and North Post.

Volunteer

None Known

Turks & Caicos Islands





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Capital: Cockburn Town. **Population:** 30,000. **Area:** 166 Square miles. **Currency:** US Dollar. **Official Language:** English. **Government:** British Overseas Territory

Search & Rescue Organizations

Government

Turks & Caicos Marine Police

Volunteer

Turks & Caicos Rescue Association (TACRA)

UNITED STATES

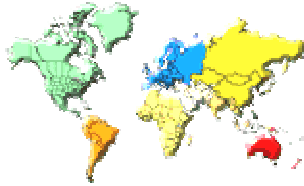


Capital: Washington DC. **Population:** 306 million. **Area:** 3.7 million Square miles. **Currency:** US Dollar. **Language:** English. **Government:** Constitutional Republic

Search & Rescue Organizations

Government

United States Coast Guard: Principal Caribbean coverage through USCG Seventh District from Sector San Juan and Sector Key West .



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On the web at: www.uscg.mil

Volunteer

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary: Principal Caribbean coverage through USCGAUX Seventh District, Division 070-13 (Florida Keys) and Division 070-1 (San Juan) .

On the web at: www.cgaux.org , <http://cgaux7.org/> ,
<http://a07013.uscgaux.info/> and www.cgauxpr.org/

UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS



Capital: Charlotte Amalie. **Population:** 108,500. **Area:** 134 Square miles.
Currency: US Dollar. **Official Language:** English. **Government:**
Unincorporated US Territory.

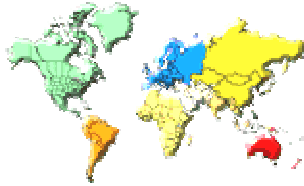
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Government

United States Coast Guard

Principal Caribbean coverage through USCG Sector San Juan.

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Volunteer

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Principal Caribbean coverage through USCG Auxiliary Division 070-16 in the USVI