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**WEEK OF 23-FEB-2021**

Good morning Shipmates,

We have another Continuing Leadership Education topic coming up. The DISR Food Services team is pleased to deliver two (2) special training sessions for AUX-Food Services. These sessions are for those members that hold the AUX-FS qualification and for the general membership that may be interested in the Food Services program. It will also cover skills and techniques to use in your own home kitchen.

The Zoom link is below,

**INTRO TO FOOD SERVICES | Saturday, February 27 from 0900 to 0950**

Intro to Food Services class will be held on Saturday, February 27 from 0900 to 0950. Participants will learn the basics of the FS program and how to become involved and qualified.

**FOOD SAFETY & SANITATION | Saturday, February 27 from 1000 to 1150 OR Wednesday, March 3 from 1900 to 2050**

All AUXFS are required to pass an annual exam focused on food safety and sanitation. We will cover all of the necessary points required to successfully serve as an AUXFS and prepare you to take the exam immediately following the session.

If you are not yet an AUXFS, this class will offer excellent tips on how to maintain safety and sanitation in your home kitchen and will prepare you for a possible future in the AUXFS program.

We have selected the following dates to conduct these workshops:

**Saturday, 27 February -10 AM-12 PM and Wednesday, 03 March - 7 PM-9 PM**

This is a great way to both introduce and promote the AUXFS program and to give FS members the opportunity of meeting the 2021 Annual mandatory FS requirements.

The point of contact for any question or concerns for the calls is:

Monica Couillard.

[monica2325@hotmail.com](mailto:monica2325@hotmail.com)

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**Topic:** AUXFS SANITATION WORKSHOP

**Time:**

Feb 27, 2021 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

**Join Zoom Meeting:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87574428812?pwd=d1VZQ1VGW24xZG9Yc1JOMnM1SngrUT09>

**Meeting ID:** 875 7442 8812

**Passcode:** 852954

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## Boat Crew



To register for 2021 Boat Crew Training program [CLICK HERE](#)

*serious inquiries only*

The world of Surface Operations is exciting, fast paced and demanding. It is also potentially very dangerous. The most important aspect of the program is safety. The Surface Operations staff holds regular training workshops and activities to keep all Boat Crew members current on issues involving program administration, operational skills, procedures and safety.

When operating under orders, qualified Auxiliary Coxswains and Crew members, while assigned to duty are considered to be Coast Guard Coxswains and Crew and Auxiliary Boats, while assigned to authorized duty, are deemed to be Coast Guard boats. This means that, to be a member of a boat crew it is not enough just to know how to run a boat; Coxswains and Crew members must be able to operate the Coast Guard way. This entails a greater level of thoroughness in planning, seamanship, in crew coordination and in all levels of boating safety. It also involves certain procedures and paperwork, all of which is necessary for Auxiliary Surface Operations to perform its function of assisting the active duty Coast Guard.

When Auxiliary Surface Facilities (boats) are underway, they have extra safety equipment and extra safety procedures to offer greater protection than the average boater may have. However, the most important piece of safety gear each Auxiliary Boat can have is a well trained crew.



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To become involved in the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Surface Operations Program applicants must complete the Auxiliary Boat Crew Qualification Program.

Remember Boat Crew Training requires a significant commitment of time and on the part of trainees and mentors. Additionally, prior to enrolling, trainees must by BQ (or higher) status, have completed Intro to Risk Management and submitted the attached 7101 COVID Risk Assessment Form to their FC.

Any questions may be directed to SO-OP Charles "Drew" Wilkins or SO-MT Ted Wadsward

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***David Mooney***

Division Commander 014-05

District Directorate Chief - Special Events, D1SR

United States Coast Guard Academy Admissions Partner

 **United States Coast Guard Auxiliary**

Attachments area

Additionally, Division 05 is gauging interest in new trainees. Mentoring will be offered subject to COVID restrictions, availability and student demand.

Auxiliarists wishing to join the BCT program *for the first time* are invited to indicate their interest by completing this form [here](#).

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[Preview attachment Update 5- NOVEL CORONAVIRUS \(COVID-19\) - D1 AUXILIARY AWARENESS AND GUIDANCE.pdf](#)



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[Preview attachment coast\\_guard\\_auxiliary\\_mustang\\_order\\_form.pdf](#)

We are moving into the VE season so I suggest your first purchase be the ODU's in addition, you may want to order a life jacket (see attached)

If you are interested in purchasing a PFD for your use, attached is the order form for mustang survival. Please note this is not just for boat crew, if you complete a boat crew qualification, the Coast Guard will issue you a vest with the proper equipment. This would be for VSC and other programs, you could use this as a trainee for boat crew.

You must fill out the order form and email the completed form to: [orders@mustangsurvival.com](mailto:orders@mustangsurvival.com)

If you have any questions about the process call: 1-800-526-0532 and then press 1 to connect with customer service.

Price is based on the General Services Administration (GSA) contract and change each year. Below are the current prices for the versions that are recommended for use:

- 1) MV1254 v34 - \$134.76
- 2) MD3183 v34 - \$251.89

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FM: CHDIRAUX  
TO: ALAUX  
ALAUX 004/21

Subj: 2021 STUDENT ART CONTEST SOLICITATION

1. All Auxiliarists are encouraged to read the following ALCOAST 056/21 which invites submissions of art from all students in grades K-12 across the Americas (North America, Central America, South America, and the Caribbean) with the theme of "Seafarers: At the Core of Shipping's Future." Auxiliarists are encourage to spread the word among family and friends with students who may be interested in participating.

Respectfully,  
Captain Scott L. Johnson  
Chief Director of Auxiliary (CG-BSX)

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ALCOAST 056/21  
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SUBJ: 2021 STUDENT ART CONTEST SOLICITATION

1. All students in grades K-12 across the Americas (North America, Central America, South America, and the Caribbean) are invited to participate in the annual Student Art Contest sponsored by the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), the North American Marine Environment Protection Association (NAMEPA), and the Inter-American Committee on Ports of the Organization of American States (CIP-OAS). The theme for this year's contest is "Seafarers: At the Core of Shipping's Future," which is also the theme for the International Maritime Organization's 2021 World Maritime Day.
2. Shipping via waterways transports about 90% of the items people use every day: clothes, cars, furure, toothbrushes, phones and computers. Global trade relies on shipping, which relies on personnel who work on ships, known as seafarers. The 2020 global pandemic, COVID-19 has brought into focus the important role of seafarers in the maritime



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- industry. Many seafarers are facing extended time at sea due to COVID-19 related restrictions some enduring months apart from their families. In 2021, the focus on the well-being of seafarers is forefront in the safe delivery of the world's goods and energy.
3. All students in grade K-12, including the family of Coast Guard members, are eligible to participate in the art contest. Additionally, students living outside of the Americas and the Caribbean who have one or more parent on active duty in the Coast Guard may also participate. Entries must be made online by 31 March 2021 at the following link: <https://namepa.submittable.com/submit/181404/seafarers-at-the-core-of-shippings-future>. For more information and rules please visit: <https://namepa.net/education/art-contest/>.
  4. Twelve finalists, six from grades K-5 and six from grades 6-12, will be chosen from the entries. Each finalist will be required to submit their original artwork when notified of their selection. The winning artwork will be retained and featured on the USCG, NAMEPA and CIP-OAS websites as well as published in a twelve-month calendar. The calendar will be printed in English and Spanish.
  5. All finalists will receive a certificate and a calendar. Two grand prize winning artists (one from each grade category) will receive a cash prize from NAMEPA and a USCG-themed package.
  6. Coast Guard Partnership in Education Coordinators and volunteers are asked to share this announcement with teachers and to encourage student participation in all local schools.
  7. The POC for this ALCOAST is Mrs. Shawntell Williams, [shawntell.d.williams@uscg.mil](mailto:shawntell.d.williams@uscg.mil).

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<http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=V-DEPT&category=WORKSHOPS>

Any questions regarding the course please reach out to FSO-MT Fisch

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## Becoming a Vessel Examiner

### UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY 2021 VESSEL EXAMINER WORKSHOP 10 March 2021

"So how do I become a certified Vessel Examiner?" Excellent question and easy to answer!

The process of qualifying as a Vessel Examiner is quite simple;

1st – You must locate all the materials that you will need. You should read and understand all the material! This should be done before you take the online Vessel Examiner Exam located at the National Testing Center (NTC). You might consider having a VE mentor to help you study and prepare you for the final VE exam.

Since these materials can be difficult to locate, we have developed a list and provided links for you to make it easier. These links will help guide you through the various reading material needed to successfully pass the online Vessel Examiner Exam:

#### Vessel Examiner Materials with LINKS

- The VSC Manual **M16796.8A** can be found at [this link](#). Change one can be found at [this link](#). Print the VSC manual to use as a study guide.
- You should also be familiar with **Forms ANSC-7003, ANSC-7008, ANSC-7012, and ANSC-7038**. They can be found on the forms page at [this link](#).
- Additional guidance is available using a PowerPoint presentation for performing VSC's on PWC's ([this link](#)) and Paddle Craft Virtual VSC ([this link](#)).
- Be familiar with the current VSC workshop ([this link](#)).

#### Vessel Safety Check Exam/Requirements

Now, you should be ready to take the exam. Go to <http://ntc.cgaux.org/> and take the online Vessel Examiner Exam. This is an open book exam and you will get your results as soon as you complete the exam. You can retake this exam as many times as you need if you don't pass it the first time around. This online exam has 30 questions with a three hour time limit and the passing score is 90%. The exam has multiple choice questions with four possible answers; however, only one answer is the best answer.

2nd - Once you successfully pass the online Vessel Examiner Exam, you will need to reach out to your flotilla Member Training or Vessel Examiner staff officers, to aid you in locating a current/qualified Vessel Examiner to





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assist you in the next step of the process. You then will need to complete five (5) supervised Vessel Safety Checks using the ANSC 7012 under the watchful eye of this current/qualified Vessel Examiner.

3rd - After you have completed your five (5) supervised Vessel Safety Checks, the supervising Vessel Examiner must properly report the VSC's on a ANSC 7038 form, listing you as a "TRAINEE", and themselves as the "LEAD". Once the 7038 form is completed and submitted to the flotilla Information Services staff officer, they will enter it into AUXDATA.

4th – Once it is shown in the AUXDATA/AUXINFO system as having completed both the online Vessel Examiner exam, and five (5) Vessel Safety Checks, as a TRAINEE, then your flotilla will need to follow your Districts procedures regarding entering your certification into AUXDATA.

The key to becoming a great Vessel Examiner is all in the training. It can be done by classroom instruction along with hands on training, or by self-study along with some hands-on training. For additional training aides, visit the V-Directorate web site using [this link](#).

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## **Looking for Instructors (Rescheduled)**

We are looking for instructors interested in conducting these courses, as well as members who are interested in qualifying for the Instructor Qualification. Exact schedule TBA. If interested, please contact AUX John McNamara VFC, FSO-PE at: [cgauxjwm@gmail.com](mailto:cgauxjwm@gmail.com)

**Suddenly in Command (2 hours):**

**Personal Watercraft Course (1 hour):**

**Paddler's Guide to Safety (1 hour):**

**Waypoints (1 hour):**

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