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SUBJ: RENAMING COAST GUARD DISTRICTS – UPDATE

1. On July 3, 2025, the Coast Guard announced that it renamed all operational districts to more familiar, geographic names (see attached ALCOAST 305/25, FD28-RENAMING COAST GUARD DISTRICTS for more information). On July 8, 2025, the Auxiliary National Commodore (NACO) announced via L2 message that the Coast Guard Auxiliary will follow suit and adopt similar nomenclature. As no Coast Guard district lines were redrawn and current geographic areas of responsibility (AOR) remained the same, all current geographic Coast Guard Auxiliary district and regional AORs remain intact.

2. This ALAUX provides an update to NACO's July 8<sup>th</sup> L2 message. All Auxiliary district and regional names remain the same as identified in that message. The table below only adds approved abbreviations for the new district and regional names and their legacy AUXDATA II codes remain the same.

| Legacy CG District Name | New CG District Name    | New CG District Abbreviation | Legacy Auxiliary District/Region Name | New Auxiliary District/Region Name        | New Auxiliary District/Region Abbreviation | AUXDATA Code |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| USCG First District     | USCG Northeast District | CGD-NE                       | First Northern Region                 | USCG Northeast District - Northern Region | CGD-NE-NR                                  | 013          |
|                         |                         |                              | First Southern Region                 | USCG Northeast District - Southern Region | CGD-NE-SR                                  | 014          |
| USCG Fifth District     | USCG East District      | CGD-E                        | Fifth Northern Region                 | USCG East District - Northern Region      | CGD-E-NR                                   | 053          |
|                         |                         |                              | Fifth Southern Region                 | USCG East District - Southern Region      | CGD-E-SR                                   | 054          |
| USCG Seventh District   | USCG Southeast District | CGD-SE                       | Seventh District                      | USCG Southeast District                   | CGD-SE                                     | 070          |

| <b>Legacy CG District Name</b> | <b>New CG District Name</b> | <b>New CG District Abbreviation</b> | <b>Legacy Auxiliary District/Region Name</b> | <b>New Auxiliary District/Region Name</b>  | <b>New Auxiliary District/Region Abbreviation</b> | <b>AUXDATA Code</b> |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| USCG Eighth District           | USCG Heartland District     | CGD-H                               | Eighth Western Rivers                        | USCG Heartland District - Western Rivers   | CGD-H-WR                                          | 085                 |
|                                |                             |                                     | Eighth Eastern Region                        | USCG Heartland District - Eastern Region   | CGD-H-ER                                          | 082                 |
|                                |                             |                                     | Eighth Coastal Region                        | USCG Heartland District - Coastal Region   | CGD-H-CR                                          | 081                 |
| USCG Ninth District            | USCG Great Lakes District   | CGD-GL                              | Ninth Western Region                         | USCG Great Lakes District - Western Region | CGD-GL-WR                                         | 095                 |
|                                |                             |                                     | Ninth Eastern Region                         | USCG Great Lakes District - Eastern Region | CGD-GL-ER                                         | 092                 |
|                                |                             |                                     | Ninth Central Region                         | USCG Great Lakes District - Central Region | CGD-GL-CR                                         | 091                 |
| USCG Eleventh District         | USCG Southwest District     | CGD-SW                              | Eleventh Northern Region                     | USCG Southwest District – Northern Region  | CGD-SW-NR                                         | 113                 |
|                                |                             |                                     | Eleventh Southern Region                     | USCG Southwest District – Southern Region  | CGD-SW-SR                                         | 114                 |
| USCG Thirteenth District       | USCG Northwest District     | CGD-NW                              | Thirteenth District                          | USCG Northwest District                    | CGD-NW                                            | 130                 |
| USCG Fourteenth District       | USCG Oceania District       | CGD-O                               | Fourteenth District                          | USCG Oceania District                      | CGD-O                                             | 140                 |
| USCG Seventeenth District      | USCG Arctic District        | CGD-A                               | Seventeenth District                         | USCG Arctic District                       | CGD-A                                             | 170                 |

3. Other important items of note because of the changes are as follows:

- The renaming and abbreviations are effective immediately and are not retroactive.
- The impacts of the new district and regional names and abbreviations on AUXDATA II and other databases are still being determined but are expected to be minimal.
- The wearing of any Auxiliary article of clothing/uniforms (e.g., Auxiliary unit ball caps) is still authorized until new uniform gear is updated.
- The presentation of legacy challenge coins is still authorized until stocks are depleted.
- Please update all administrative titling/correspondence, websites, logos, and any other branding to reflect these changes.
- Legacy district/regional flags are still authorized for use and shall be subject of review at the upcoming National Training Summit in August.

4. For more information, please reach out through your Chain of Leadership and Management (COLM).

5. Internet release is authorized.

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\*\*\*For many reasons including the value of keeping communication lines clear and open as well as facilitating access to training and educational tools, all Auxiliarists are urged to have their own email address and to keep it updated in AUXDATA II.\*\*\*

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\*All ALAUX's are posted on the Chief Director of Auxiliary web site located at:  
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If you have a question regarding this ALAUX, please seek resolution within your Chain of Leadership and Management (COLM) including up to your servicing District Director of Auxiliary (DIRAUX). If your question still cannot be resolved after that, then please email  
[CGAUX@uscg.mil](mailto:CGAUX@uscg.mil).

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SUBJ: FORCE DESIGN 2028 - RENAMING COAST GUARD DISTRICTS

A. Force Design 2028 Executive Report

1. At the direction of Secretary Noem and aligned with the transformational change described in REF (A), the Coast Guard will rename all operational districts to more familiar, geographic names. Today, we are announcing our intention to immediately begin using the new names internally and externally, alongside the legacy district numbers. Updates to the Code of Federal Regulations to formally change the names will follow.

2. While operating as part of the Navy during World War II, the Coast Guard adopted the legacy Navy numbered district system to ensure alignment between the services. In the 80 years since the Coast Guard separated from the Navy, the Service has maintained the numbered districts. However, the Navy stopped using numbered districts over 25 years ago and the Coast Guard's current system is confusing for the public we serve. It is critical that the American public and maritime stakeholders can easily find and understand which Coast Guard district they live, boat, and operate in. Geographic names will simplify the ability to identify districts with their areas of responsibility.

3. Districts will be renamed as follows:

District 1 will become USCG Northeast District

District 5 will become USCG East District

District 7 will become USCG Southeast District

District 8 will become USCG Heartland District

District 9 will become USCG Great Lakes District

District 11 will become USGC Southwest District

District 13 will become USCG Northwest District

District 14 will become USCG Oceania District

District 17 will become USCG Arctic District

4. This change will not impact operations or change existing geographical district boundaries.

5. The Coast Guard will change district names in the Code of Federal Regulations in coming months and additional information will be provided to enable communication of these changes with critical stakeholders and the public.

6. As the Coast Guard continues its transformation to a more agile, responsive, and capable fighting force, renaming districts will ensure the most familiar, localized support to the communities we serve.

7. Semper Paratus.

8. ADM Kevin Lunday, Acting Commandant (CCG), sends.

9. Internet release is authorized.