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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 8th 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

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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.

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.

*All ALAUX's are posted on the Chief Director of Auxiliary web site located at:
[CHDIRAUX ALAUX](#)

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
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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.