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# Auxiliary Marine Safety Professional (M Pro) Device Program Guidebook



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### Introduction

The Auxiliary Marine Safety Professional (M Pro) device was created pursuant to the establishment of the Coast Guard Marine Safety device. It recognizes the culmination of Auxiliary training and qualification in the Coast Guard needs-based program. This program is divided into three sections:

- Education (reading and courses training)
  - Learning the Mission phase (on-the-job training)
  - Proficiency (work accomplished within the mission for a minimum of 5 years / 96hr per year)
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### 1. Program Goal

The goal of the Auxiliary M Pro Program is to encourage active participation by Auxiliarists in marine safety and environmental protection missions and programs.

The program is structured to develop and provide the requisite training and qualifications for Auxiliary members to participate safely and productively, and to recognize this participation and service. The program establishes minimum education, training, and service requirements to be completed by an Auxiliarist to earn entitlement to wear the Auxiliary M Pro device.

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## 2. PQS Requirements

16 Qualifications are authorized by the Coast Guard, and 2 qualifications are authorized by the Auxiliary/DIRAUX. These qualifications require sign-offs by qualified Verifying Officers designated by the Sectors. After completing all sign-offs, taking and passing an oral board, and receiving a Letter of Designation the member will hold that specific qualification.

The application for the M Pro device can be found on the Auxiliary National Prevention website. Do not use applications from other locations, as these may not be current and will result in the application having to be resubmitted on the correct form. The member's application package will consist of:

- Hours spent supporting the mission as documented in AUXDATA II.
- Documentation of fundamental courses that have been completed.
- Four Marine Safety Qualifications (LODs). Discontinued qualifications (LODs) may be used to supplement the requirement.
- Application form filled-out and included with the package.

The completed package is submitted to your DSO-MS for review and sign-off. Thereafter, the package will be submitted to either the Sector Commander or DIRAUX, depending upon the specific qualification.

Awarding of the M Pro device should occur at a D-Train (or other Auxiliary events of equal nature), in order to acknowledge the level of commitment the member invested in obtaining this device.

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## 3. PQS Availability

The Auxiliary National Prevention Directorate and Commandant (CG-612) have developed, reviewed, and approved all M Pro Program course elements. Auxiliary-specific PQSs and active duty and reserve PQSs, as listed in the Marine Safety Manual, Volume I, Administration and Management, COMDTINST M16000.6 (series), are available to members of the Auxiliary for qualification and inclusion, unless specifically prohibited by statute. Authorized qualifications will appear on the Auxiliary National Prevention webpage. Only those qualifications appearing on this page will count toward the device. If any item(s) are waived within the workbook, the qualification will be designated as a "Local Qualification" only and will not count toward the M Pro device.

- Note 1: Additional Auxiliary PQSs are ready for implementation and new workbooks will be developed as needs determine (or deactivated as needs diminish).
  - Note 2: Deactivated qualifications may be used if already held or completed and awarded prior to deactivation.
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- Note 3: Please reference the Auxiliary Prevention webpage and the specific qualification workbook for the full list of courses required for each qualification.

Complete program descriptions and requirements are available through the Coast Guard Auxiliary National Prevention website:

[Welcome to the Prevention Website \(uscgaux.info\)](http://uscgaux.info)

The M Pro Program is currently comprised of the following PQSs (use the above link to see the most current PQS list):

- [Auxiliary Assistant Barge Inspector \(AUX-BI\)](#)
- [Auxiliary Assistant Container Inspector \(AUX-EC\)](#)
- [Auxiliary Assistant Facility Inspector \(AUX-EU\)](#)
- [Auxiliary Assistant Hull Inspector \(AUX-HI\)](#)
- [Auxiliary Assistant K-Boat Inspector \(AUX-KI\)](#)
- [Auxiliary Assistant Life Raft Inspector \(AUX-LR\)](#)
- [Auxiliary Assistant Marine Casualty Investigator \(AUX-FO\)](#)
- [Auxiliary Assistant Maritime Enforcement Investigator \(AUX-EO\)](#)
- [Auxiliary Assistant Pollution Responder \(AUX-ED\)](#)
- [Auxiliary Assistant Suspension and Revocation Investigator \(AUX-FN\)](#)
- [Auxiliary Assistant T-Boat Inspector \(AUX-TI\)](#)
- [Auxiliary Uninspected Passenger Vessel Examiner \(AUX-UPV\)](#)  
(Refer to the following link for more information on UPV program: [Uninspected Passenger Vessels \(uscgaux.info\)](http://uscgaux.info))
- [Auxiliary Uninspected Tow Vessel Examiner \(must have been completed by 17 April 2015\)](#)
- [Auxiliary Assistant Waterways Management Representative \(AUX-WM\)](#)
- [Commercial Fishing Vessel Examiner \(active duty qualification\)](#)
- [Uninspected Towing Vessel Examiner \(active duty qualification\)](#)

#### 4. Discontinued PQS

The following PQSs are discontinued but may be counted toward a ribbon or device if earned prior to date listed:

<u>PQS</u>	<u>Replaced by</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>LOD must be issued by</u>
Marine Environmental Education Specialist	Prevention Outreach Specialist	28 Jan 2010	28 April 2010
AUX Asst Pollution Investigator	AUX Asst Pollution Responder	18 Nov 2011	18 Jan 2012
AUX Asst Harbor Safety Observer	NONE	28 Jan 2010	28 April 2010

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AUX Marine Safety Watchstander	NONE	28 Jan 2010	28 April 2010
AUX Asst Contingency Preparedness Specialist	AUX Asst Contingency Planner	28 Jan 2010	28 April 2010
Port State Control Boarding Team Assistant	AUX Asst Port State Control Examiner	28 Jan 2010	28 April 2010
AUX Asst Pollution Response Specialist	AUX Asst Federal On-Scene Coordinator Representative*	28 Jan 2010	28 April 2010
AUX Asst License and Document Examiner*	NONE	29 April 2014	29 July 2014
AUX Asst License and Document Evaluator**	NONE	29 April 2014	29 July 2014
AUX Asst Federal On-Scene Coordinator Representative***	NONE	12 Dec 2014	12 Dec 2014
Commercial Fishing Vessel Examiner	Revised PQS dated 05 Feb 2016		
AUX Contingency Planner (AUX-ACP)	Moving to EM	01 JAN 2023	
AUX Foreign Freight Vessel Examiner (AUX-FFVE)	NONE	01 JAN 2023	
AUX Foreign Freight Passenger Vessel Examiner (AUX-FFPV)	NONE	01 JAN 2023	
AUX Machinery Inspector (AUX-MI)	NONE	01 JAN 2023	
AUX Machinery Inspector-Steam (AUX-MS)	NONE	01 JAN 2023	
AUX Port State Control Dispatcher (AUX-PSC)	NONE	01 JAN 2023	
AUX Port State Control Examiner (AUX-PSCE)	NONE	01 JAN 2023	

\*Auxiliary Assistant License and Document Examiner (obsolete effective 29 April 2014)

\*\*Auxiliary Assistant License and Document Evaluator (obsolete effective 29 April 2014)

\*\*\*Auxiliary Assistant Federal On-Scene Coordinator Representative (discontinued effective 12 Dec 2014. Auxiliarists are **NOT** to be assigned to duty to perform this position).

**Active duty marine safety qualifications (other than the Commercial Fishing Vessel Examiner and Uninspected Tow Vessel Examiner listed above) are not authorized to be earned by Auxiliarists.** If earned prior to October 2008 they may, however, be counted toward the M Pro device. To be counted, they must be qualifications accepted toward the active duty Marine Safety Professional device.