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Date: January 2009  
To: COMO Mike Williams, COS & District Board/Staff  
From: D11N DSO-OP  
Subject: District OPS Report

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**Link to OPS Reports Archives:**

- <http://ops.d11nuscgaux.info/surface/archive.html>

**REYR – REWK:**

This is the season that we will see all the names come up of those that have not completed their hours on the water, their workshops, NAVRULES and other requirements. For those that make up their time be certain that the hours are entered by there is officer into AUXDATA. DIRAUX cannot not move you out of REWK or REYR without proof that you have completed your required tasks. There is a new MT-3 form that will help you with the above.

**ICS-210 UPDATE:**

When the ICS 210 is recorded it will permanently be recorded in the Training Record. It will not show up on the Training Status Report until a certification (PWC Operator or Coxswain) is earned that requires the course. It will not show up on the Annual Member Letter unless there is a certification that requires it.

D11N has 176 members who require ICS 210 by March 31, 2009. So far 89 have taken the course and we have 24 (that require the course) signed up for the PCA Fair. Another 25+ will be taking it in Utah the end of January. This means that less than 30 Coxswains, PWC Operators and Pilots will need the course after the PCA Fair. Hopefully theses 30 members will take advantage of the ICS-210 classes being offered at DTRAIN. Below is further information that is available on the D11N Operations (Surface) Web Site.

***Incident Command System (ICS)***

**All operational members are required to complete ICS training. Actions are listed on the [OTO Bulletins](#).**

**Courses may be studied and exam taken on-line:  
FEMA Emergency Management Institute**

- IS 100 - [Introduction to Incident Command System](#)
- IS 200 - [Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents](#)
- IS 700 - [National Incident Management System \(NIMS\), An Introduction](#)
- IS 800 - [National Response Framework, An Introduction](#)

**When you take the test on line it is not automatically transferred to your record in AUXDATA. The positive ICS and Operations Policy Test results need to be faxed, emailed or snail mailed into the office. Be sure to keep copies for your record. Remember that OPS Policy Test results are not recorded in AUXDATA.**

**Please send your positive ICS and Operations Policy Test results to DIRAUX for entry into AUXDATA: **OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF AUXILIARY****

Eleventh Coast Guard District -- Northern Region (dpa-n)

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Alameda, CA 94501-5100

**Clarification of Coast Guard ICS-210 Training for Auxiliary -08/18**

[AL AUX Message 7/24/08](#)

**DO NOT REPLY:**

Please do not hit reply when receiving messages from "ePostmaster 11N". Morris Farmer is our electronic postmaster, but he does not write the messages. Please respond to the person that wrote the message. Morris sends operational messages to all members of D11N who are listed in AUXDATA as being crew/coxswain qualified, and who have valid email addresses set up properly in AUXDATA. The addressee list is "automatically" generated from the official database source (AUXDATA). Whenever you change your email address (or phone or mailing address, etc.) for any reason, you must notify your Flotilla IS officer and put in the proper paperwork to update AUXDATA. That also automatically updates the email address used by POMS, etc., as well as all other Auxiliary mass mailings, by the way.

**Cooler Weather Requirements:**

The below was sent out by Linda Vetter and since it was so timely as well and well written I did a "copy and paste" to share with all.

"First of all, a reminder to all coxswains that with the colder weather coming, you and your crews is likely to need to be in proper protective gear (e.g., "mustangs") for any upcoming patrols. The rules as stated in the CG manuals are that these are required when the air temperature is less than 80 degrees and the water temperature is less than 60 degrees (other issues, like sea conditions and proximity of other SAR assets, can also affect things). While "waivers" are often granted when the air temperature is in the 70's, etc., and we've had some balmy weather lately, those "summer months" are likely behind us for awhile.

Also please note that it is the coxswain's responsibility to check the air/water temperature (and other weather conditions) prior to getting underway, to see what conditions and requirements exist. For the SF Bay area, if you want to use the same sources as the local CG stations, here's the web links:

For Station San Francisco AOR, they use the Alameda NDB (National Data Buoy) at:  
[http://seaboard.ndbc.noaa.gov/station\\_page.php?station=aamc1](http://seaboard.ndbc.noaa.gov/station_page.php?station=aamc1)

For Station Golden Gate's AOR, they use the National Weather Service site at:  
<http://forecast.weather.gov/preview.php?site=MTR>

You can click on various locations (and zoom in, etc.) to get "local" weather data. Of course, you can only get water temperature where the buoys or other sensors are located. Please add these links to your "favorites" list on your web browser to have handy before future patrols (or just future boating outings). Don't be calling the stations asking for waivers when the temperatures are above the thresholds so that waivers are not even needed. Also please note that in the cases where the thresholds to drop the mustangs are not quite met and you want to be considered for a waiver, that you need to 1) first gather the required information (air temperature, water temperature, sea conditions, proximity of other SAR assets, etc.), then 2) call your local AOR control (the Station you are working with, or Sector if you are on Inland Lakes or other locations without a local Station) and be able to pass them the required information so that their OIC/CO can determine if a waiver can be granted (and you both should log it all)."

*Thank you Linda*

### **MUSTANGS: BE AWARE!!**

We have had several circumstances where our members have become dehydrated and/or over heated while underway and wearing Mustangs. Be aware of your fellow crew members, make certain everyone drinks water and if one of the crew does not feel well return to shore and take care of the problem. For some of us Mustangs act as an oven, overheating can be as dangerous as hyperthermia.

### **FLOAT PLANS:**

A great website for float plans. Pass this on to recreational boaters as you come across them, also great for our Vessel Safety Check Examiners to hand out. Take the search out of Search and Rescue.

<http://www.floatplancentral.org/download/USCGFloatPlan.pdf>

### **NAV RULES REMINDER:**

**Nav Rules are now due on the five-year anniversary date of the original test and Coxswains (or PWOs) no longer have until 31 December to do their 5-year requalification.** This means that your currency can and will expire in AUXDATA during a calendar year when you hit this 5 year anniversary date and you will fall automatically into REYR status and not be able to request orders. If this happens, your local DIRAUX office will have to re-instate you after you have taken the requalification test.

### **FACILITY NOTES ON EXPIRATION DATES: From OPS Policy Manual:**

The below is for those that do not put their reimbursement request into POMS in a timely manner nor get their Facility Inspections done when due.

"Patrol orders will not be issued to a facility that does not have a current inspection. The OIA must ensure each facility is currently inspected and displays the appropriate type of facility decal(s) before orders are issued. Only facilities with a current inspection may display any Auxiliary flag, insignia, or decal. See Chapter 3 for details on flag and insignia display. Facilities

must be inspected and a new offer for use must be completed on an annual basis. **A facility shall be deemed to have a current inspection if no more than one year plus 45 days have lapsed since passing its last inspection.** This guidance supersedes the Auxiliary Vessel Examiner Manual, COMDTINST M16796.2 (series). Facilities not "offered for use" are not entered into AUXDATA. "

ALSO..

Chapter 1 Section C (page 1-9) states

Auxiliarists offering facilities must forward the current Facility Inspection and Offer for Use Forms, appropriate to the facility type, to the Director for action in accordance with district procedures (see Appendix E for forms for vessels, aircraft, and radio facilities). **This authorization is valid for a specific mission or time period up to one year plus 45 days, unless specifically revoked by the owner.** Auxiliarists offering special purpose facilities must forward the current Offer for Use letter to the Director for action in accordance with district procedures (see paragraph B.1 of this chapter).”

### **FACILITY PATROL SIGNS:**

Another reminder about patrol signs from the Operations Policy Manual (3-13):

“Auxiliarists operating Auxiliary surface facilities on patrol must prominently display the patrol signs shown in figure 3-5. These signs must be visible on both sides of the facility. A facility must not display patrol signs while it is not assigned to duty. If a facility is on ordered patrols for consecutive days, patrol signs may remain displayed during periods of non-use.”

I mention the above because we do have new Coxswains and facilities owners that may not be aware of the policy.

### **AUX LIFE JACKET REQUIREMENTS, FROM NATIONAL, AS OF NOV 11<sup>TH</sup> 2008**

“After special consideration for our Auxiliary members safety by the Coast Guard, the inflatable vests listed in the Rescue and Survival Systems Manual, COMDTINST M10470.10F will continue to be authorized after 01 JUN 2009 for use on facilities that can exceed 50 MPH in lieu of Type III dynamic strength tested vests rated for 50MPH.

**Specifically, the vests as listed in the R&SS Manual are:**

- \* LSC 485CG INFLATABLE
- \* LSC 481CG/481CGM INFLATABLE
- \* MUSTANG MD3183 INFLATABLE
- \* MUSTANG MD0450 22 INFLATABLE

### **UPCOMING OPERATIONAL EVENTS:**

2009	UNIT	LOCATION	CONTACT
APR 30-MAY 3	OPTREX FLOTILLA 39	ANTLERS, LAKE SHASTA	POC: <a href="#">Charlie Duncan IPDCP</a>
JUN 6-7	OPTREX DIV 7	JORDANELLE RES. UTAH	POC: <a href="#">Dick Holle</a>
AUGUST 6-9	OPTREX DIV 7	STRAWBERRY RES.	POC: <a href="#">Dick Holle</a>

2008 OPERATIONAL HRS RECAP AND PAST HISTORY

Mission Hours as values	CHART - Aton/Chart Update Patrol (03)	LOG - Logistics Mission (54a)	REGATTA - (02) Regatta/Safety Zone Support	SAFETY - (01a) Maritime Observation (Mom)	TRN - (22a) Ops Training (Qualifications)	AUXMP - Marine Patrols (01a,01b,02,03,22a,54a,55a)
11NR - Div 01	7.90	1.00	49.30	1,885.50	459.90	2,458.60
11NR - Div 03	120.50	2.00	395.50	3,202.60	734.40	4,542.80
11NR - Div 04	15.80	11.40	165.10	741.30	162.10	1,113.70
11NR - Div 05	76.30	0.00	474.70	2,797.20	1,477.10	4,856.30
11NR - Div 06	0.00	0.00	319.80	495.10	104.00	918.90
11NR - Div 07	0.00	0.00	171.50	5,085.40	0.00	5,256.90
11NR - Div 08	10.00	22.00	83.00	1,165.10	677.00	2,163.00
11NR - Div 10	16.80	0.00	74.50	728.30	147.10	966.70
11NR - Div 11	26.00	41.00	450.70	245.10	521.70	1,284.50
11NR - Div 12	179.40	40.00	51.30	1,121.50	556.90	1,949.10
11NR - Eleventh Northern	452.70	117.40	2,235.40	17,467.10	4,840.20	25,510.50
2007	478.70	57.40	1,191.00	20,313.40	4,296.50	26,681.50
2006	375.30	0.40	875.70	19,018.20	4,052.70	24,527.30

Please use this link for past DSO-OPs Reports and Robert Peterson's "Coxswain Shack" articles: <http://ops.d11nuscgaux.info/surface/archive.html>

Respectfully Submitted, Gail

**REQUIREMENTS BEFORE REQUESTING A QUALIFICATION EXAMINER:**

The below information has been requested again. Suggestions how to make it simpler are welcome.

<p>All tasks in the AUX Boat Crew Qualification Guide are to be signed off by a Mentor. The below tasks are included in the qualification guides for Crew, Coxswain and PWC Operator but here is a run down of some of the classes and tests that are required. All tasks are to be done prior to requesting a Qualification Examiner.</p>		
<p><b>Crew:</b>          Can be in an AP Status          ICS 100          ICS 700          8 Hour TCT (Within past 5 years)</p>	<p><b>COXSWAIN:</b>          Be BQ Qualified          Not be in REYR as a Crew Member          28 Hours underway as a qualified Crew Member          8 Hour TCT (Within past 5 years)          ICS 100          ICS 200          ICS 700          ICS 800          ICS 210 (in place by March 31, 2009)          Initial Written Closed Book NAV Rules #75          (Within past 5 years) Proctored by QE          Operations Policy Test</p>	
<p><b>PWC Operator:</b>          8 Hour TCT          ICS 100          ICS 200          ICS 700          ICS 800          ICS 210 (in place by March 31, 2009)          Initial Written Closed Book NAV Rules # 075 (Within past 5 years) Proctored by QE          Operations Policy Test</p>	<p><b>Schedule for Three Year Re-Qualifications:</b>           Last check ride 2004—was due in 2008          Last check ride 2005/2006—due in 2009          Last check ride 2007—due in 2010          Last check ride 2008—due in 2011   <i>Please have your FSO-IS check the status of when you are due and plan accordingly.</i></p>	
<p><b>FC arranges for two Facilities, that have qualified Crew and Coxswains to man the vessels (NOTE: QE CANNOT COUNT AS PART OF QUALIFIED CREW)</b></p>	<p><b>FC contacts Chief QE Coordinator: COMO <a href="#">Gail Ramsey</a> gives desired date, along with an alternate date that QE is needed.</b></p>	<p><b>Proficiencies both dockside and on the water; will be demonstrated for the QE's signature. If candidates come from more than one Flotilla please have all candidates' names on one form. Only one form per QE session.</b></p>

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