



UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

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FIRST DISTRICT, SOUTHERN REGION - DIVISION 22 FLOTILLA 22-01, HUNTINGTON, NY FLOTILLA COMMANDER, BOB HOEY

The Huntington Yacht Club has a proud relationship with the US Coast Guard Auxiliary since the CGAUX inception. Many HYC members are also members of the CGAUX. Please contact Stan Sommers for membership information or Lenny Mestrandrea for Vessel Safety Checks. The CGAUX Huntington Flotilla meets at the Huntington Yacht Club on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm (1930). All are welcomed!

The United States Coast Guard is a branch of the U.S. Armed Forces under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. The Coast Guard is the principle Federal agency responsible for maritime safety, security, and environmental stewardship in U.S. ports, and inland waterways.

The U.S. Coast Guard has about 40,000 active-duty personnel, 7,000 reservists, 8,500 full-time civilian employees and 31,000 auxiliary members. The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary (CGAUX) is the civilian uniformed volunteer of the United States Coast Guard established by Congress in 1939.

The CGAUX purpose is to augment the U.S. Coast Guard, though it is non-military and has no law enforcement authority. The CGAUX's primary mission is to promote boating safety upon the inland and coastal waters of the United States of America.

The CGAUX operates in.

- Safety and Security Patrols
- Search and Rescue
- Mass Casualty or Disasters
- Pollution Response and Patrols
- Homeland Security
- Recreational Boating Safety Education, Information and Resources
- Commercial Fishing and Vessel Exams and Recreational Vessel Safety Checks
- Platform for Boarding Parties
- Recruit for all service in the Coast Guard.

Membership is open to all men and women who are citizens of the U.S. and is seventeen years of age or older. There are no specific physical standards that must be met to enroll in the Auxiliary. Auxiliarists decide on the level of participation they would like to do. To be certified in an operational discipline, Auxiliarists must demonstrate their ability, mobility, and endurance to satisfactorily complete performance-based training and qualification tasks. There is an annual dues under \$100.00 a year. Certain missions may require you to purchase the appropriate uniform.

The CGAUX has recently started a youth program with the Boy Scouts of America Sea Scouts for young men and women ages 14 years through 20. Any Sea Scout may choose to become a full member of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary.

CGAUX Benefits include.

- A sense of pride and personal satisfaction supporting our country.
- Access to USCG and CGAUX advanced training.
- Use of USCG Exchanges (CGX)
- Eligibility for USCG orders and assignment to duty
- Armed Forces Vacation Club
- Government & Armed Forces Travel Cooperative (GovArm)
- Pentagon Federal Credit Union (PFCU)
- Many discounts with Shopping, Travel, Auto Rental, Insurance etc.
- <https://www.cgauxa.org/member-benefits.html>