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Greetings Shipmates. Welcome 2023 and hopefully you all had an enjoyable holiday. We welcome our new bridge with anticipation of new opportunities to build on our past success and endeavor to promote the Auxiliary and grow membership. Our ability to meet these challenges depends on each one of us to make a dedicated effort to support our missions and each other. Let's make 2023 the **"Year of Opportunity"**. *We are Team Coast Guard and Family!*

"Tomorrow is the first blank page of a 365-page book. Write a good one." – [Brad Paisle](#)

Semper Paratus

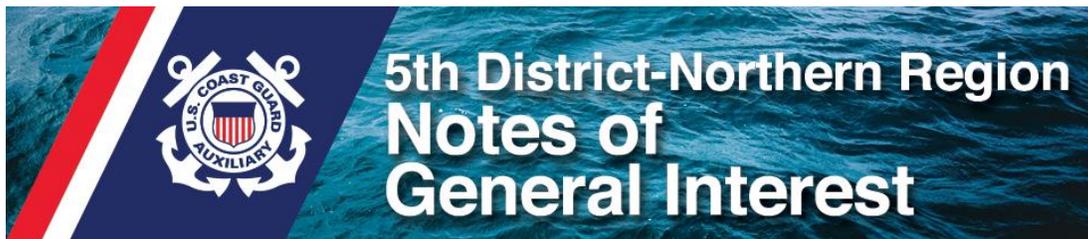
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Auxiliary *E2Solutions* Travel Portal Training on 26 JAN

U.S. Coast Guard Recruiting Initiative

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AUX ETS Training

Using *E2Solutions* For CG Travel

***New Travel Portal Offers Direct Scheduling
and Faster Reimbursement for Auxiliarists***

To All Auxiliarists:

You Are Invited to an Online Orientation Session on
Using *E2Solutions* for Coast Guard Travel order issuing and
reimbursement. During the session you will be shown step-by-step
how to use the system

Session Agenda

- FSMS supplier request form
 - Password protecting form prior to submission
- Logging into [ETS](#)
- Travel Authorization (done before traveling)
- Travel Voucher (done after traveling)
- Process for Local travel
- Questions?

V/R,

Mickey Price, CWO4

USCG D5NR

CG Auxiliary OTO

Microsoft Teams Meeting

ETS Online Training Link - 26JAN23

THURSDAY, 1800h (6pm-7:30pm) EST

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Or call in (audio only)

[+1 410-874-6742,,109636548#](#)

Phone Conference ID: **109 636 548#**

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Links to Attachments

[ETS Document 1](#) [ETS Document 2](#) [ETS](#)



The U.S. Coast Guard *Needs YOU* **To Recruit Enlisted Personnel**

Everyone is A Recruiter (EIAR) Program

**Earn \$1000 Referral Bonus For Each
Recruit**

The U.S. Coast Guard is in serious need of additional personnel. To meet their needs the Coast Guard is renaming its recruiting program to **Everyone is a Recruiter (EIAR)** and doubling the incentive TEAM Coast Guard members receive for getting someone to enlist to \$1,000.

The rebranded “Scout Talent and Refer” (STAR) program has been significantly expanded. In addition to active duty, reserve and civilian employees, Auxiliarists and retirees are now eligible to participate. All those successfully making a referral will earn **both a Letter of Commendation (or Appreciation) and the \$1,000 bonus.**



EIAR also removed the restriction on prior service recruits. Participants can earn an award for recruiting active duty and reserve enlisted personnel, as well as anyone enlisting in the Coast Guard for the first time, even if they have previously served in the military. You will also qualify if you recruit someone with prior service in the Coast Guard who is not currently affiliated with SELRES, IRR, or ISL.

The Recruiting Command Incident Management Team (IMT) worked with Coast Guard leadership to implement these changes and improve our referral program as low unemployment continues to make it difficult to meet recruiting goals.

Since EIAR program launched in June, 242 employees and members have taken part. The service has already awarded 193 Letters of Commendation and 49 \$500 cash incentives.

But there’s still more to do, notes Capt. Richter Tipton. “To make sure the Coast Guard stops being the best kept secret in government service, we need everyone’s help,” he said. “Talk to lots of people, tell

them about your best day in the Coast Guard, and give us their contact information. The more people you can interest in the Coast Guard, the more people we can recruit – and the more money and formal recognition you can get, too.”

The best way to refer a candidate is via the email found [here](#).

Members are encouraged to submit only high quality referrals. You can find guidance on what that means [here](#).

Note: Members serving in a recruiting assignment or assigned duties which could be perceived as causing a conflict of interest are not eligible to take part in EIAR.

How does it work?

Incentives for the program will be awarded using an established process. The recruiter will register the referral when processing the candidate. You'll become eligible to receive the incentives when the recruit starts boot camp and confirms you as the referring member as a process integrity check.

Additional information on all Coast Guard recruiting initiatives can be found [here](#).

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United States Coast Guard
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

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FM: CHDIRAUX
TO: ALAUX
ALAUX 002/23

Subj: 2023 NATIONAL WORKSHOPS

Ref: (A) Auxiliary Manual, COMDTINST M16790.1 (series)

1. **National Operations Workshops**. The Surface and Telecommunications Workshops are required for 2023. The Air Operations Workshop is a mandatory task included as part of the Air Station Safety Workshop. Like 2022, the National Operations Workshops (Surface/Air/Telecommunications) may be completed via webinar. The workshop training material(s) must be delivered by an Auxiliarist qualified in the respective operations program provided they are either a certified instructor or are under the supervision of a certified instructor. Instructors may use any webinar delivery platform that is available in their region. Instructors are encouraged to work with their Chain of Leadership and Management (COLM) to determine the proper delivery platform. **Self-Attestation is NOT permitted for any of these National Operations Workshops.** The workshops will relay significant, needed information and will take longer than 1 hour (possibly 2 hours) to complete, please plan accordingly. Details for the 2023 required National Operations Workshops are listed below:

a. **Surface Operations Workshop**. This workshop is required for all boat crew coxswains, boat crew members, personal watercraft operators, paddle craft operators, and those currently training for any of these competencies, including members in Required Yearly Not Met (REYR) status who intend to regain their certification.

b. **Air Operations Workshop**. This workshop is a required element of the annual Air Station Safety Workshop. It is required for all pilots, air crew, air observers,

and those currently training for any of these competencies, including members in REYR status who intend to regain their certification.

c. Telecommunications Workshop. This workshop is required of all operators and owners of Auxiliary Radio Facilities. It is required of those currently holding Telecommunications Operator (TCO), or in training for TCO qualification, and those who are using AUXCOM as their “grandfathered” qualification for radio operation. This does not apply to the operation of radios on aircraft or vessels which are covered by crew certification.

d. The 2023 National Operations Workshop presentations (Air, Surface, and Telecommunications) are located at the National Response Directorate web page at the following link: [National Operations Workshops - 2023](#)

e. Instructors of these workshops must submit a Workshop Mission and Attendance Report (ANSC-7039) to their IS officer for entry into AUXDATA II.

2. **National Vessel Examiner and Instructor Workshops**. The Vessel Examiner (VE) and Instructor (IT) Workshops are required for 2023. These workshops are intended to be viewed by members and completion logged via a self-attestation form as described below. These workshops may also be facilitated by an Instructor via webinar or in person as District COVID-19 Protocols permit.

a. VE Workshop. This workshop is required for all certified Vessel Examiners, and those currently training to become Vessel Examiners, including members in REYR status who intend to regain their certification. The VE workshop presentations are located at the National V-Directorate website (in the Member Zone) at: [2023 National VE Workshop](#). The workshop may also be accessed at: http://wow.uscgaux.info/Uploads_wowII/V-DEPT/2023_VE_workshop_Dec_4_22.pdf

b. IT Workshop. This workshop is advised for all certified Instructors, and those currently training to become Instructors, including members in REYR status who intend to regain their certification. The IT workshop is located at the E-Directorate website "What's New!" page (in the Member Zone) at: [2023 E-Directorate Workshop](#). In addition, members can go to [Workshops \(uscgaux.info\)](#) and find the 2021, 2022, and 2023 IT Workshops in archive.

c. Members who individually view the VE or IT workshops in their entirety must submit a Workshop Attestation Form to their FSO-IS for entry into AUXDATA II. In order to make data entry easier, IS officers may collect forms for all their members required to complete these workshops and make one entry into

AUXDATA II using the last day of the month of the Activity/Task Completion date. This form is located in the same location as the VE and IT Workshop presentations listed above. Note: When adding the VE workshop task to Activity Logs in AUXDATA II use the task named "Vessel Examinations Workshop" in the Workshops task category list.

d. If the workshop is facilitated by an Instructor in a webinar or group setting, the Instructor must submit a Workshop Mission and Attendance Report (ANSC-7039) to their IS officer for entry into AUXDATA II.

3. **National Culinary Assistance Specialists Sanitation Workshop**. This workshop is required for all Auxiliary Culinary Assistance Specialists and those currently training for this competency, including members in REYR status who intend to regain their certification. Please follow the instructions on the Auxiliary Culinary Assistance Specialists Website for completing the Annual AUXCA Sanitation Workshop. After completing the workshop and passing the required test on the National Testing Center, course completion will be logged into AUXDATA II via the National Testing Center course results upload. There is no need to create separate activity logs for completion of this course in AUXDATA II. The appropriate DSO-CA will automatically be notified of course completion. The workshop is available through the Auxiliary Human Resources Directorate web page/Divisions tab at: [National Auxiliary Culinary Assistance Website](#)

4. Per chapter 8.B.1.g of reference (A), all ***required*** workshops must be completed no later than 30 June 2023. If not completed by **30 June 2023**, members required to complete those workshops will have their affected competencies place into Required Workshop Not Met (REWK). If a required workshop is not completed by 31 December 2023, the affected competencies will be placed in REYR status.

- The Air Operations Workshop is a required element of the annual Air Station Safety Workshop. Both workshops must be completed by the end of 2023. The task should be entered into AUXDATA II for participants.

5. Questions should be directed to the appropriate Chain of Leadership and Management (COLM).

6. 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.***

*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 CGAUX@uscg.mil.

FROM OUR MEMBERS WHO SUPPORT OUTSIDE EVENTS

Thanks Doug DiToro for this submission and your support!



The Four Chaplains Memorial

Foundation Annual Awards Dinner

Thursday, February 2, 2023

**be a part of history as we celebrate the
80th Anniversary of the Four Chaplains story.**

Our 2023 GOLD Medallion recipient:

**Mr. Kenneth Wong President CIG Asia, Ltd
Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army, Pennsylvania,
East (CASA)**



(As the CASA he is responsible for promoting good relationships between the Army and the public and advising the Secretary of the Army on regional issues.)

Board Member of:

American Red Cross

Liberty USO of Pennsylvania and

Southern New Jersey

PHL Convention Center and Visitors

Bureau

Greater Philadelphia Veterans Network

American Heritage Federal Credit Union

Central High School of Philadelphia

The Philadelphia Dragon Boat Association

Chairman, Independent Director of:

USA Badminton Association

Member of: The Union League of Philadelphia

Armed Services Council

But Most Importantly: A great supporter of Veterans issues on the local, state and national level.

Note to Philadelphia Chapter Companions:

If you are interested in attending please contact LTC Sue Kirlin, Chapter Adjutant/Treasurer skirlin@aol.com for Chapter participation



Companion CPT Doug DiToro was also congratulated on his activities as Chapter Adjutant, Veterans Outreach Coordinator and auxiliary member of the USCG. Also presented with a certificate is Capt. Jonathan Theel-USCG Comm.-Sector Delaware Bay for providing a tour of Sector in October.

FROM OUR VICE FLOTILLA COMMANDER'S DESK

I'm Bob Corrigan, and I'm very pleased to be your new Vice Flotilla Commander (VFC). I've spent my first two years in the Auxiliary focusing on Operations, successfully qualifying as both boat crewmember and coxswain. In addition, I continue to serve as an Ombudsman for Sector Delaware Bay, and as a U.S. Coast Guard Academy Admissions Partner, assisting young men and women interested in a career in the Coast Guard. I'm awed by the myriad of opportunities for service that exist within our auxiliary.

My achievements in the boat crew program would not have been possible without the dedication of those who spent enormous hours training and mentoring me. Mentorship, and leadership, is necessary for any organization to succeed, and it is in this spirit I've chosen to take on VFC. I want to thank Scott Sigman for his leadership as Immediate Past Flotilla Commander, who mentored and encouraged me my first two years. I'm excited to serve under Flotilla Commander Allaire Corbett, an experienced Auxiliarist who will lead us brilliantly. My duty is to execute her vision for our great Flotilla by coordinating the Staff to execute our missions. There are no hard lines between staff; each staff function has an important contribution to our overall mission which requires us to work together as a team. For those who currently serve as a staff

officer, thank you for your dedication and I look forward to working with you. For those interested in serving, your help is greatly needed! There is great reward in service, and I if we aren't all having fun, we are doing something wrong.

I'm thrilled that I've found an opportunity to continue to serve our nation, and the fellowship that comes from knowing incredible people like all of you. I've always admired our Coast Guard and feel privileged we, together, execute the Coast Guard mission. I'm excited by what this year will bring, and I look forward to hearing your ideas and serving beside you.

Sincerely,
Bob Corrigan



FROM THE EDITORS DESK



Thanks to all who contributed to our 2022 Flotilla Newsletter. Your continued support helps make this a truly member-orientated publication. I look forward to your continued support in 2023 and beyond.

Happy Birthday to those December and January members! Make 2023 outstanding!!!

