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General

The Marine Safety program is an avenue for Auxiliary to assist the Active Duty by becoming qualified in one or several areas. The Auxiliary qualifications mirror Active Duty qualifications. Some of which can be performed independently of the Active Duty while others allow us to work side by side with Active Duty. In both cases the Auxiliary acts as a direct force multiplier. On the tasks where we act independently of the Active Duty the Auxiliary member is able to perform duties of an Active Duty member. On the tasks where we work side by side with the Active Duty the Auxiliary member teams up the Auxiliary member can replace one of the Active Duty members of the team.

Acronyms and Abbreviations

ADSO-MS	Assistant District Staff Office – Marine Safety
AUXDATA	Auxiliary Data Base System, Limited Limited Access
AUXINFO	Auxiliary Information System Unlimited Access
AUX-ACP	Assistant Contingency Preparedness Specialist
AUX-CI	Assistant Container Inspector
AUX-ED	Assistant Pollution Investigator
AUX-EK	Assistant Harbor Safety Officer
AUX-ET	Assistant Pollution Response Specialist
AUX-EU	Assistant Facilities Inspector
AUX-MEES	Marine Environmental Education Specialist
CFVE	Commercial Fishing Vessel Examination
DSO-MS	District Staff Office – Marine Safety
FSO-MS	Flotilla Staff Officer – Marine Safety
SO-MS	Division Staff Office – Marine Safety

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Trident	Common name for the Auxiliary Marine Safety Pin
MISLE	Marine Information System for Law Enforcement
UTV	Uninspected Towing Vessel
UPV	Uninspected Passenger Vessel

References

Need to add later, once we work out what/if we need any.

Trident web site Address <http://www.auxmdept.org/TridentProgram.htm>

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Marine Safety Introduction

This is not Trident, you may apply and work on only one qualification if you choose and not do any work on the others or complete prerequisites for Trident in order to work in Marine Safety.

The Marine Safety and Environmental Protection ("M") Department is responsible for the planning and administration of Auxiliary programs to support the Coast Guard's Marine Safety and Marine Environmental Protection ("M") Directorate's Programs.

This support includes, but is not limited to, support for marine environmental response assistance, port safety and security inspections, commercial vessel safety and security inspections (UTV, UPV, CFVE and other Foreign and Domestic Vessels) container inspection assistance, mariner licensing/documentation/ course audits, public affairs, area contingency planning, waterways management, America's Waterways Watch, MISLE support, and environmental education.

Because of the diversity and breadth of the program overseen by the Prevention (M) Department, and the diversity of those programs which are both Direct Augmentation of Coast Guard Programs and are Auxiliary programs exclusively this site is a portal to sites dedicated exclusively to specific programs.

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Qualifications Available to Auxiliary in Sector Baltimore

While there are 27 Marine Safety qualifications available to the Auxiliary not all are offered at each Sector. The qualifications offered at each Sector will depend on the activity and needs of the Sector. Many of the qualifications will require traveling to Sector Baltimore both for the training and to be able to engage in the activity after becoming qualified.

The following are the only ones being supported by Sector Baltimore at this time.

Assistant Container Inspector (AUX-CI)

Assistant Facilities Inspector (AUX-EU)

Assistant Pollution Investigator (AUX-ED)

Commercial Fishing Vessel Examiner (CFVS)

Uninspected Passenger Vessel Examiner (AUX-UPV)

Getting Involved

Decide on what qualification you would like to pursue.

Contact your FSO-MS as to the training requirements, commitments, task description to confirm your interest.

How to get started

Contact the ADSO-MS for Sector Baltimore at bbeckerusa@yahoo.com

Keep your MS chain informed of your interest, progress and problems.

You will be appointed a qualified auxiliary member as mentor to assist with your training and with issues you may encounter. The mentor may be from outside your division.

What is required

You will be expected to complete the training and continue afterwards to support the active duty MS staff. The training may be difficult and involved, you are expected to seek assistance from both the auxiliary and Active Duty as needed.

You will be expected to fill out the proper paperwork for AUXDATA. This is needed not just for earning awards or recognition, it is a way to measure the program and results.

While the 96 hours a year required to earn the Trident device may seem out of reach, hours do add up

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and may turn out to be well within reach. However even if you have no interest in earning the Trident device reporting your hours shows interest/activity in the program.

Some of the Qualifications will require visiting Sector during the week, if regular travel to Sector weekdays is not practical then you should review other Marine Safety qualifications. Some can be performed locally to you but will require visits to Sector for training. Again decide if this is a good fit for you.