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Welcome Aboard the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary's 5th District Southern Region!



You will achieve a substantial return on investment for time spent familiarizing yourself with the following resources.

1. New Member Overview (4 files: **PROSPECTIVE MEMBER PAMPHLET • NEW MEMBER HANDBOOK • NEW MEMBER REFERENCE GUIDE • NEW MEMBER STUDY GUIDE**)
2. Member Involvement Plan (2 files: **MEMBER INVOLVEMENT PLAN • MEMBER INVOLVEMENT PLAN SLIDESHOW**)
3. Uniforms (4 files: **UNIFORMS-NEW MEMBER • ODU UNIFORM • UNIFORM PROCUREMENT GUIDE • SPECIAL UNIFORM ISSUE**)
4. Courtesy and Protocol (2 files: **COURTESY AND PROTOCOL • CHAIN OF LEADERSHIP**)
5. Member Training (2 files: **MEMBER TRAINING QUALIFICATIONS • INTRO TO AUXCHEF**) plus an Operations Training Folder containing 5 files (**BOAT CREW TRAINING MANUAL • SEAMANSHIP MANUAL • COXSWAIN GUIDE • CREW MEMBER QUALIFICATION • OPERATIONS POLICY MANUAL**) These are just some of the many training resources available through the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary! Also visit <http://www.cgaux.org>.
6. Auxiliary Manual and Forms (8 files: **AuxMan • 7028 • Form 7029h • Form 7030h • 7029h powerpoint tutorial and pdf • 7030h powerpoint tutorial and pdf**) <http://forms.cgaux.org/forms.html> is your source for many forms.

A wealth of information can be overwhelming! Keep in mind you can review content at your convenience in several small manageable time blocks.

The sooner you review the contents of the first four categories above, the better awareness you'll attain of how to make the most of your involvement.

The remaining two categories contain very important useful larger reference materials (AuxMan etc.) that are learned over time. Peruse them initially, but plan to familiarize yourself with them more thoroughly over time.

Access additional resources and recent issues of our district's official publication *The Blinker* and The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary's publication *The Navigator* by visiting our district's website <http://www.uscga5sr.com>.

Use these resources in conjunction with the tremendous resources offered to you by the many dedicated members of your flotilla, division, and district who are all committed to supporting you as you chart your course and make progress toward rewarding service in the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary!