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**U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
District 11 Northern Region**

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Date: September 2013
To: Richard Thomas, COS, EXCOM, District Board/Staff
From: D11N DSO-OP, Commodore Gail L. Ramsey
Subject: District OPS Report/ Respectfully Submitted

HIGHLIGHTS:

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OTO CORNER:

Summer's over!

First off, thanks to all you Facility owners, Coxswains, Crews, and PWC Operators. It was a great operational season that, by all accounts, was mishap-free and extremely productive. Back in Jersey, we referred to September/early October as "Locals' Summer". The weather was still nice, but the tourists had gone back to work and the kids back to school. I was known to sneak away a few mornings after Labor Day to surf and lounge at the shore...kid free. I hope you find some time for the same as your local waterways slow down.

OTO TDY through 9/24/13

I'm off to the Leadership Development Center at the Coast Guard Academy for two weeks of professional development training. I've been assured that I'll be a much better Officer once I've graduated...let's see. In the meantime, I will not be available to inspect or issue Personal Protective Equipment until September 24th at the earliest. That means that PPE will not be issued on a walk-in basis during PCA Fair on 7-8 SEP 13.

It's important for Ops personnel needing PPE to follow this process for requesting PPE.
Please do not contact YN2 Anderson or YN2 Robinson for PPE.

Step 1: Consult the size chart for Standard Issue PPE at our web site:

<http://diraux.d11nuscgaux.info/forms.htm>

The main sizes I need are Type III PFD and Anti-Exposure Coveralls. I can size the SAR vest off of those. At this time, I do not need shoes sizes.

Step 2: Have your FC/VFC/FSO-MA/FSO-OP email me your name, AUXID, and sizes to d11auxnorthern@uscg.mil and request the needed equipment.

Step 3: I'll gather the equipment; build-up what needs built up and coordinate with your FSO-MA to get the equipment headed your way. In most cases, we can arrange a drop off.

Step 4: Once you get the equipment, try it on. DO NOT MARK IT until you know it fits correctly. Complete or update the AF-538 with your FSO-MA and send a copy back to DIRAUX. In most cases the gear will be accompanied with a DD-1149 Shipping Invoice. In those cases, sign both copies and return one to DIRAUX in the enclosed envelope. That's important for accountability.

Step 5: Ensure your FSO-OP creates or updates the Appendix C: Rescue and Survival Systems Maintenance Log for your new equipment. Take care of it and follow the periodic maintenance system.

Again, do not request PPE from YN2 Anderson or YN2 Robinson in my absence. Submit requests through the proper process and I'll tackle all the requests when I return. I promise my TDY trips should be limited to OPTREX's and PPE following this one.

That's it for September, see you out on the water, and think safety...

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PARTOL REQUESTS:

Please be certain to requests all patrols in AOM (AUXDATA ORDER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM) at least 10 days in advance.

WHAT TO EXPECT FROM A QUALIFICATION EXAMINER:

The below for all candidates and organizers information.

- QEs are to observe – NOT part of the crew
- QE's **are not to train** – they are to **observe and evaluate**.
- Do not include as part of crew when completing your orders

Primary Goal:

- Qualify / certify candidates
- Coxswains: Ultimately responsible for the safety of the crew and facility
- Boat Crew: Competent to perform tasks required / license to learn
- There is a chance that not everyone will succeed in qualifying.
 - Your QE will explain the deficiencies and areas that need more work.
 - This should not be taken as a "failure", more as an opportunity to learn.

SAFETY # 1

- Priority – safety of crew & vessels
- Primary safety – QEs
- QE may stop an exercise at any time for safety reasons

Timeline:

- Oral Exams for Initial Coxswains & Crew:
 - Conducted prior to on-the-water to determine if candidate is prepared
- Underway
- Back to dock & Debrief

Facilities:

- All must be under orders & have orders on board
- All must have minimum ‘legal’ crew
- All on board must be in proper uniform
- Radio Guard – who?
 - 30 minute Ops Reports
 - Who initiates Ops Reports?

Questions:

- Any questions?
- Any concerns to discuss in private?
 - See “lead QE” after briefing

Assignments:

- Review boat assignments for QEs and candidates

Organizer’s Comments:

- Anything to add?
- Any concerns?

PATROL REMINDER (WHEN CAN I PATROL):

All, it is that time of year again for this reminder.

From Memorial Day to Labor Day the AUX can do reimbursable patrols on Fridays through Mondays as extended weekends in the summer, and do non-reimbursable patrols Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (or reimbursable for Coast Guard requests). From Labor Day to Memorial Day only weekends or approved Holidays unless requested by the Coast Guard. Be certain to fill in the comments section, on your order request, with the name and phone number of the Coast Guard Active Duty member that gave you the request. All other days you can still do non-reimbursable patrols.

OPS CALENDAR

For flyers, regarding these events please go to the District Calendar

OPERATIONS EVENT CALENDAR

AS OF: 4 SEPT 2013

DATE	SPONSOR	EVENT	QEs	LOCATION & POINT OF CONTACT
SEPT 20-22	DIV 10	OPTREX	YES	MILLERTON LAKE ROD ROLLINS svalleyrod@aol.com
OCT 4,5,6	FLT 5-5	OPTREX	YES	BODEGA BAY WILL SUMNER 707-763-1565
OCT, 26, 27	FLT 3-10	OPTREX	YES	DELTA DEAN LACHAPELLE 916-686-6065

2013 UNDERWAY HOURS FOR D11N:

[Cube last refreshed on Sunday, September 01, 2013.](#)

[All Missions][Sector San Francisco][All Facilities][All Unit Locations][U/W - Underway][CY 2013][All Statuses][All Positions][All Operations][All Claimants]MEASURES

Underway Mission Hours as values	11NR - Div 01	11NR - Div 03	11NR - Div 04	11NR - Div 05	11NR - Div 06	11NR - Div 07	11NR - Div 08	11NR - Div 10	11NR - Div 11	11NR - Div 12	Sector San Francisco
AUXMP - Marine Patrols (01a,01b,02,03,22a,54a,55a)	1,443.60	2,784.70	472.20	2,638.50	885.20	3,173.30	683.30	383.30	793.90	538.20	13,796.20
	1,443.60	2,784.70	472.20	2,638.50	885.20	3,173.30	683.30	383.30	793.90	538.20	13,796.20
GOVSUP - Government Agency Support (41,42,43)	0.00	144.50	0.00	64.70	2.00	0.00	66.30	23.00	8.00	0.50	309.00
	0.00	144.50	0.00	64.70	2.00	0.00	66.30	23.00	8.00	0.50	309.00
SAR - Search And Rescue (23,24)	9.00	87.70	0.00	89.70	6.50	264.40	66.70	23.80	2.00	0.50	550.30
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All Missions	1,452.60	3,016.90	472.20	2,792.90	893.70	3,437.70	816.30	430.10	803.90	539.20	14,655.50

Respectfully Submitted,
Gail