

## **Clarification of Incident Command System (ICS) Requirements for USCG Auxiliary Members**

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1. USCG Auxiliary members have shown exceptional adaptability and "can do" spirit in complying with the USCG/NIMS requirements for completion of ICS coursework. The purpose of this ALAUX is to provide further clarification on the ICS requirements for auxiliary forces.
2. Members who provide operational support to the Coast Guard (participants in the surface operations, air operations, operations planning, CMDCCEN/OPCCEN/Comms watchstanding, fixed/mobile radio facility operators and port security or marine safety programs) and Auxiliary leaders (unit leaders and staff officers in operations, telecommunications, aviation or marine safety) should have completed the IS 100 and IS 700 courses by 30 JUN 06.
3. Members in higher leadership positions (Division Captain, Vice Captain and Division Staff Officers as outlined above) or single resource leaders (Auxiliary coxswains, pilots, any member qualifying in the trident program or any other team/task force leader) should have completed IS 200 and 800 by 30 SEP 06.
4. Other members identified by a CG unit commander as a critical resource in incident response should complete coursework as their situation dictates.
5. If the member has not completed the required coursework, they should not participate in any Coast Guard exercise, drill or response event. Members seeking to qualify in an operational program must complete courses appropriate to the position prior to certification by DIRAUX.
6. Members must be fully compliant with the requirements listed above by 31 DEC 07. Failure to complete the requisite coursework by this date will preclude their participation in the program for which the coursework was required. Operational members who are not compliant with coursework requirements will be placed in "REYR" and will not be issued patrol orders. Eligibility for elected or staff officer positions will require completion of ICS coursework as described above.
7. ICS-210, Initial Incident Commander, is a classroom course designed for single resource leaders and type 5/type 4 incident commanders. This 4 hour classroom course will be required for Auxiliary coxswains, pilots, any member qualifying in the trident program or any other team/task force leader. Given the limited access to this course, no date for completion has been determined. Single resource leaders are highly encouraged to take ICS 210 if the opportunity is available.
8. USCG Auxiliary members are valued members of response operations. The Auxiliary operational support and leadership components must be ready to respond as needed to an incident and this training is vital to achieving operational readiness.