



Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety

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What is a CFVS Program



CFVS Examiner Profile

- Must know how to read CFVS Regulations.
- Must have extensive training on commercial fishing vessel safety practices.
- Must have agility to climb ladders and work in tight spaces.
- Must be willing to travel to various locations at inconvenient times.
- Must have very good “people skills”.
- Must have a commitment to the program and to the fishermen.

Program Goals

- Recruit, train and support Auxiliary examiners
- Support MSO's with an active and effective Examiner and Dockwalker team.
- Promote safe practices in the commercial fishing vessel industry.
- Further reduce the number of fishing vessel accidents, injuries and fatalities.

How We get the Job Done

- Cooperation is the key at the local level
 - ✓ Branch Chiefs/Branch Assistants
 - ✓ District Staff Officers
 - ✓ Regional CFVS Coordinator
 - ✓ Marine Safety Office personnel

How We get the Job Done

- Training
 - ✓ "C" Schools at Regional Locations
 - ✓ Standardized training at local levels
 - ✓ Refresher training at MSO locations

Challenges We Face...

- ✓ Geographic and climate situations
- ✓ Regional economic situations
- ✓ Different practices among MSOs
- ✓ Changing Mission within Coast Guard
- ✓ Additional funding to keep up with Auxiliary mission demands.
- ✓ Accountability within Auxdata.
- ✓ Uniform training standards

What We have to Offer

- CFVS offers a broad-based program
- Members can perform a variety of tasks suitable to their situations.
- Positive interaction with the fishing community as an Auxiliarist representing the Coast Guard safety efforts.
- Provide the Coast Guard with additional manpower as an CFVS Examiner.

Current Training Opportunities

- CFVS School-Yorktown, VA.
- On the Job training with active duty and reserve Coast Guard Personnel.
- New PQS requirements for Auxiliary members mean we're working out of the same qualification manuals.

A Look at the Future...

- Better communication between staff and examiners.
- Improved reporting among Auxiliary Staff.
- Enhanced support for Examiners working in the field.
- Enhance working relationship with MSO's and the fishermen.

Who Are these People?

- Branch Chiefs

- Name

- Location

- Accomplishments this year.

- Time limit 5 minutes...the clock is ticking.