



2013 NACON AUXOP PROGRAM OVERVIEW



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OVERVIEW

- What is the AUXOP Program?
- How do I achieve the AUXOP qualification?
- Where can I find training information
- Hints and Suggestions on becoming an "Operational Auxiliarist" or "AUXOP"



WHAT IS THE AUXOP PROGRAM?

- AUXOP is one of the qualification levels available to Auxiliarists:
 - AP – Applicant Pending
 - IQ – Initially Qualified
 - BQ – Basically Qualified
 - AX or AX2 – Operational Auxiliarist
- AUXOP qualification is achieved by completing a program of core, leadership and elective courses.



WHAT IS THE AUXOP PROGRAM?

- Courses allow Auxiliarists to:
 - Better understand Coast Guard missions & procedures
 - Better assist the Coast Guard
 - Achieve higher proficiency in executing missions
- Auxiliarists now completing the requirements receive:
 - New AUXOP designation (AX2)
 - Certificate of qualification
 - Uniform insignia to wear



HOW DO I ACHIEVE THE AUXOP QUALIFICATION?

Auxiliarist must successfully complete a minimum of 7 credits in three categories of courses:

- Required Courses – 3 credits
- Leadership Courses – 1 credit
- Elective Courses – 3 credits



REQUIRED COURSES

- Auxiliary Weather Specialty Course (AUXWEA) – 1 credit
- Auxiliary Seamanship Specialty Course (AUXSEA) – 1 credit
- Auxiliary Communications Specialty Course (AUXCOM) – 1 credit



LEADERSHIP COURSES

(required: max of 1 credit in this category)

- Flotilla Leadership Course (FLC) – 1 credit
(Can be taken on-line or in-classroom)
- Auxiliary Leadership and Management (AUXLAMs) – 1 credit (CG C-SCHOOL)
- Auxiliary Mid-Level Officers Course (AMLOC) – 1 credit (CG C-SCHOOL)



LEADERSHIP COURSES

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- Auxiliary District Captain Course (formerly RCO course) – 1 credit (CG C-SCHOOL)
- Auxiliary Senior Officers Course (ASOC) – 1 credit (CG C-SCHOOL)
- AUXOP credit will not be applied for more than one course from this category for a maximum of 1 credit



ELECTIVE COURSES

- Auxiliary Navigation Specialty Course (AUXNAV A & B) – 2 credits
- Auxiliary Search Coordination and Execution Specialty Course (AUXSC&E) – 2 credits
(AUXNAV is desired before taking this course)



ELECTIVE COURSES

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- Auxiliary Aids to Navigation (ATON) and Chart Updating C-School (AUX-06) – 1 Credit

- Coast Guard Incident Command System:
 - ICS 300 Intermediate ICS &
 - ICS 400 Advanced ICS
 - Must complete both courses for 1 credit
 - ICS 210 cannot be used as a substitution



ELECTIVE COURSES

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- Introduction to Marine Safety (IMSEP) – 2 credits
- Auxiliary Air Coordinator C-School (AUX-15) – 1 credit (must have Aircraft Facilities)
- Auxiliary Patrols Specialty Course (AUXPAT) – 1 credit



ELECTIVE COURSES

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Specialty ICS Classes

- ICS 346 (Situation Unit Leader – Type 2/3)
- ICS 347 (Demobilization Unit Leader – Type 2/3)
- ICS 348 (Resource Unit Leader – Type 2/3)
- ICS 430 (Operations Section Chief – Type 2)
- ICS 440 (Planning Section Chief – Type 2)
- ICS 351 (Logistics & Finance Section – Type 3)

- 1 Credit for any of the above ICS courses
- 1 Credit for completion of the Coast Guard PQS for that course = 2 credits total
- Above courses require the approval of the Captain of the Port/CG



ELECTIVE COURSES

(Legacy Course Credits)

- Auxiliary Search & Rescue Specialty Course (AUXSAR) – 1 credit if previously completed
- Auxiliary Administration Specialty Course (AUXMIN) – 1 credit if previously completed



ELECTIVE COURSES NOTES

- There is no time limit to complete the AUXOP courses
- CG-5421 (CHDIRAUX) may add additional elective courses in the future
- AUXDATA has been modified to track the new program requirements



WHERE DO I FIND TRAINING INFORMATION?

- Go to the National Training Directorate Website for more information on AUXOP courses.
- This website also has links to the National Member Training COMPENDIUM that has complete information for all training courses
- Go to: <http://cgaux.org> -> DIRECTORATES -> TRAINING



Welcome to the Training Directorate Web Site

Appropriate and effective training of our members is key to a highly evolved, dynamic, effective, and efficient organization. Training enables us to become valuable partners with the Coast Guard helping them meet mission objectives. Also, we meet our commitment to be of service not only to the maritime community, but the community as a whole.

The Training Directorate is committed to providing the best training available, economically, utilizing the latest techniques in multimedia, online delivery of materials, online distance learning, and online self and proctored testing. Available to members are presentations, videos, instructional guides, DVDs, and online classrooms that cover the skills, interests, and qualifications that our members desire or need to have.

Member Training for All Auxiliarists in All Disciplines

Member Training includes all training provided in and by the Coast Guard and Coast Guard Auxiliary for Auxiliary members. It spans the following directorates: Response, Prevention, Vessel Examination, Public Education, RBS Outreach, Public Affairs, and Training. It includes AUXOP courses, Certification Courses, Public Education Courses, Mandatory Workshops, and Mandated Training. Training sources include Manuals, Power Points, Personal Qualification Guides (PQS), Exams or password protected on-line websites. It is often not clear where to look to find the training material you need or even to know what training is available and what pre-requisites are needed. The National Member Training Compendium was developed to solve this problem.

National Member Training Compendium

The T-DIR has implemented the National Member Training Compendium in the form of an Excel spreadsheet. Its purpose is to provide a single source for ALL Member Training information. The Compendium has active links for: Manuals, Exams, PQS's, and Power Points. It includes links to On-Line courses as well. Additional information includes: pre-requisites, AUXOP credits, and instructions to access some of the password protected training websites e.g. AUXLMS, NTC. Information on how to use the Compendium is found **HERE**. The direct link to the compendium is found here: **COMPENDIUM.**

Committed Professionals

We are a team of committed, volunteer professionals that include educators, media experts, writers and editors, course designers, and leadership experts. The Department is organized into six (6) Divisions: Instructional Services, Advanced Training, Leadership, Distance Learning, Advanced Distance Learning Management, and Training Project Office.

Instructional Services Division

The Instructional Services has a testing and editorial staff that ensures continued improvement in media, examinations, and publications by seeking to standardize the look and feel of our products.

Advanced Training

Our Advanced Training Division team, led by Bob Holm, focuses on the Operational Auxiliarist courses, better known as AUXOP, to ensure that the latest policies, procedures, and techniques are continually incorporated, and that the subject matter is presented accurately. This division incorporates subject matter experts (SMEs) in both writing and field-support capacities.

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The National Member Training Compendium – AUXOP section

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NATIONAL MEMBER TRAINING COMPENDIUM

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SUBJECT	COURSE TITLE	Discipline	CREDITS	NOTES	PRE-REQUISITES	MANUAL	EXAM	PQS	PPT
AUXOP									
AUXWEA	Auxiliary Weather Specialty Course	AUXOP	1	required AUXOP course needs proctored exam		L1	L2	none	L1
AUXSEA	Auxiliary Seamanship Specialty Course	AUXOP	1	required AUXOP course needs proctored exam		L1	L2	none	L1
AUXCOM	Auxiliary Communications Specialty Course	AUXOP	1	required AUXOP course needs proctored exam		L1	L2	none	L1
AUXACN/NAV	Auxiliary Advanced Coastal Navigation	AUXOP	2	proctored exams		L1	xxx	none	L1
AUXSC&E	Auxiliary Search Coordination and Execution	AUXOP	2	proctored exams	AUXNAV or demo nav skills	L24	xxx	none	xxx
AUXPAT	Auxiliary Patrol	AUXOP	1	proctored exams - request PPT from DSO-MT		L1	L2	none	???
IMSEP	Intro to Marine Safety & Environmental Protection	AUXOP	2	no proctor needed for exam		L7	L2	none	none
AUX - 06	Auxiliary Aids-to-Navigation & Chart Updating C-Sch	AUXOP	1	C-School, must be FSO-AN or SO-AN		none	none	none	none
AUXLAMs	Auxiliary Leadership and Management	AUXOP	1	C-School Courses - may require recommendation of DCDR / DCO		L11	L11	none	L11
AMLOC	Auxiliary Mid-Level Officers Course	AUXOP				L11	L11	none	L11
AUXCAPT	Auxiliary District Captain Course	AUXOP				L11	L11	none	L11
ASOC	Auxiliary Senior Officers Course	AUXOP				L11	L11	none	L11
AUXFLC	Flotilla Leadership Course	AUXOP		You MUST LOG-IN to see ALL courses at AUX CLASSROOM		L6	L2	none	none
AUX15 AC	Auxiliary Air Coordinator C-school (AUX-15)	AUXOP	1		Air Crew	L11	L11	none	L11
CG ICS300 & 400	Coast Guard Incident Command System (ICS) 300 & 400	AUXOP	1 for both	must be taught by CG instructor		xxx	xxx	none	xxx
CG ICS346	Situation Unit Leader	AUXOP	1 for class	must be working with CG in this capacity to get class slot, classes taught by CG trainers		none	none	none	none
CG ICS347	Demobilization Unit Leader	AUXOP				none	none	none	none
CG ICS348	Resources Unit Leader	AUXOP				none	none	none	none
CG ICS430	Operations Section Chief	AUXOP				none	none	none	none
CG ICS440	Planning Section Chief	AUXOP	1 for PQS			none	none	none	none
CG ICS351	Finance Section Chief	AUXOP				none	none	none	none
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RECOGNITION FOR ACCOMPLISHMENT

- Upon completion of any AUXOP course the Auxiliarist is authorized to wear the Auxiliary Specialty Course Ribbon



- Auxiliarists may add 3/16 Bronze (per course) or Silver Stars (5 courses) for completion of subsequent courses



RECOGNITION FOR ACCOMPLISHMENT

- Upon completion of the minimum AUXOP requirements the Auxiliarist is authorized to wear the Auxiliary AUXOP device



- Once the device is earned the Specialty Ribbon is removed



HINTS and SUGGESTIONS

- Prior to enrolling in an AUXOP course – VERIFY the course prerequisites
 - Example: To take ICS-346, 347, 348 you must have successfully completed **Coast Guard** ICS-300 and NIMS ICS-100, ICS-200, IS-700 and IS-800
- Take your time – Do not rush! Many courses require a substantial time and availability commitment
- The more you are willing to travel the better your chances are to be able enroll in classes of your choice
- Find a mentor who can give you help – OK to have more than one
- Many courses are taught in Webinars. On-Line exams require a NTC certified Proctor to get credit for the course



HINTS and SUGGESTIONS

- Keep your certificates of completion and submit copies to DIRAUX. Verify they are entered into AUXDATA
- Some classes such as C-Schools or Coast Guard ICS courses may require long distance travel and a minimum time commitment of a week of class.
- Some leadership courses are only open to specific levels of elected office (Division Commander, District Captain, District Chief of Staff)
- Use all sources of Auxiliary and Coast Guard information to find out availability of courses e.g. C-schools, Webinars, District MT calendar, MT Compendium



SUMMARY

The AUXOP designation (AX or AX2) tells the CGAUX that you are:

- technically prepared to help in many areas of importance to the CG,
- Better prepared for positions of leadership in Operations and administration, and
- Interested in being actively engaged in CG programs

AUXOP designation combined with IT certification signifies that you:

- are technically competent to teach a wide variety of courses to CGAUX membership (MT)
- are ideally suited to teach operations courses such as crew school, boating safety courses, and
- You have the knowledge to be an outstanding mentor



LOOKING TOWARDS THE FUTURE FOR AUXOP

The next generation of AUXOP courses are now in development and should be appearing throughout 2014 and early 2015. This includes:

- AUXCOM – with corrections & compliance with the new CG radiotelephone handbook
- AUXWEA – completely redone with emphasis on practical considerations from the coxswains viewpoint
- AUXPAT – an updated course incorporating the latest CG Boat Crew Seamanship Manual chapters
- AUXSEA – A completely different course with emphasis on boat handling and operations
- AUXSC&E – The current course with updates as determined by the CG SAR school with emphasis on Search Methodology
- AUXRESCUE – A new course that is a companion to AUXSC&E with emphasis on Rescue Methodology



QUESTIONS?