

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

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DSO-AS Report – December 2022

2022 Program Year Highlights

Sea Scout Program Participation

Auxiliary members recorded 22,629 hours of participation in AUXSCOUT-related participation in Auxiliary activities – D11N recorded 428 total hours. Bravo Zulu and thank you to all.

AUXSCOUT Partnerships – Bay Area

DSO-AS - Deputy Wade MacAdam continues to work tirelessly to develop and cement relationships between Flotillas and Sea Scout units in the Bay Area. His efforts have resulted in strong bonds between AUXSCOUT partners that desire to share experiences, training, and social opportunities.

Sea Scout Safety at Sea (Sector San Francisco)

Safety at Sea resumed large-scale operations in August 2022, at Sector/Station San Francisco (Yerba Buena Island). Our AUX-CA team provided outstanding support relieving the active-duty staff and taking charge of the Sector galley during the event to prepare and serve over 250 Sea Scout participants and as well as active duty, reserve component, and CG civilian employees working at Sector and Station.

We are requesting AUX-CA support and general AUX support of the event. Please contact John-Michael Zimmerle at immerle.uscgaux@gmail.com for more information.

Reminders and Future Engagement

AUXSCOUT Standard Operating Procedures

CG-BSX has revised the AUXSCOUT SOP (effective 21OCT22) to reflect the following relevant changes:

- Section 1.b.(7): At least one adult (i.e., 18 years of age or older) Auxiliarist or Sea Scout leader with current BSA Safe Swim Defense Training is required to be present for the conduct of swimming-related activities.
- Section 1.b.(8): At least one adult (i.e., 18 years of age or older) Auxiliarist or Sea Scout leader with current BSA Safety Afloat Training and CPR training is required to



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be present for the conduct of a mission involving an Auxiliary surface facility.

- Section 2.b.(2): Authorized organizational activities for Sea Scout youth under 17 years of age and enrolled in the Auxiliary are significantly expanded (e.g., authorization to serve on Change of Watch and fellowship committees; authorization to serve as Assistant District Staff Officer in three program areas; authorization to serve as a District Commodore Administrative Assistant (D-AA).
- Changes to reflect Scouting safety training programs requirements for flotilla, division, and district-level AUXSCOUT (AS) staff officers.

It is critical that Auxiliary members who participate in AUXSCOUT-related programs and especially flotilla, division and district leadership, are familiar with the specific requirements for engaging in Auxiliary youth programs. The SOP is available for download at http://agroup-bx.wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=BX-GROUP&category=sop.

Recording AUXSCOUT-related hours in AUXDATA II

Recording Auxiliary participation hours in AUXDATA II is critical to the Auxiliary's overall success. The AUXSCOUT SOP details information regarding recording Scouting-related participation hours and provides two distinct operational codes for this purpose. We encourage members to utilize these OPCODEs in accordance with the SOP as follows:

"Appropriate Auxiliary forms and AUXDATA II mission codes *shall* be used by Auxiliarists when claiming hours for the conduct of activities authorized pursuant to [the] SOP. The following notes on respective forms *shall* accompany claimed AUXSCOUT activity hours:

- (a) For Auxiliarists who are not Sea Scout members but claim hours engaged in AUXSCOUT activities, include the note, "OPCODE: AUXSCO1."
- (b) For Sea Scouts and Sea Scout leaders who have enrolled in the Auxiliary, include the note for any claimed Auxiliary activity, "OPCODE: AUXSCO2."

Appendix D of the SOP provides detailed guidance to Information Services Officers and DIRAUX in the management of these recorded hours as well as other important topics such as AUXDATA II data entry for Scouting-related training programs, and Sea Scout youth name and date of birth entries.



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USCG Auxiliary and BSA Joint Consent Form/Release (ANSC 7020a (03-20))

Photographs, videos, or other recordings of Sea Scout youth may not be released for Auxiliary or public use without first obtaining written consent from the subject or subjects guardians. The ANSC 7020a must be used in these instances and is available for download at https://forms.cgaux.org/forms1.php.

Completed forms must be reviewed by the releasing authority before any use of the material in Auxiliary publications, newsletters, social media posts or other authorized uses. In compliance with the AUXSCOUT SOP, neither completed 7020a's nor the Personally identifiable information contained in them may be retained by flotillas, divisions, or districts. Completed 7020a's are to be sent directly to the Auxiliary Association for further processing.

Support Requests from Sea Scout Partners

Auxiliary members are encouraged to support our Sea Scout partners' requests for Auxiliary-provide services such as speeches and talks, public education classes, vessel safety checks and partner visits. If your flotilla is not sure how they can help or participate, please reach out to DSO-AS at imzimmerle.uscgaux@gmail.com for assistance and ideas.

Thank you to all Auxiliary members who regularly participate with our Sea Scout partners. They report that they are enjoying Auxiliary participation. Remember – Sea Scouts (14-years of age and older) and their leaders are all eligible for full membership in the Auxiliary – invite our partners to join us.