
Incident Command System Training for CG Auxiliary Clarification of Dates

As of February 2006, the ALCOAST from G-RPP announcing the revised dates for completion of Incident Command System (IS) coursework for CG Auxiliary forces has not been issued. Since there are both Area and District directives published, some members have expressed concerns about the apparent conflict between the dates published and the dates proposed.

In an effort to resolve this conflict, CG Auxiliary members are directed to comply with directives published by CG Area and District commands until CG Headquarters guidance is available.

Coursework

The coursework determined to be necessary for all CG personnel (including Auxiliary) consists of IS 100, 200 and 210 as well as IS 700 and 800. Other courses may be needed for CG or CG Auxiliary members involved in command and control, but that subject will be handled on a case by case basis at the local level.

Coursework assigned:

Any member designated "direct operational" (DO) by the Personnel Security Investigations (PSI) process should take IS 100 and IS 700. The following categories of participation require a DO designation:

- Surface operations
- Air operations
- Operations planning
- Interpreters
- CMDcen/OPcen/COMMS watchstanding
- Fixed/mobile radio facility operators
- Port security
- Marine Safety & Security
- Some Staff officers
- As deemed by Operational Commander
- CGAUX Health Care Volunteers (G-WK program supported by (COMDTINST 6010.2 dtd 21 Jan 03))

Additional coursework, consisting of IS 200, 210 and IS 800 will be required for Auxiliary leadership and single unit resource leaders (SURL).

1. Any member holding a leadership position of Division Vice Captain (VCP) or higher or members holding an appointed office in a program providing CG operational support at the division level of higher will be, for purposes of ICS training, be considered an "Auxiliary leader".
2. A single unit resource leader (SURL) is defined as: any leader of a single resource, task force or strike team (i.e. Aircraft Commanders, Coxswains, Boarding Officers, LE and HAZMAT Team Leaders, Federal On-Scene Coordinator Representatives, Pollution Investigators, etc.). This requirement applies to Auxiliary coxswains, pilots, any member qualifying in the Trident program or any other team/task force leader.



Consequence Management

The IS coursework described above is not required for any qualification. The consequence for failure to take these courses has been left to the discretion of the individual command, based on management of current tasking, force strength and implementation of individual training plans. Similarly, the National Commodore, in partnership with G-PCX, has determined the consequences for Auxiliary members who fail to complete coursework as assigned. *The following table provides the approved dates for the implementation of an action affecting the Auxiliary member's status or participation.*

Date	Courses	Action
30 JUN 2006	IS 100, IS 700	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Members will not be allowed to participate in any Coast Guard exercise, drill or response event.Members seeking to be qualified in an Auxiliary Operational Program must complete this coursework prior to certification by the DIRAUX.
30 SEP 2006	IS 200, IS 800	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Members designated as leaders or SURLs are strongly encouraged to complete required coursework.
31 DEC 2007	IS 100, 200 IS 700, 800	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Members participating in an Operational Program will be considered REYR and will not be issued Auxiliary patrol orders.Coursework will be required for a member to qualify as a candidate for office (described above) or be appointed as a staff officer (described above).
Unknown	IS 210	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Consequence to be determined as course becomes widely available to Auxiliary members.

No additional actions affecting a member's status or participation are authorized. Local units should make every effort to encourage participation, provide training or other resources and facilitate compliance with the aforementioned directives.

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