

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY



Recreational Boating Safety Visitation Program
Seventh Coast Guard District Auxiliary
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
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HOW TO EARN THE AUXILIARY RBS INSIGNIA



REFERENCE: AUXILIARY MANUAL, COMDTINST M16790.1G, CHAPTER 10

The Auxiliary Recreational Boating Safety (RBS) insignia is meant to recognize extraordinary effort of Auxiliarists who consistently provide strong support to RBS programs. Consequently, its eligibility criteria require significant RBS program activity over a minimum period of two years.

Requirements

Auxiliarists who compile 120 points per year for two consecutive years (for a total of 240) are entitled to wear the Auxiliary RBS insignia. Hours for prescribed mission codes are reported on the Mission Activity Report (ANSC-7030) form. Vessel Safety Checks (VSC) and vessel facility inspections are reported on the Vessel Examinations Activity Report (ANSC-7038). RBS Program Visits are reported on the RBS Visitation Report (ANSC-7046). Points for eligibility can be compiled based on activity recorded in any one, or combination, of the following criteria:

RBS Program Visitation: Based on the number of RBS Program Visits. 1 point-per-visit.

Public Education: Hours recorded using any mission code 14. 1 point-per-hour as lead instructor and 0.5 points-per-hour as an assistant/aide (preparation or travel not included).

Public Affairs: Activities promoting RBS in the following areas (1 point-per-hour limited to actual mission hours (preparation or travel not included)):

1. Speech/talks, mission code 10B.
2. Broadcast media, mission code 10C.
3. External print media, mission code 10F.
4. Community Relations (COMREL), mission code 10J.

Vessel Safety Checks and Vessel Facility Inspections: Based on the number of VSCs and/or vessel facility inspections. 1 point-per-check or inspection.

Legislative Outreach: Hours recorded as Federal/State Legislative Outreach or Government Affairs work, mission codes 65A or 65B. 1 point-per-hour limited to face-to-face contact hours (preparation or travel not included).

State RBS Outreach: Hours recorded in meetings with a state Boating Law Administrator (BLA) or state BLA staff, mission code 65C. 1 point-per-hour limited to face-to-face contact hours (preparation or travel not included).

Administration

Only Directors are authorized to order the RBS insignia from ANSC. Auxiliarists who meet the eligibility criteria as reported in AUXDATA and are awarded the RBS insignia, with accompanying certificate, by the Director are entitled to wear it on a permanent basis. Uniform wear is same as that for insignia like the Auxiliary Marine Safety insignia.