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## US COAST GUARD MOBILE TRAINING TEAM COURSE OFFERINGS

### **Maritime Law Enforcement Boarding Officer (Anti-Narcotic) Course**

**Course Description:** The course consists of 2 days of classroom instruction followed by three days of practical exercises. Classroom subjects include intelligence gathering, interviewing and interrogation, hidden compartments, crime scene processing, boarding procedures, narcotics identification, and an introduction to defensive tactics. Practical exercises are designed to reinforce classroom material by giving each student an opportunity to apply classroom theory. The course is tailored to specific needs and previous training experience.

**Prerequisites:** Students must currently be assigned to maritime law enforcement duties, but possess only entry-level knowledge (ideally less than 50 boardings within last year). This training also requires provision of the host country of: 1) a classroom for instruction, 2) a 30 – 50-foot boat for practice boardings, 3) narcotics for testing (e.g. cocaine, marijuana, etc.) and 4) a gym or outside area suitable for exercise.

**Duration:** 1 Week

### **Maritime Law Enforcement (Anti-Narcotic) – Operations Planning/ Operations Center Management Course**

**Course Description:** The course is designed to train officers with patrol planning and supervisory responsibilities, including patrol boat commanding officers and regional planners. This course activity is intense, with students devising a counter smuggling operations plan. Classroom instruction includes: international law, narcotics smuggling trends and tactics, patrol tactics and planning, and stress management. Exercises include counter smuggling table top exercise and crisis management. This course can be tailored for a general counter smuggling emphasis rather than strictly counter-narcotics if desired.

**Prerequisites:** Students should be currently assigned to maritime law enforcement duties in a medium to high level supervisory position, with multi unit responsibilities as operational commander or regional coordinator. This training requires that the host nation provide two classrooms for instruction.

**Duration:** 3 to 5 Days

## **Maritime Law Enforcement for Trainers (Anti-Narcotic) Course**

**Course Description:** The course is designed to instruct students on how to effectively train others in maritime law enforcement. Students in this course are taught techniques for basic maritime law enforcement; course work includes instructional development, logistics, adult learning theory, psychomotor skill training, and role-playing. This course can also be tailored to an emphasis on fisheries enforcement.

**Prerequisites:** Students must currently have maritime law enforcement training responsibilities. Students must be prior graduates of the Maritime Law Enforcement Boarding Officer course (P319100). This training also requires provision by the host country of: 1) a classroom for instruction, and 2) a 30 – 50-foot boat for practice boardings.

**Duration:** 1 Week

## **Marine Safety/Port Security (Mid-Manager) Course**

**Course Description:** This training is targeted toward mid-level managers. The Coast Guard instructors provide technical assistance, marine safety/port security specific training in a series of training modules tailored to the target audience. This course also presents an overview of mid-management issues which relate to marine safety and port security. Through this training, the training team shares maritime safety and port security technical expertise with developing countries; and promotes the harmonization of maritime safety and security standards.

**Prerequisites:** Students must currently be serving in a maritime safety or port security capacity at the mid-manager level. It is important that the appropriate student population be identified. The host country must provide 1) a classroom for instruction, 2) if necessary, an appropriate cargo vessel for practice boardings.

**Duration:** 1-2 Weeks

## **Maritime Law Enforcement Joint Boarding Officer (Anti Narcotic) Course**

**Course Description:** The course is instructed by 2 USCG instructors and 2 host nation instructors who have graduated from Maritime Law Enforcement for Trainers (P319102). It is the same course as Maritime Law Enforcement Boarding Officer (P319100) which consists of 2 days of classroom instruction followed by three days of practical exercises. Classroom subjects include intelligence gathering, interviewing and interrogation, hidden compartments, crime scene processing, boarding procedures, narcotics identification, and an introduction to defensive tactics. Practical exercises are designed to reinforce classroom material by giving each student an opportunity to apply classroom theory. The course is tailored to specific needs and previous training experience.

**Prerequisites:** Students must currently be assigned to maritime law enforcement duties, but possess only entry-level knowledge (ideally less than 50 boardings within last year). Joint instructors must be currently assigned to maritime law enforcement training duties. This training also requires provision by the host country of: 1) a classroom for instruction, 2) a 30 – 50-foot boat for practice boardings, 3) narcotics for testing (e.g. cocaine, marijuana, etc.), and 4) a gym or outside area suitable for exercise.

**Duration:** 1 Week

## **Maritime Law Enforcement (Fisheries) Course**

**Course Description:** The course is designed to instruct students on proper techniques for effectively enforcing fisheries laws. Course curriculum includes operational planning, authority and jurisdiction, fish and fishing vessel identification, boarding procedures, hidden compartments, and use of force.

**Prerequisites:** Students must currently have fisheries law enforcement responsibilities. This training also requires provision by the host country of: 1) a classroom for instruction, and 2) a 30 – 50-foot boat for practice boardings.

**Duration:** 1-2 Weeks

## **Marine Safety/Port Security Senior Manager Course**

**Course Description:** The course is targeted toward senior managers and policy makers. The International Training Division (ITD) provides technical assistance, marine safety/port security specific training in a series of training modules based on identified needs. This course also presents an overview of senior level issues which relate to marine safety and port security. Through this training, the ITD shares maritime safety and port security technical expertise with developing countries; and promotes the harmonization of maritime safety and security standards.

**Prerequisites:** Students must currently be serving in a maritime safety or port security capacity at the senior manager level. It is important that the appropriate student population be identified. The host country must provide 1) a classroom for instruction, 2)if necessary, an appropriate cargo vessel for practice boardings.

**Duration:** 1-2 Weeks

### **Engineering/Logistics Administration Course**

**Description:** The purpose of this team is to assess and assist a country in the development of an engineering and logistics support network to support maritime operations of coast guard like organizations. It does not provide training in practical maintenance procedures, but encourages the development of a planned preventive maintenance and logistics support system.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Duration:** 1 Week

### **Outboard Motor Maintenance Course**

**Description:** The course teaches basic preventive maintenance and advanced troubleshooting techniques for outboard boat engines. Following instruction, each student is allowed to practice the techniques on the host country's engines. The course is designed for OMC outboard motors, but can be modified for other varieties as well. The type of motor used by the host country must be specified. Generally, two instructors are deployed.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Duration:** 1 Week

## Search and Rescue Course

**Description:** The course instructs students on how to prepare, organize, and implement search and rescue operations. Course curriculum includes initial actions, mission organization, water currents, public information and documentation, search patterns, decision-making, and case study analysis. The course will be tailored to host nation needs and resources.

**Prerequisites:** Students must currently have search and rescue responsibilities. This training also requires provision by the host country of a classroom for instruction. Training may also include underway training exercises.

**Duration:** 1-3 Weeks

## Small Boat Operations Course

**Description:** The purpose of the course is to provide is to familiarize students with the procedures to be followed for the safe and effective operation of small boats (less than 50 ft.



length). Course content will be tailored to meet requesting countries needs and desires. Possible course topics include deck seamanship, marlinspike seamanship, navigation rules, towing, firefighting, and engineering casualty control.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Duration:** 1-2 Weeks

### **Operational Training Program Development Course**

**Description:** The purpose of this team is to assist in the development of a nation's small boat training program utilizing the host nations assets. It is based on the US Coast Guard's boat crew training program, which establishes job oriented skill requirements for boat crew personnel. These requirements are based on the practical application of various maritime skills necessary for safe and effective boat operations in support of any appropriate mission. Following this training, a country should have a blueprint for a host nation boat crew training program.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Duration:** 1 Week

### **Coast Guard Development/Needs Assessment**

**Description:** This team will assist a country in achieving national maritime goals in non-defense areas within the U.S. Coast Guard's areas of expertise. The team is composed of experts from the various Coast Guard operation programs who will share their expertise and make recommendations for enhancement of the host nation's organization.

## **HM CUSTOMS AND EXCISE** **VESSEL RUMMAGE TRAINING PROGRAM**

### **Vessel Search Course**

**Description:** Based at HM Customs and Excise Advanced Rummage Training Centre in Liverpool, the training is designed to give operational officers the skills and knowledge necessary to effectively plan and carry out search of large vessels. Most of the training is conducted aboard HM Customs and Excise own training ship the MV Altea. Moored in Liverpool Docks, the Altea allows for detailed and realistic practical training exercises to be conducted in a controlled environment, under constant supervision of experienced operational trainers.

The training concentrates on developing practical skills but includes theory sessions to ensure the students able to acquire a comprehensive understanding of vessel construction and layout. Subjects covered include:

- Health and safety
- Vessel construction and layout
- Vessel search including confined spaces
- Use and maintenance of rummage equipment
- Search techniques
- Methods of concealment
- Teamwork
- Use of intelligence
- Operational planning

**Course Costs:**

Based on a three week course for six students:

Instructor Costs: 2 experts x 15 days at £242 per day	7260
Training Vessel Costs:	918
Transport:	408
Technical Consultant:	85
Search Equipment:	332
Administration Charge:	360
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£ 9360</b>

**Note:** This cost does not include trainee meals or accommodation but can be arranged if required at an additional cost.