



# U.S. Coast Guard 17th District

**Mission:** We serve and safeguard the public, protect the environment and its resources and defend the Nation's interest in the Alaskan maritime region.

**Vision:** Operational Excellence through Leadership, Teamwork and Professionalism

## Assets in Alaska:

### Cutters:

One - 378-foot High Endurance Cutter  
One - 283-foot Medium Endurance Cutter  
Four - 225-foot Seagoing Buoy Tenders  
Six - Island Class Patrol Boats  
One - 65-foot inland Buoy Tender Small

### Aircraft:

Eight - MH-60 Jayhawk Helicopters  
Four - MH-65 Dolphin Helicopters  
Four - HC-130 Hercules Airplanes

### Small Boat Stations:

Juneau - 4 boats  
Ketchikan - 4 boats  
Valdez - 3 boats  
ANTs - 4 boats

## Highlights:

Ensuring the sustainability of a \$1.6 billion fishing industry harvesting more than 11 million lbs of fish PER DAY, accounting for more than 60% of U.S. landings.

Oversee more than 140 fisheries while sharing maritime borders with Russia and Canada.

Partner with Pacific enforcement nations including Taiwan, China, Japan, Canada and Russia to combat illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing.

Oversee the safety of an 18% annual increase in Bering Strait maritime traffic (2009-2010)

Building and maintaining partnerships with 229 of the 564 Federal tribes located in Alaska.

Ensuring the Safety of 30 cruise ships making port calls in Alaska carrying more than one million passengers.



**2,500** active duty, reserve, auxiliarist & civilians support operations in Alaska encompassing 3,853,500 sq. miles and more than 44,000 miles of coastline.



## In an average month in the 17th District...

- 51 search and rescue cases are conducted
- 161 vessel boardings are conducted
- 14 lives are saved
- 60 lives are assisted
- 59 Aids to Navigation are serviced
- 86 Vessel safety checks and recreational vessel exams are conducted
- 10 pollution incidents are investigated and responded to
- 25 Prince William Sound tanker transits are monitored
- More than 700 million gallons of oil are safely shipped and monitored through Prince William Sound.
- More than 1.38 million pounds of explosives are safely transported through Alaska's maritime transportation network.