



## United States Coast Guard Station Marquette Welcome Aboard!

Information Updated: **13 October 2015** District **09** Great Lakes Area

**Unit Name:** United States Coast Guard Station Marquette

**Mailing Address:** Commanding Officer  
USCG Station Marquette  
BMC Patrick R. Brown  
294 N. Lakeshore Blvd  
Marquette, MI 49855

**Unit Phone Numbers:** (906) 226-3312

**Officer of the Day (OOD):** (906) 226-3322

**Fax Number:** (906) 226-6091

\*If your sponsor is not available to speak with when you call the Station, please ask to speak to the Officer of the Day.

**Station Hours:** Liberty expires: 0745  
Quarters: 0900  
Lunch: 1200-1300  
Liberty Granted: When work and tasking are completed for the day (all times are subject to daily change, so be flexible).

**Average Temperature:** Summer: 70-80 Winter: 0-20

**Average Precipitation:** Marquette averages 35 inches of rain in the warmer seasons, and 135 inches of snow each year

**Unit's Primary Missions:** Homeland Security, Search and Rescue, Law Enforcement, Public Affairs, Ice Rescue. This unit conducts an average of 200 Law Enforcement boardings and 30 Search and Rescue cases annually.

**Assets:** Currently the unit has one (1) 45' (RBM) Response Boat Medium, one (1) 25' RB-S Defender Class Bravo and one (1) 15' Ice Skiff.



45' RBM



25' RBS



15' Ice Skiff

**Area of Responsibility (AOR):** Northwest to the Huron Islands and Southeast to Grand Marias, North to the US/Canadian border. Station Marquette has the largest AOR of all the Stations on Lake Superior.

**Uniform to Report-in:** Tropical Blue (Summer) / Bravo Uniform (Winter)

**Uniform of the Day:** Operational Dress Uniform

**Recommended Uniform Items In Addition To Sea bag Issue:** None

**Operational Clothing:** Foul weather gear and other operational clothing will be issued to member shortly after arrival. You're sponsor will ask what your typical clothing sizes (S, M, L) are in order to purchase if necessary, the appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) upon your arrival.

**Personal Storage Space (in Cubic Feet):** Member is assigned a locker for uniforms in berthing and a locker in the locker room for operational clothing and personal protective equipment.

**What Type Of Continuing Education Is Available In The Area:** Northern Michigan University is 5 minutes away, although most people use online colleges.

**Special Procedures For Reporting After Hours:** The Station is manned 24/7 however, if you are arriving between the hours of 1600 and 0630, contact the OOD ahead of time so that we can prepare for your arrival.

**Ratings Present at Unit:** Station has Boatswain's Mate (BM), Machinery Technicians (MK), Seaman (SN) and Fireman (FN).

**Command:** Officer in Charge (OIC): BMC Patrick Brown  
Executive Petty Officer (XPO): BM1 Christopher Connolly  
Engineering Petty Officer (EPO): MK1 Alan Shanks

**Location Of Nearest Exchange And Commissary:** USCG Sector Sault Ste. Marie – 160 miles away / 3hrs.

**Religious Denominations in the Area:** Catholic, Baptist, Mormon, Lutheran, Episcopalian, Presbyterian, Methodist, Apostolic, Assembly of God, Church of Nazarene, Christian Science.

**Surrounding Area:** There is always plenty to see and do, whether it is indoor or outdoor. There are plenty of hiking and biking trails in the area, as well as many sights to see. There are also plenty of fitness centers and NMU sporting events to attend year round. There is also a ski hill in the area open for the winter.

**Name Of Nearest City and Distance:** Marquette is the largest city in the Upper Peninsula, offering plenty of activities to do outside of work. Green Bay Wisconsin is the closest major city, about 4 hours away.

**Typical SA/SN Job Assignment:** Communication Watch Stander, Boat Crewmember, Boarding Team Member, Ice Rescuer

**Typical FA/FN Job Assignment:** Communication Watch Stander, Boat Crewmember, 45' RBM Boat Engineer, Boarding Team Member, Ice Rescuer

**Duty Rotation:** Two days on duty, two days on liberty with sliding weekends (working every other Friday, Saturday and Sunday) "Port/Starboard Duty with Sliding Weekends"

**Break-in Status:** New members will be in a break-in status and will be assigned into a duty section. You will be required to become qualified as a Communication Watch Stander within 2 weeks of reporting.

**Number of Personnel:** The station is comprised of 15 Active Duty (AD) members.

**Quarters/Barracks:** No onboard quarters or barracks are available. The Station has duty rooms for the Search and Rescue duty crew during the nights. Bring your own sleeping bag and toiletries. However, if you are single, you may be allowed to stay at the station until you find housing. There is no government lease housing available.

**BAH:** All Station personnel married or single receive a Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) and live on the economy when they report to the Station.

**Galley:** The station has no assigned FS (Food Specialist), but we are equipped with a kitchen, which has a stove, oven, microwave, deep sink, cookware, utensils, dishes and a refrigerator/freezer. Many members bring in their own meals to cook. **Note:** Only bring what food you will need for the days you have duty.

**Have A Junior Member Describe The Area, Job And Anything Else Of Interest To A Newly Arriving Member:** The area is very remote. In the winter, we get a lot of snow and low wind chills. There are plenty of activities to enjoy during the winter if you don't mind the cold. Marquette Ski Mountain is just a few minutes away. Hunting and fishing are very popular here, so if you enjoy doing that, bring your rifle or fishing rod. During the summer, we are on the boats the majority of the time. This shows you sides of Marquette that you would never know. Since our duty schedule is two on and two off, you will have plenty of liberty time to enjoy the summer.

### **MEMBERS WITHOUT DEPENDENTS**

**Cost of Average Two Bedroom Apartment in the Area:** \$550.00 to \$850.00

**Quarters And Or Barracks Available:** Although we live on board during our duty rotation, all newly reporting members will be placed on the economy. There are several areas to live in that are reasonably priced

**Rate of Auto Insurance for Typical 18-20 Yr Old:** \$1200-1550/year

**BAH Rate for a Single E-2 or E-3:** \$642.00/month

**Where a Single Non-Rate Will More Than Likely Live:** All members will be placed on the economy.

**Where Most People Bank:** There are many banks in the area to choose from, from small local banks as well as all of the nation-wide chains. For local banks, most use Wells Fargo, Marquette Community Federal Credit Union, or Ishpeming Community Federal Credit Union.

**Is There A Credit Union In The Area:** Yes, there are several credit unions located in Marquette.

**Is There A Mall In The Area:** There is one very small shopping mall within 10 minutes of the station.

### **MEMBERS WITH DEPENDENTS**

**Cost of Average Two Bedroom Apartment in the Area:** \$550.00 to \$850.00. Some include utilities.

**BAH Rate for E-3 with Dependents:** About \$858.00

**Is Leased Housing Available:** No

**Is Government Owned Housing Available:** No

**Where Most Dependents Live:** Most members are placed on the economy. Many of our members choose to live in the surrounding communities.

**Rate Of Auto Insurance For Typical Young Family:** Approximately \$800.00 every six months.

**Where Do Most Dependents Receive Medical Care:** Marquette General Hospital, Family Care Doctors

**What Level Of Tricare Is Available?** Tricare Prime Remote North

**Is Delta Dental Available:** Yes, Concordia Dental

**Is it Advisable to Bring Dependents along When Reporting?** Yes

**Qualification Expectations:** Here is a list of the qualifications you will be expected to achieve sorted by rate.

<b>RATE</b>	<b>QUALIFICATION</b>	<b>Qualification time*</b>
<b>SA/SN</b>	Communication Watch stander Boat Crewman Boarding Team Member Ice rescuer	2 weeks 1.5 Months 1.5 Months 14 days after formation of hard ice
<b>FA/FN</b>	Communication Watch stander Boat Crewman Boarding Team Member Ice rescuer	2 weeks 1.5 Months 1.5 Months 14 days after formation of hard ice
<b>BM3 and ABOVE</b>	45' RBM AND 25' RBS Crewman, 15' Skiff Operator Boarding Team Member Boarding Officer  45' RBM and 25' RBS Coxswain, 15' Skiff Coxswain (NEED COXSWAIN TO ADVANCE) ICE team leader	3 Months 2 Months 14 days upon completion of MLEA. 6 Months  14 days
<b>MK3 and ABOVE</b>	45' RBM & 25' RBS Crewman, 15' Skiff Crewman Boarding Team Member Boarding Officer  ICE Rescue team leader	3 Months 2 Months 14 days upon completion of MLEA. 14 days

\*Qualification time is the time deemed adequate by Station Marquette to be certified in the respective positions; it begins on the members report date, and restarts after every certification received until the member is fully qualified in his/her rate and rank.

Here is a list of useful references for each qualification. Practical factors and manuals can be found online at <http://cgweb.uscg.mil/G-C/G-CCS/G-CIT/G-CIM/DIRECTIVES/WELCOME.HTM>. Once you get to the website go to Commandant Instruction Manuals and search for the manual name.

### **CREWMAN**

BOAT MANUAL VOLUME 2 COMDTINST M16114.33A (series)  
Part 2 (You will need to complete the reading assignments and homework in Chapter 3)  
BOAT CREW SEAMANSHIP MANUAL COMDTINST M16114.5 (series)  
DEFENDER CLASS OPERATOR HANDBOOK COMDTINST M16114.37 (series)  
NAVIGATION RULES COMDTINST M16672.2 (series)  
45' RBM BOAT OPERATOR'S HANDBOOK COMDTINST M16114.41 (series)

### **ENGINEER**

BOAT MANUAL VOLUME 2 COMDTINST M16114.33A  
DEFENDER CLASS OPERATOR HANDBOOK COMDTINST M16114.37 (series)  
45' RBM BOAT OPERATOR'S HANDBOOK

### **COXSWAIN**

BOAT MANUAL VOLUME 1 COMDTINST M16114.32C (series)  
BOAT MANUAL VOLUME 2 COMDTINST M16114.33A  
Part 4 (You will need to complete the reading assignments and homework in Chapter 3)  
BOAT CREW SEAMANSHIP MANUAL COMDTINST M16114.5 (series)

DEFENDER CLASS OPERATOR HANDBOOK COMDTINST M16114.37 (series)  
NAVIGATION RULES COMDTINST M16672.2 (series)  
DISTRICT 9 SOP  
U.S. COAST GUARD ADDENDUM TO THE U.S. NATIONAL SEARCH AND RESCUE SUPPLEMENT  
TO THE IAMSAR MANUAL, COMDTINST M16130.2F (series)  
COAST GUARD NAVIGATION STANDARDS COMDTINST M3530.2 (series)  
COAST GUARD INSTITUTE SAR FUNDAMENTALS COURSE 0431 (EOCT)  
NON-STANDARD BOAT OPERATOR'S HANDBOOK COMDTINST 16114.28 (series)

### **BOARDING TEAM MEMBER**

BO/BTM PQS COMDTINST M16247.3 (series) Sections 1 and 3-07  
MARITIME LAW ENFORCEMENT MANUAL 16247.1F (series)  
BOARDING OFFICER JOB AID KIT COMDTINST M16247.6 (series)

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BO/BTM PQS COMDTINST M16247.3 (series) Sections 2 and 3  
BOARDING OFFICER JOB AID KIT COMDTINST M16247.6 (series)  
MARITIME LAW ENFORCEMENT MANUAL 16247.1F (series)

### **IMPORTANT LINKS**

District 09 <http://www.uscg.mil/d9/>  
CG Directives <http://www.uscg.mil/ccs/cit/cim/directives/welcome.htm>  
Boat Forces Center <http://cgweb.tcyorktown.uscg.mil/utb/>  
Office of Boat Forces <http://cgweb.comdt.uscg.mil/G-RCB/>  
Maritime Law Enforcement Academy (MLEA) cgweb <http://cgweb.mlca.uscg.mil/mlea/index.php>  
FEMA Independent Study <http://training.fema.gov/emiweb/IS/crslist.asp>  
Local Paper: Mining Journal <http://www.miningjournal.net/>  
Pay and Allowances <http://www.dod.mil/militarypay/pay/index.html>

### Unit History:

Station Marquette has a rich history and contributed in revolutionizing the Coast Guard. Keeper Henry Cleary was assigned as the first keeper of the station in 1891 during the days of the US Lifesaving Service. Captain Cleary diligently and professionally executed his duty as keeper until his death in 1916.

Known as the "Showman of the Service", Captain Cleary led many Life Saving Service crews, preparing them for national expositions including numerous World's Fairs. Captain Cleary was a friend to presidents, national leaders and his crew, but none more so than to the mariners he swore to protect.

Captain Cleary's courage and tenacity in the age of overwhelming odds were legendary. No surf was too high or danger too great to deter him from his duty. The September 1895 rescue of the wrecked Charles J. Kershaw by Cleary and his Marquette Surfman was one of the most spectacular in Lake Superior history.

Always an innovator, in 1889 Captain Cleary and his crew worked with Marquette's Lakeshore Engine Works to produce the first motorized lifeboat, leading the way to motorizing the Service's entire fleet.

**Welcome Aboard to Station Marquette. We look forward to your contributions in maintaining the legacy Keeper Cleary started.**