

UNIT INFORMATION

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District 11

UNIT NAME: **Motor Lifeboat Station Noyo River**

PERSONAL MAILING ADDRESS:

U.S. Coast Guard Station
19325 South Harbor Drive
Ft Bragg, CA 95437-1760

COMMERCIAL PHONE # (707)964-6612

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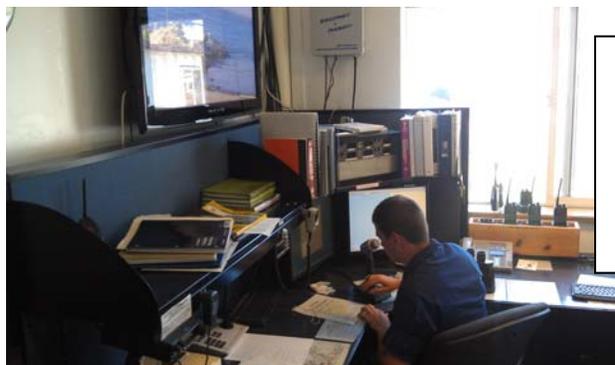
WEB SITE: Not Available

SPONSOR E-MAIL: Richard.A.Stoltzfus@uscg.mil

UNIT's MISSIONS: Station Noyo River is one of 20 Surf Stations in the Coast Guard. The unit conducts Search and Rescue, Law Enforcement and environmental response as our primary missions.



TYPICAL SA/SN JOB ASSIGNMENT:



As a member of the Deck department, you will first earn certification as a Communications Watch Stander. You will learn to respond to reports of Mariners in Distress, maintain unit logs, keep the boating public aware of hazardous bar conditions, and interact with the public.



Next you will earn certification as a Boat Crewman on the 47' Motor Life Boat. You will learn to perform the duties of a helmsman, lookout watch, towing watch and anchor watch. You will also learn to rig lines for towing and mooring, provide basic first aid, operate damage control equipment and act as a surface swimmer.



You will then earn certification as Boat Crewman on the 25' Response Boat. You will become familiar with the vessel systems and deck evolutions of this smaller, faster vessel.



Next you will earn certification as a Boarding Team Member to assist Boarding Officer's in the enforcement of laws and treaties. You will learn to perform administrative inspections of recreational vessels as well as commercial fishing vessels in our area.

TYPICAL FA/FN JOB ASSIGNMENT:



As a member of the Engineering department, you will follow the same certification path as your deck department shipmates, but you will also certify as a Boat Engineer on the 47' Motor Life Boat. As a Boat Engineer you will be responsible for the propulsion and auxiliary machinery of the Life Boat while underway.

SPECIAL PROCEDURES FOR REPORTING AFTER HOURS: Please make every effort to arrive in Fort Bragg the day before your ordered report date. This will ensure you are well rested and ready to hit the ground running when you report. There may be situations beyond your control during your travel and it may become necessary to report to the unit after normal working hours. If a situation like this arises, please contact the Officer of the Day at (707) 964-6612 and keep the unit informed of your situation.

HOW MUCH PERSONAL STORAGE SPACE: All duty standing members are provided with a small wall locker to store basic items needed while standing duty. Do not plan on permanently storing any of your personal items onboard the unit as space is very limited.

UNIFORM NORMALLY WORN DURING THE WORKDAY: Operational Dress Uniform, ODU's.

AVERAGE TEMPERATURE **SUMMER:** 66F **WINTER:** 45F

UNIT MUTUAL ASSISTANCE REP/ PHONE # BMC Damian Meyer (707)964-6612

WHAT TYPE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION IS AVAILABLE IN THE AREA:



The College of the Redwoods has a satellite campus in Fort Bragg. Information about upcoming class schedules can be found at <http://www.redwoods.edu/mendocino/>. You will also be able to take courses on-line as well.

RATINGS PRESENT AT UNIT: Boatswains Mate, Machinery Technician and Store Keeper

NAME OF NEAREST CITY AND DISTANCE: Ukiah, CA 52 miles

NAME OF NEAREST MILITARY FACILITY AND DISTANCE: Travis AFB, 200 miles

LOCATION OF NEAREST EXCHANGE AND COMMISARY: TRACEN Petaluma, 110 miles

RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS IN THE AREA: Assemblies of God, Baptist, Catholic, Christian Science, Church of Christ, Church of Jesus Christ and Latter-Day Saints, Episcopal, Evangelical, Foursquare Gospel, Jehovah's Witness, Non-Denominational, Presbyterian, Religious Science, Seventh-Day Adventist, Unitarian, United Methodist

AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY IF NOT A CUTTER: Point Delgada (60NM North) to the Gualala River (45NM South) and up to 50 nautical miles offshore.

UNIFORM TO REPORT IN: Tropical Blue Uniform

IF SPONSOR NOT AVAILABLE, RECRUIT SHOULD ASK FOR: Station Officer of the Day

MEMBERS WITHOUT DEPENDENTS

IS MESSING AVAILABLE: No, the Station does not have a Galley. Duty standing members prepare their food each day in the unit's kitchen.

QUARTERS AND OR BARRACKS AVAILABLE: No, you will be authorized to stay in the duty crew berthing area for a short period of time while looking for adequate housing in town.

BAH RATE (without dependants) FOR AN E2/E3: \$852

COST OF AVERAGE ONE BEDROOM APARTMENT IN THE AREA: \$800 without utilities

RATE OF AUTO INSURANCE FOR TYPICAL 18-20 YR OLD

SINGLE MALE: \$100-300 / month

SINGLE FEMALE: \$100-300 / month

IS UNACCOMPANIED PERSONNEL LEASED HOUSING AVAILABLE: No

WHERE WILL A SINGLE NON-RATE MORE THAN LIKELY LIVE: Fort Bragg. If searching on line for a house while home on leave, please keep in mind that you will be required to live within the city limits of Fort Bragg due to the unit's recall policy. You must be able to arrive at the station within 15 minutes after receiving a call/page recalling the second boat crew.

SHOULD MEMBER SUBMIT HOUSING APPLICATION TO HOUSING OFFICE: No

WHERE DO MOST PEOPLE BANK: USAA Bank, Bank of America, Washington Mutual, Wells Fargo

IS THERE A CREDIT UNION IN THE AREA: yes

IS THERE A MALL IN THE AREA: no

MEMBERS WITH DEPENDENTS

COST OF AVERAGE TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT IN THE AREA: \$1200 + Utilities

BAH RATE (with dependents) FOR AN E2/E3: \$1080

IS LEASED HOUSING AVAILABLE: no

IS GOVERNMENT OWNED HOUSING AVAILABLE: The station maintains 7 housing units that are located in Fort Bragg. Availability is based on a waiting list maintained by the unit housing Petty Officer, SK2 Powell. Eligibility requirements must be met to be assigned to government quarters. If you are married, and have dependant children, ask your sponsor about the availability of the housing units. If there are no units available, you may request to be placed on the housing waiting list once you arrive.

WHAT IS THE AVERAGE WAIT FOR HOUSING 12 MONTHS

HOUSING OFFICE PHONE# (707)964-6612 FAX# (707)961-1760

WHERE DO MOST DEPENDENTS LIVE: Ft Bragg

RATE OF AUTO INSURANCE FOR TYPICAL YOUNG FAMILY: \$150-250/ MONTH

WHERE DO MOST DEPENDENTS RECEIVE MEDICAL CARE: Upon arrival in Ft Bragg, you and, if applicable your dependants, will be enrolled in Tri-Care Prime Remote. There are several doctors in Fort Bragg that accept Tri-Care for routine visits. The Mendocino Coast Hospital is also located in town and supplies emergent care in their ER. You will also be enrolled in United Concordia Dental plan. There are several dentists in town that accept this insurance and provide services for your semi-annual cleanings and check-ups.

GO TO SCHOOL: The Ft Bragg Unified School District has a campus on Chestnut Street with High School, Middle School and Elementary School campuses.

WHAT LEVEL OF TRICARE IS AVAILABLE: TRICARE PRIME REMOTE

IS UNITED CONCORDIA AVAILABLE: Yes

IS IT ADVISABLE TO BRING DEPENDENTS ALONG WHEN REPORTING? Due to the small size of the station call and check with the OOD before bringing dependants. It is likely that the more prudent thing to do is to report alone and look for housing for your dependents. Housing is especially hard to find in the summer months and may take several days or even weeks to find a home if government quarters are not available. It is highly advisable to call and talk to the OOD or XPO before arriving in Fort Bragg.

ANY OTHER INFORMATION A NEWLY ARRIVING APPRENTICE NEEDS TO KNOW:

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The town of Ft Bragg is located on the north coast of California approximately 150 miles north of San Francisco. Recreational activities include mountain biking, hunting, fishing, hiking and boating. Fort Bragg is small town with a population of just over 6000 where the main industries are logging, fishing and tourism. Local services include medical, dental, legal, schools, food, etc. but because of the remoteness of the area the nearest large chain stores (ie. Wal Mart, Sears, Penny's etc) are over 90 minutes away in the town of Ukiah or Santa Rosa. Ft Bragg can only be accessed via Highway 1 or Highway 20, both of which are very narrow and winding. Housing can be expensive and difficult to find and the BAH rate for non-rated personnel with no dependants is \$852 per month. The local climate is sunny and cool in the summers with average temps in the 60s, strong northwesterly winds and frequent foggy days. Winters tend to be overcast with periods of rain. The average annual rainfall is around 40 inches. Although Fort Bragg has mild temperatures, traveling inland for as little as 45 minutes to an hour will get you in summer heat that reaches past 100 degrees in the summer months with lakes and parks available for recreation. This unit is an excellent place for people to learn the BM, MK, and SK ratings with opportunities to travel to Alameda to inquire about other ratings as well.



Pictured are the Noyo River, Noyo River Anchorage and the Noyo River Bar. The Route 1 Bridge spans the Noyo just inside the jetty tips. The Coast Guard Station is located adjacent to the Noyo Harbor, the large marina pictured in the lower left corner.





Congratulations on your orders to Station Noyo River. Your assignment is sure to be a challenging and rewarding assignment. We look forward to the opportunity to serve with you. Welcome Aboard Shipmate.