

## Coast Guard Cutter RESOLUTE (WMEC 620) Command Philosophy

RESOLUTE is our ship. We have great talent and the ability to execute a demanding mission while at sea. Often, we are the only agency with the tools, authority and training to handle missions in the maritime environment. We extend federal presence far offshore, are postured for immediate response and stand between threats and our nation's borders. We prepare and accomplish mission execution through hard work, team collaboration and adherence to established standards and principles embodied by our organization including our core values, honor, respect and devotion to duty. To maintain and operate in a cohesive, safe and successful environment I ask four things: *Respect your shipmates, leave it better than you found it, do your very best, and be flexible.*

***Respect your shipmates:*** It is our duty to respect and take care of each other personally, professionally while on or off duty. This principle is demonstrated through personal action, initiative and professionalism through engaging leadership and fellowship. This also includes curtailing alcohol abuse and creating a culture to eradicate sexual assault and any form of harassment from the workplace. *Respect your shipmates and take care of each other!*

***Leave it better than you found it:*** Maintenance is readiness and promotes safety; it is everyone's responsibility. This principle goes beyond engineering and equipment and is not only about maintaining but improving. This concept allows us to maintain a safe environment, enforce security, adhere to policy standards, develop others, realize exceptional cleanliness, interface with the public, and promote personal wellbeing. *Maintain our assets and always leave it better than you found it!*

***Do your very best:*** Do the very best you can do with the situation at hand. Take extra time to train your shipmates and welcome visitors. We train the way we operate; do it with enthusiasm toward our mission while considering the safety of our shipmates. We will return home safely while our efforts will show in operational results, improvement in our readiness and future strength of the workforce. *We will achieve excellence by always doing our very best!*

***Be flexible:*** We prepare for and operate in environments requiring the team to allocate and prioritize efforts. Flexibility is a principle in Coast Guard operations and accounts for often-daily priority shifts. We must readily accept changes to our mission and schedule. We are capable of change due to cross training. Our teams foster open communication which ensure and consider risk and comprehension of daily priorities. *Be resilient and embrace priority shifts.*

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