

*There is a **NEW** reserve and active duty rating in the USCG!*

BECOME A MARITIME ENFORCEMENT SPECIALIST (ME)

The newest member of the Coast Guard's operational team is the Maritime Enforcement Specialist (ME). MEs are masters of law enforcement and security. MEs perform tasks associated with with law enforcement, vessel and infrastructure security, interagency operations, and small arms.

Types of Duty:

MEs can anticipate assignment to Sectors, CG Police Departments, large cutters, training teams, instructor positions, and stations (Level 1 and MLE designated stations). They can also look forward to assignment to Deployable Specialized Forces (DSF) including TA-CLETs, MSSTs, MSRT, & PSUs.

Qualifications Within the Rating (examples):

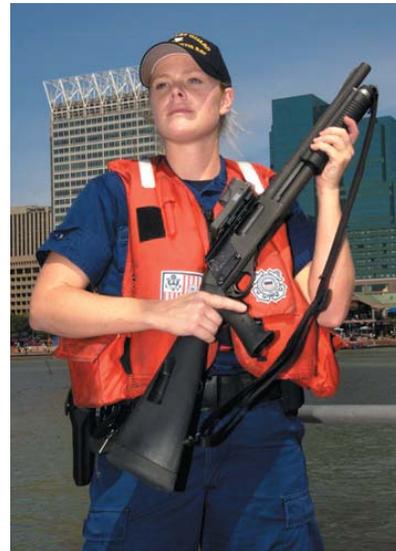
-Boarding Officer - Vertical Insertion - Tactical Operator - Precision Marksman/Observer - Canine Handler - Remotely Operated Vehicle Operator - Combat Life Saver - Rappelling - Advanced Marksmanship - Vertical Delivery - CPR First Aid - Pursuit/Tactical Boat Crewmember - Weapons Qualifications - Deployable Team Leader - Small Arms Instructor - Weapons Petty Officer - LE Trainer

Advancement Information:

The ME Enlisted Performance Qualifications (EPQ) are posted online at <https://learning.uscg.mil/portal/asp>. Go to Course Catalog + Enlisted Advancement + EPQ + ME. Take the time to review the EPQs to get a full understanding of what the rating is all about. The requirement to have them completed will not be a part of the lateral process that will come out this summer but will be needed for any future advancement in the rating.

Lateral Process:

The lateral process is open to members of ALL ratings. The solicitation message for ME lateral packages is due



out in the near term.

ME Eligibility Requirements:

- Eligible for a secret security clearance
- Normal color vision
- Compliant with weight standards
- Successful completion, after January 1, 2009, of either:
 - BO and Boat Crew Physical Fitness tests
or
 - DSF Tier II Physical Fitness test

Weapons Requirements:

Those applicants lacking full weapons qualifications (Judgemental Pistol Course, basic and practical pistol, basic and combat rifle, and shotgun) will be expected to complete them following selection as a ME. In no instance will expected completion time exceed 36 months.

Law Enforcement and Security Experience:

All members who have demonstrated previous law enforcement or security experience (Coast Guard and non-Coast Guard) will be given weighted consideration for selection into the ME rating.

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