



## 52-foot Motor Life Boat (MLB)

**Crew:** 5  
**Original**  
**Cost:** \$236,000(1962)  
**Length:** 52 feet  
**Beam:** 14 feet 6.5 inches  
**Draft:** 6 feet  
**Displacement:** 32 tons  
**Engine:** 2 170 hp GM 6 71  
**Speed:** 11 knots  
**Range:** 495 nm  
**Endurance:** 12 hours

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**General Information:** Built in 1960 to replace wooden-hulled ships that carried the same names since the 1930's, these steel-hulled 52-foot motor life boats can withstand 100-mile an hour winds and sea swells up to 35 feet. These are the only Coast Guard vessels under 65 feet that have names. Motor lifeboats are the workhorses of rescue stations. Only four 52-footers are in service.

They are built to withstand the most severe conditions at sea and are capable of effecting a rescue at sea even under the most difficult circumstances. They are self-bailing, self-righting, almost unsinkable, and have a long cruising radius.

**Missions:** Search and rescue, maritime law enforcement, marine environmental protection, and recreational boating safety.

All of the Coast Guard's 52-foot Motor Life Boats are located in the 13<sup>th</sup> District at:



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Victory - Station Yaquina Bay, Newport, Ore.  
Invincible II - Station Grays Harbor, Westport, Wash.  
Triumph II - Station Cape Disappointment, Ilwaco, Wash.  
Intrepid -- Station Coos Bay, Charleston, Ore.