

UNIT INFORMATION

DATE SHEET FILLED OUT: 08/05/2013 District 9

CG Station Buffalo, NY



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Coast Guard Station Buffalo
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Buffalo, NY 14203

COMMERCIAL PHONE # 716.843.9560 Fax: 716.843.9567

UNIT MISSIONS: Station Buffalo performs Search and Rescue, Maritime Law Enforcement, Ice Rescue, and Ports, Waterways, and Coastal Security missions.

TYPICAL SA/SN JOB ASSIGNMENT: An SA/SN will be expected to certify, Communications Watch-stander, Boat Crewmember, Boarding Team Member, and Ice Rescuer.

TYPICAL FA/FN JOB ASSIGNMENT: An FA/FN will be expected to certify, Communications Watch-stander, Boat Crewmember, Boarding Team Member, and Ice Rescuer

INPORT WATCH TYPE AND DUTY ROTATION FOR SA/SN: Station Duty Port and Starboard with sliding weekends. Port and Starboard is where there are two duty sections which alternate duty days. Ex: Stand duty Monday, and Tuesday, off work Wednesday, Thursday, back on duty Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Then off Monday, Tuesday, back on Wednesday, Thursday, and off for the weekend. Station duty consists of Communications Watch, performing underway missions as required, as well as, maintenance of the boats and station facilities.

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SPECIAL PROCEDURES FOR REPORTING AFTER HOURS: Contact the Station OOD at 716-843-9560 if reporting after hours so notifications can be made to Sector Buffalo watch standers to expect you.

HOW MUCH PERSONAL STORAGE SPACE: All personnel have a locker about the size of a typical high school locker in berthing rooms, and a duty locker for boat crew gear that is half the size of the berthing locker.

UNIFORM NORMALLY WORN DURING THE WORKDAY: **Operational Dress Uniform**

AVERAGE TEMPERATURE SUMMER: 70-80 F WINTER: 00-15 F

UNIT MUTUAL ASSISTANCE REP/ PHONE # 716.843.9302, **YNC McCabe**

WHAT TYPE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION IS AVAILABLE IN THE AREA: **Erie Community College, SUNY Buffalo, Trocaire College, and others. The best resource for finding colleges in the area will be on line searches.**

RATINGS PRESENT AT UNIT: **BM, MK, ME**

NAME OF NEAREST CITY AND DISTANCE: **The nearest city is Buffalo, NY approximately 1 mile to downtown. Station Buffalo, is also near Niagara Falls, NY about 40 minutes away, and Erie, PA about 90 minutes away.**

NAME OF NEAREST MILITARY FACILITY AND DISTANCE: **Station Buffalo is co-located with Sector Buffalo. Niagara Falls Reserve Air Base is in Niagara Falls, NY 30 minutes away.**

LOCATION OF NEAREST EXCHANGE AND COMMISARY: **There is a small exchange located on base.**

RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS IN THE AREA: **Many religions are prominent in the area**

AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY IF NOT A CUTTER: **Lake Erie to Dunkirk (south AOR) and Mouth of Niagara river on Lake Erie to Niagara Falls (north) we conduct SAR in Canadian waters as well.**

UNIFORM TO REPORT IN: [Members are to report aboard in Tropical Blue, or Service Dress Blue uniform.](#)

IF SPONSOR NOT AVAILABLE, RECRUIT SHOULD ASK FOR: [Station Officer of the Day](#)

ANY OTHER INFORMATION A NEWLY ARRIVING APPRENTICE NEEDS TO KNOW:



UNIT NAME: **Coast Guard Station Buffalo**

MEMBERS WITHOUT DEPENDENTS

IS MESSING AVAILABLE: There is no Galley on base. Station Buffalo has a kitchen, but members must cook their own meals.

QUARTERS AND OR BARRACKS AVAILABLE: There is no housing available on base. Members are required to maintain a residence off base. There are numerous apartment complexes in the area as well as houses for sale and/or rent. www.buffalo.com is an excellent resource for housing in the area, and for local information.

IS UNACCOMPANIED PERSONNEL LEASED HOUSING AVAILABLE: No

WHERE WILL A SINGLE NON-RATE MORE THAN LIKELY LIVE: In a home or apartment off base. Members receive Basic Allowance for Housing to assist with the cost of living off base.

SHOULD MEMBER SUBMIT HOUSING APPLICATION TO HOUSING OFFICE:
No

WHERE DO MOST PEOPLE BANK: There are a number of banks in the area. Some members keep an account with USAA, which can also provide auto and renters/homeowners insurance.

IS THERE A CREDIT UNION IN THE AREA: YES

IS THERE A MALL IN THE AREA: There are three notable malls in the area. Galleria Mall to the East of downtown, McKinley Mall to the South, and Boulevard Mall to the North.

HOW MANY STORES: 40-70 per mall

MEMBERS WITH DEPENDENTS

COST OF AVERAGE TWO-BEDROOM APARTMENT IN THE AREA: Anywhere from \$500-\$1000 not including utilities. Many complexes in the area provide some utilities, however most do not offer all.

BAH RATE FOR AN E2: \$1164 with dependents \$873 without dependents E3: same as E-2

IS LEASED HOUSING AVAILABLE: YES (but only in very specific circumstances)

IS GOVERNMENT OWNED HOUSING AVAILABLE: NO

WHAT IS THE AVERAGE WAIT FOR HOUSING: Most complexes will have housing available immediately

HOUSING OFFICE PHONE# N/A

FAX# N/A

WHERE DO MOST DEPENDENTS LIVE: Amherst, Hamburg, Cheektowaga, and Niagara Falls.

WHERE DO MOST DEPENDENTS RECEIVE MEDICAL CARE: There are numerous providers in the area that accept TRICARE insurance.

WHERE DO DEPENDENTS GO TO SCHOOL: There are numerous schools in the area.

WHAT LEVEL OF TRICARE IS AVAILABLE: TRICARE Prime Remote

IS MET-LIFE DENTAL AVAILABLE: Yes

IS IT ADVISABLE TO BRING DEPENDENTS ALONG WHEN REPORTING? When reporting to the station it is best to come by yourself. When a new member reports there is a lot of paperwork, and information thrown at them in a short period of time. If a new member would like to bring their dependents to work for a tour that can come at a later time.



