Pub 1 also describes the nature of our Military, Multi-mission, Maritime Service:

Our Ethos

The Guardian Ethos

I am America's Maritime Guardian. I serve the citizens of the United States. I will protect them. I will defend them. I will save them. I am their Shield. For them I am *Semper Paratus*. I live the Coast Guard Core Values. I am a Guardian. We are the United States Coast Guard.

> Our Core Values Honor, Respect, Devotion to Duty

Our Principles of Operation

Clear Objective Effective Presence Unity of Effort On-Scene Initiative Flexibility Managed Risk Restraint Pub 1 can be accessed and downloaded from the U.S. Coast Guard Internet Home Page in the Commandant's Corner.

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Our Motto Semper Paratus (Always Ready)



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Pub 1 - The Coast Guard's Capstone Doctrine

"I am proud to introduce the first revision of Coast Guard Publication 1 (Pub 1). Since its original printing in 2002, Pub 1 has served as our capstone doctrine. It defines our principles and culture. It communicates who and what the Coast Guard is, what we do, and how we accomplish our missions."

- Admiral Thad W. Allen, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard



From the Introduction. . .

"What makes the Coast Guard unique is that in executing our diverse missions we harmonize seemingly contradictory mandates. We are charged at once to be police officers, sailors, warriors, humanitarians, regulators, stewards of the environment, diplomats, and guardians of the coast. Thus, we are military, multimission, and maritime."

"Because this doctrine is rooted in history, it is enduring. Doctrine influences the way policy and plans are developed, forces are organized, trained and employed, and equipment is procured and maintained. It promotes unity of purpose, guides professional judgment, and enables Coast Guard active duty, reserve, civilian, and auxiliary members to best fulfill their responsibilities. Pub 1 tells us how we became—and why we are—**America's Maritime Guardian**."



Pub 1 Describes Our Principles and Culture

It describes our:

Three Roles

Maritime Safety • Maritime Security • Maritime Stewardship

Eleven Statutory Missions

Multi-Mission Shore-Based Forces

Deployable Specialized Forces

Maritime Patrol & Interdiction Forces

Marine Safety Search & Rescue Defense Readiness Migrant Interdiction Other Law Enforcement Ports, Waterways, & Coastal Security

Forces

Ice Operations Drug Interdiction Aids to Navigation Living Marine Resources

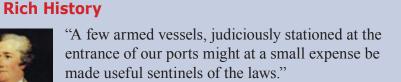


Living Marine Resources Marine Environmental Protection









— Alexander Hamilton (Federalist Paper 12, 1787)

Alexander Hamilton's June 4, 1791 letter of instruction to the Captains of the Revenue Cutters appears in its entirety in Pub 1.

Periods in Coast Guard History

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