



United States Coast Guard
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Sources on U.S. Coast Guard History in the United States

Introduction

This guide is the first attempt by the U.S. Coast Guard Historian's Office to produce a research aid akin to the Naval History and Heritage Command's *U.S. Naval History Sources in the United States*. Issuing this online eliminates the limitations of size and cost associated with a traditional printed volume. It also enables greater accessibility to all of those individuals who may be interested in conducting research related to the United States Coast Guard and its predecessor services. By doing so, we hope to be able to provide more extensive information that is far easier to update and revise, allowing us to provide those interested with the most current information available. We hope this will aid researchers in locating primary source documents and stimulate interest in researching the history of the United States Coast Guard.

Most of the materials listed in this publication are the primary documents of officers, enlisted personnel, and civilian officials of the U.S. Coast Guard and its predecessor services. Additionally, the listings include personal papers collections of Secretaries of the Treasury, of the Navy, Transportation, and Homeland Security. Whenever possible the entries for each repository contain a link to the repository's website, many of which include finding aids to their holdings. The scope of the listed material covers the Service's history from the early National Period to the present.

The staff of the U.S. Coast Guard Historian's Office greatly appreciates the cooperation of all the repositories that answered our appeal for new information on their holdings and hopes that the archives and libraries listed in this publication will continue to provide updates to this site. We also welcome the descriptions of Coast Guard-related materials from other U.S. repositories not yet listed in this guide.

It is evident from this Guide that the sources related to the distinguished history of the Coast Guard are extremely rich and widely distributed throughout the United States. It is the hope of the entire staff that this online publication will encourage and facilitate research in the many aspects and time periods of U.S. Coast Guard history.

Editorial Note

In this edition of *Sources on U.S. Coast Guard History in the United States*, we have attempted to provide descriptions of the various documents and collections. Putting the Guide online also makes future revisions and additions far simpler than with a printed volume. Those repositories listed are encouraged to send changes and descriptions of their new holdings and those institutions wishing to be listed for the first time are also most welcome to send information about their holdings on Coast Guard history. This information can be forwarded by mail to the Commandant (CG-092), ATTN: Chris Havern, U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 Second Street SW, Stop 7362, Washington, DC 20593-7362; by fax (202-372-4984); or [e-mail](#).

The new edition has been very much a team project. It could not have been completed without the efforts of the historians in the Washington, DC office, Chris Havern and Scott Price and the Area Historians, Bill Thiesen and Dave Rosen.

New England

Boston Public Library
700 Boylston Street, Copley Square
Boston, MA 02116

<http://www.bpl.org>
Telephone: (617) 536-5400

The library houses an extensive collection of USCG-related photography.

Coast Guard Museum and Coast Guard Academy Library
U.S. Coast Guard Academy
15 Mohegan Dr.
New London, CT 06320

<http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cg092/museum>
Telephone: (860) 444-8511
Fax: (860) 701-6700

Dartmouth College
Rauner Special Collections Library
6065 Webster Hall
Hanover, NH 03755-2519

Telephone: (603) 646-2037
Fax: (603) 646-0447

The Corey Ford Collection has the Colonel Bernt Balchen/CG Grumman Duck crash information

The Vilhjalmur Stefansson Collection has information related to:

- Wrangel Island
- USCGC Corwin
- Ada Blackjack
- USCGC Bear
- Miscellaneous Coast Guard

Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Hart Nautical Collections
MIT Museum (N51-233A)
265 Massachusetts Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02139

<http://web.mit.edu/museum/collections/index.html>
Telephone: 617-253-5942
Fax: 617-258-9107

The museum's collections include marine engineering plan data for Atlantic Works in the Atlantic Works Collection. These include plans and information for revenue cutters *Rush*, *Golden Gate*, *Winnisimmet*, *Manning*, *Tuscarora*, and *McCulloch*.

**Mystic Seaport
The Museum of America and the Sea
PO Box 6000
75 Greenmanville Avenue
Mystic, CT 06355**

**<http://www.mysticseaport.org>
Visitor Information: (860) 572-5315
(888) 973-2767**

Mystic Seaport is home to one of the most important collections in American maritime history, including some 75,000 objects, 500 watercraft, 1+ million photographs, 70,000 imprints, 2000 logbooks, over 350,000 boxes of manuscript material and 1.5 million feet of film. Note: Important holdings on the Coastal Picket Force in World War II. Also houses papers of New York Collector of Customs David Gelston which contains many references to revenue cutters.

**Nantucket Shipwreck and Lifesaving Museum
158 Polpis Road
Nantucket, MA 02554**

**<http://www.nantucketlifesavingmuseum.com>
Telephone: (508) 228-1885**

Houses an extensive collection of material related to the U.S. Life-Saving Service and U.S. Lighthouse Service. The archives contain almost a complete set of U.S. Lifesaving Service annual reports and many solo documents pertaining to the service. There is also an extensive collection of information and items pertaining to USCGC *Spencer*. The collection is open to researchers by appointment.

**National Archives and Records Administration - Northeast Region (NRABA)
Frederick C. Murphy Federal Center
380 Trapelo Road
Waltham, Massachusetts 02452-6399**

**Phone: (781) 663-0130
Fax: (781) 663-0154
E-mail: waltham.archives@nara.gov**

1,646.768 cu. ft. of Coast Guard-related textual records

Mid-Atlantic States

**Calvert Marine Museum
P.O. Box 97,**

Solomons, MD 20688

<http://www.calvertmarinemuseum.com>

Telephone: (410) 326-2042

The Calvert Marine Museum is a public, non-profit, educational, regionally oriented museum dedicated to the collection, preservation, research, and interpretation of the culture and natural history of Southern Maryland. The Calvert Marine Museum has grown to be one of the premier visitor attractions in Southern Maryland. Explore the history, culture, and lighthouses of the Chesapeake Bay and Patuxent River.

Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum

213 N. Talbot Street

P.O. Box 636

St. Michaels, MD 21663

<http://www.cbmm.org>

Telephone: (410) 745-2916

Fax: (410) 745-6088

The Museum's Library is primarily for scholars and researchers of maritime history and related fields. It is open by appointment only. All visitors wishing assistance from the curator are advised to call ahead before planning to use the library.

Books

The library's nearly 9,800 volumes relate to maritime and naval history, Maryland and Virginia state and local history, exploration and sea travel, regional maritime fiction, waterfowl hunting, marine engineering, navigation and seamanship, boat and ship design and construction, and yachting and recreational boating.

Periodicals

The library maintains an estimated 117 regional and maritime periodicals including an almost complete set of *Rudder*. The Museum's scholarly journal, *The Weather Gauge*, is full of originally researched articles exploring various aspects of Chesapeake Bay history.

Ships' Plans

The library's nearly 1,000 boat and ship plans detail the construction of modern pleasure craft, schooners, steamboats and other vessels on the Chesapeake.

Manuscripts

The 89 manuscript collections of the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum consist of business records, personal papers, drawings and photographs which document various facets of the history of the Chesapeake Bay region and in particular the Eastern Shore. These collections are useful for historical research, to aid in the interpretation of the museum's collections, and to provide background information on some individual objects in the collections. This guide provides access to the manuscript collections by subject matter, personal name, or collection number and provides short descriptions of the individual collections. More detailed descriptions and folder lists of the contents may be found in individual finding aids, which are by collection number in the manuscript collection notebook.

Oral History Tapes

150 taped oral histories.

Photographs

The library houses some 2,500 historic and contemporary photographs including works by such noted photographers as Hollerith, Larrabee, Walsh, and Chapelle himself.

National Archives and Records Administration - Northeast Region (NRAN))

**201 Varick Street
12th Floor
New York, NY 10014**

**Telephone: 866-840-1752
212-401-1620**

Fax: 212-401-1638

E-mail: newyork.archives@nara.gov

2,350.25 cu. ft. of Coast Guard-related textual records
168 cu. ft. 11,419 Maps and Charts

National Archives and Records Administration - Mid Atlantic Region (NRBPA)

**900 Market Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107-4292**

Telephone: 215-606-0100

Fax: 215-606-0116

E-mail: philadelphia.archives@nara.gov

1,916.218 cu. ft. of Coast Guard-related textual records
5,352 Maps and Charts

New York Public Library

Main Research Library

42nd & Fifth Avenue

New York, NY 10036

<http://www.nypl.org>

General Information (Switchboard): 212-930-0800

One of the five largest libraries in the world; extensive American history collection, offsite maritime material can be ordered from other locations.

Schomburg Center For Research In Black Culture

515 Malcolm X Boulevard

New York, NY 10037

<http://www.nypl.org/locations/schomburg>

(212) 491-2200

Photo archive contains images of African American Coast Guardsmen and SPARs during World War II in multiple theatres and the Home Front.

National Capital Area

**Library of Congress
Manuscript Division
101 Independence Avenue, SE
Madison Building, LM 101
Washington, DC 20540-4680**

**Telephone Number: (202) 707-3399
Fax: (202) 707-1957**

In the *Naval Historical Foundation Collection* are the papers of Eliot Snow and Leonard F. Cushing. Containers 23-28 contain papers related to Horatio D. Smith and the Revenue Cutter Service.

**Library of Congress
Prints and Photographs Division
101 Independence Ave, SE
Madison Building, LM 337
Washington, DC 20540-4730**

Among the holdings in this division are the New York World Telegram and Sun Newspaper Photograph Collection which contains thousands of Coast Guard-related images.

National Archives and Records Administration

**Record Group 26: Records of the United States Coast Guard
Total: 48,757.957 cu. ft. 1,413,094 items
Textual Archives Services Division--Archives I (NWCT1)
700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20408-0001**

**Telephone: 202-357-5000
Customer Service Center Telephone: 1-866-325-7208**

23,715.291 cu. ft.
8 cu. ft. 7,752 Still Pictures
2 cu. ft. 308 16 mm Negative Microfilm

**Cartographic and Architectural Records (NWCS-C)
National Archives at College Park (Archives II)
8601 Adelphi Road
College Park, MD 20740-6001**

**Telephone: 301-837-2000
Customer Service Center Telephone Number: 1-866-272-6272**

10 cu. ft. 401 Maps and Charts

0.87 cu. ft. 58 35 mm Negative Microfilm
0.18 cu. ft. 12 35 mm Positive Microfilm
1,746.8 cu. ft. 85,511 Architectural and Engineering Drawings

Motion Picture, Sound, and Video Records (NWCS-M)
National Archives at College Park (Archives II)
8601 Adelphi Road
College Park, MD 20740-6001

Telephone: 301-837-2000
Customer Service Center Telephone Number: 1-866-272-6272

2.154 cu. ft.
373.75 cu. ft. 1,731 Motion Pictures
1 cu. ft. 17 Sound Recordings
8 cu. ft. 97 Video Recordings

Still Picture Records (NWCS-S)
National Archives at College Park (Archives II)
8601 Adelphi Road
College Park, MD 20740-6001

139 cu. ft. 55,385 Still Pictures
7 cu. ft.
7.482 cu. ft. 199 Posters

Telephone: 301-837-2000
Customer Service Center Telephone Number: 1-866-272-6272

Textual Archives Services Division--Archives II (NWCT2)
National Archives at College Park (Archives II)
8601 Adelphi Road
College Park, MD 20740-6001

550.959 cu. ft. of Coast Guard-related textual records

Telephone: 301-837-2000
Customer Service Center Telephone Number: 1-866-272-6272

Electronic and Special Media Records Services (NWME)
National Archives at College Park (Archives II)
8601 Adelphi Road
College Park, MD 20740-6001

Telephone: 301-837-2000
Customer Service Center Telephone Number: 1-866-272-6272

0 cu. ft. 1,244,852 Logical Data Records

Naval History and Heritage Command

**805 Kidder Breese Street SE
Washington Navy Yard
Washington, DC 20374-5060**

<http://www.history.navy.mil>

The NHHC is the home of the Navy Department Library which contains over 150,000 volumes related to the Navy and naval history. The Command's Operational Archive includes war diaries and operational reports from the USCG vessels deployed to Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War. The Photographic Branch has extensive pictorial reference files on all aspects of naval history including the Revenue Cutter Service and U.S. Coast Guard. Also included in the NHHC Collections is the ZC File which includes a small collection of holdings related to Revenue and USCG cutters. Those vessels are:

USRC *Alexander Hamilton* (1831)
USCGC *Alexander Hamilton* (1937) (also contains photography)
USRC *Eagle* (1798)
USRC *Galveston* (1898)
USRC *General Greene* (1799-1814)
USRC *James Campbell* (Civil War)
USRC *Jefferson* (1802-1817)
USRC *Miami* (service during Civil War)
USRC *Shubrick* (Civil War)
USRC *Spencer* (1844-1848)
USCGC *Spencer* (1937)
USCGC *Tampa* (World War I)
USRC *Varina* (Civil War)

**Smithsonian Institute
National Museum of American History
Kenneth E. Behring Center
Maritime History Collection
14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C.**

**<http://americanhistory.si.edu/>
Email: info@si.edu
Phone: (202) 633-1000**

In the maritime collections, more than 7,000 design plans and scores of ship models show the evolution of sailing ships and other vessels. Other items range from scrimshaw, photographs, and marine paintings to life jackets from RMS *Titanic*.

Southeast

**Cape Fear Museum of History and Science
814 Market Street
Wilmington, NC 28401**

**<http://www.capefearmuseum.com>
Telephone: 910-798-4350
Fax: 910-798-4382**

The primary holdings related to the USCG and its predecessors include:

U.S. Life-Saving Service Instructions to Mariners in Case of Shipwreck", circa 1890; *Register of the Officers, Vessels, and Stations of the US Coast Guard*, January 1918;

Instructions for Use of Gun & Rocket Apparatus for Lifesaving from Shipwreck, March 18, 1912; and several items related to USCGC *Modoc* from the 1920s.

J.Y. Joyner Library
East Carolina University
East Fifth Street
Greenville, NC 27858-4353

<http://media.lib.ecu.edu/spclcoll/coastguard/>

Telephone: (252) 328-6677

(866) 291-5581

O. W. "Sonny" Martin Jr. Coast Guard Auxiliary Records Collection

The J. Y. Joyner Library's Special Collections Department is the official repository of the records of the U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary (USCGA). The auxiliary is made up of civilians who volunteer thousands of hours in support of the United States Coast Guard missions and recreational boating safety. Although a part of Homeland Security, the auxiliary operates separately from the U.S. Coast Guard financially and structurally. The O. W. "Sonny" Martin Jr. Coast Guard Auxiliary Records Collection was established in 1988 through the efforts of Mr. Martin, who was the head of administration of the Wisconsin Historical Society. For many years he diligently collected documents of auxiliary members from across the country. Through the work of both dedicated members and district historians of the auxiliary, the collection continues to grow. Dating from the inception of the USCGA in 1939 to the present, the collection documents the work of the auxiliary throughout its history, including its role in patrolling the coast and providing port security during World War II and its present participation in search and rescue missions, administration of certified marine examinations, and promotion of boating safety. Like the USCGA, the collection is organized by district, region, division and flotilla, and each of these individual groups within the auxiliary has its own unique challenges and highlights. Each section of records features a range of documents. A list of these types of documents can be viewed at <http://media.lib.ecu.edu/sandbox/coastguard/docList.cfm>. Because of the size and rapid growth rate of the collection, a searchable database was created in 2007 to provide better access. The finding aid for the collection provides greater detail concerning the contents and how they are organized.

Mariner's Museum Library
100 Museum Drive
Newport News, VA 23606

<http://www.mariner.org>

Telephone: (757) 596-2222

Fax: (757) 591-7320

The Mariner's Museum has merged with the NYC South Street Seaport Museum and has been designated the national maritime library. It is also the holder of the Chris Craft archives. The library also houses an extensive collection of merchant vessel photography taken by the USCG as part of the service's documentation of merchant vessels during World War II.

National Archives and Records Administration - Southeast Region (NRCAA)
4712 Southpark Blvd.
Ellenwood, GA 30294

Telephone: 404-736-2820

1,035.545 cu. ft. of USCG-related textual records

Outer Banks History Center
1 Festival Park Boulevard
Manteo, NC 27954

<http://www.obhistorycenter.ncdcr.gov>

Telephone: (252) 473-2655;

Fax: (252) 473-1483;

Email: obhc@ncdcr.gov

The holdings of the History Center include manuscripts, books, photographs, slides, and negatives, periodicals and serials, maps, newspapers and public records on microfilm, oral histories, audio and video recordings, ephemera, and original works of art. The History Center holds nearly 300,000 items.

Subject areas address historical, cultural, economic, governmental, and scientific topics pertaining to North Carolina and to neighboring states. These include:

- Civil War and other coastal military operations
- Coastal commerce, industry, and trade
- Coastal ecology and natural history
- Coastal transportation and civil engineering
- Elizabethan history and culture
- Family history and genealogy
- History and development of regional organizations
- Local history including Native American and African-American history
- Maritime history and early European exploration
- Shipwrecks (extensive collection of USLSS/USCG wreck reports)
- Lighthouses
- Piracy

USLSS/USCG Items

33MSS-8: U. S. Lifesaving Service Wreck Reports and Payroll Records

These papers contain valuable information pertaining to activities and operations of the U. S. Lifesaving Service/U. S. Coast Guard, from 1892-1929. The wreck reports document shipwrecks and rescue efforts along the North Carolina coast, as well as Virginia and South Carolina coasts. Payroll records, bills, and leases document the administrative activities of the stations. This collection also has letters of application and recommendation for the position of keeper. There are also some wreck reports for several stations and houses of refuge in Florida.

The wreck reports were indexed and cross referenced in 2007 by Kelly R. Grimm. It is searchable by the name of the ship, name of the attending station, date, or box and folder. It is divided into five categories: Wreck Reports for Ships, Boats, and Seaplanes; Assistance Rendered to Individuals; All Other Reports (i.e. extinguished fire, towed cars, animal rescues, etc.); Letters of Recommendation and Application; and Maintenance, Repairs, and Additions.

The finding aid can be viewed at:

http://www.obhistorycenter.ncdcr.gov/ead/obhc_us_lifesaving_serivce_wreck_reports.xml

33MSS-63: Lifesaving Stations of the Outer Banks Collection

These papers contain information pertaining to the various lifesaving stations along the North Carolina coast, including: station name, active dates, United States Coast Guard numbers, architectural style, location and rescue/wreck reports. There is also a folder with general information about the lifesaving stations including reference sources, maps, wreck statistics, and copies of journal entries. This collection was researched and compiled by Steve Harrison.

The finding aid can be viewed at:

http://www.obhistorycenter.ncdcr.gov/ead/obhc_lifesaving_stations_outter_banks.xml

33SER-133: U.S. Lifesaving Service/U. S. Coast Guard Annual Reports

54 Annual Reports, T: Annual Report of the Operations of the US Life Saving Service FY 1876-1914, T: Annual Report of the US Coast Guard, 1915-1918, 1920, 1923-1924, 1927-1932, 1947, 1949 plus 1901 Remarks of Hon. Charles R. Thomas

Great Lakes Region

Door County Maritime Museum
120 N. Madison Avenue
Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

<http://www.dcm.org>
Telephone: (920) 743-5958
Fax: (920) 743-9483

Great Lakes Historical Society
Clarence S. Metcalf Great Lakes Maritime Research Library
480 Main Street
Vermilion, Ohio 44089

<http://www.inlandseas.org>
Telephone: (440) 967-3467
(800) 893-1485
Fax: (440) 967-1519

The Clarence S. Metcalf Great Lakes Maritime Research Library contains the largest collection of books, periodicals, drawings, records, technical materials, and photographs devoted to Great Lakes history! Our reference materials include:

- Thousands of files on vessels of the Great Lakes, including photographs, technical information, newspaper articles, personal histories, ticket stubs, postcards, and many other related documents.
- Files on maritime personalities, lighthouses, and many other Great Lakes topics.
- Thousands of scale line drawings of Great Lakes vessels.
- *Inland Seas*®, the Society's quarterly journal, from 1945-present.
- *Marine Review* from 1884-1931, containing information on important events, launchings, ship plans, people, and wrecks.

- *Merchant Vessels* from 1884-1965, providing information on shipyards, vessel dimensions, and more.
- *Red Books*, tracing captains when the vessel name or company is known.
- *Beeson's Maritime Directory*, listing information on storms, wrecks, and more.
- Thousands of books focusing on Great Lakes topics.
- The Dana T. Bowen Collection, containing hundreds of books, thousands of photographs, and files on various Great Lakes topics.

Great Lakes Shipwreck Historical Society

**400 W. Portage Avenue
Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan 49783**

<http://www.shipwreckmuseum.com>

Telephone: (800) 635-1742

Over 5,000 historic papers, paper images, and video of Great Lakes shipwrecks and the history of eastern Lake Superior; some concentration on *Edmund Fitzgerald*.

Historical Collections of the Great Lakes

**Bowling Green State University
Bowling Green, OH 43403-0001**

<http://www.bgsu.edu/colleges/library/cac/page39984.html>

Telephone: 419-372-9613

Fax: 419-372-0155

The Historical Collections of the Great Lakes (HCGL) is part of the Center for Archival Collections at Bowling Green State University. Its purpose is to collect, preserve, and make available to scholars, students, and the public, historical materials documenting the Great Lakes region and connecting waterways. The HCGL's collections include materials related to commercial shipping, shipbuilding, navigation, maritime law, commercial fishing, shipwrecks, yachting, labor history, popular literature, freshwater ecology, recreation, and the history of Great Lakes ports.

Keweenaw County Historical Society

**670 Lighthouse Road
Eagle Harbor MI 49950**

www.keweenawhistory.org

The historical society has records related to those who served in the Eagle Harbor Lighthouse.

Michigan Maritime Museum

**260 Dyckman Avenue
Marialyce Canonie Great Lakes Research Library
91 Michigan Avenue
South Haven, MI 49090**

www.michiganmaritimemuseum.org

Museum: (269) 637-8078

Toll Free: (800) 747-3810

Fax: (269) 637-1594

Library: (269) 637-9156

The Marialyce Canonie Great Lakes Research Library and the collections of the Michigan Maritime Museum contain the following U.S.Coast Guard, U.S. Life Saving Service and U.S. Lighthouse Service/Establishment items:

Books
Postcards
Photographs
Correspondence
Oral histories
Lighthouse and vessel plans
Annual reports

National Archives and Records Administration - Great Lakes Region (NRDA)
7358 South Pulaski Road
Chicago, IL 60629-5898

Telephone: 773-948-9000

608 cu. ft. of Coast Guard-related textual records

Pointe Aux Barques Life Saving Station
Port Hope, MI 48468-9759

<http://www.pointeauxbarqueslighthouse.org/light/lss.cfm>

Museum holds items related to the station and the Pointe Aux Barques disaster, in which Station Keeper. Joseph Kiah's crew perished on April 23, 1880 while attempting to conduct a rescue.

Wisconsin Maritime Museum
75 Maritime Drive
Manitowoc, WI 54220

<http://www.wisconsinmaritime.org>
Toll Free: 866-724-2356
Local: 920-684-0218
Fax: 920-684-0219

Among the museum's extensive manuscript holdings is Ms 36 related to the US Coast Guard

SCOPE & CONTENT: Ms 36 United States Coast Guard

U.S. Coast Guard and its beginnings.

Ms 36.1 USCG – General

Ms 36.1-1 USCG Vessels

Ms 36.1-1.1 Bristol Bay

Ms 36.1-1.2 Dalewis, Ida

Ms 36.1-1.3 Walker, Katherine

Ms 36.1-1.4 Mackinaw

Ms 36.1-2 Navigation

Ms 36.1-3 USCG in World War II

Ms 36.1-4 Certificates and licenses

Ms 36.2 Lifesaving Service – general

Ms 36.2-1 Certificates and licenses
Ms 36.2-1 Exam papers
Ms 36.3 Lighthouse Keepers Service
Ms 36.3-1 Hopson, James Sr.
Ms 36.4 USCG Revenue Cutter Service
Ms 36.5 Steamboat Inspection Service

Midwest/Great Plains

National Archives and Records Administration - Central Plains Region (NREKA)
17501 W. 98th, Suite 47-48
Lenexa, KS 66219

Telephone: 913-563-7600
Fax: 913-563-7691

36 cu. ft. of Coast Guard-related textual records

National Personnel Records Center (NRPC)
Military Personnel Records
9700 Page Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63132-5100

9,832 cu. ft. of Coast Guard-related textual records

Southwest

National Archives and Records Administration - Southwest Region (NRFFA)
501 West Felix Street, Building 1
Fort Worth, Texas 76115-3405

Phone: 817-831-5620
Fax: 817-334-5621
E-mail: ftworth.archives@nara.gov

1,448 cu. ft. of Coast Guard-related textual records

California

Los Angeles Public Library
Central Library's Historical California Photographs
Central Library

630 W. 5th St., Los Angeles, CA 90071

Phone: (213) 228-7000

http://photos.lapl.org/carlweb/jsp/photosearch_pageADV.jsp

Small collection of images related to SPARs and some pre-WWII cutters and stations

National Archives and Records Administration - Pacific Region (NRHLA)

24000 Avila Road

1st Floor, East Entrance

Laguna Niguel, California 92677-3497

Telephone: (949) 448-4931

Email: laguna.archives@nara.gov

275 cu. ft. of Coast Guard-related textual records

National Archives and Records Administration - Pacific Region (NRHSA)

1000 Commodore Drive

San Bruno, California 94066-2350

Telephone: (650) 238-3501

(650) 238-3501

Fax: (650) 238-3510

E-mail: sanbruno.archives@nara.gov

981 cu. ft. of Coast Guard-related textual records

Nautical Research Centre Library

335 Vallejo Street

Petaluma, CA 94952

Telephone : (707) 763-8453

Email: librarian@nrclib.org

The library houses books, pamphlets, journals/magazines, newspaper clippings, drawings, blueprints, plans, photographs, slides, postcards, audio, video, and more. Library-quality reproductions of rare books/pamphlets on lighthouses and life-saving including *The Annual Report of the U.S. Life-Saving Service* (1876 to 1914) and *The Annual Report of the Light-House Board* (1868 to 1939). Individual volumes as well as entire sets of reproductions are available.

Oakland Public Library

125 14th Street

Oakland, CA 94612

<http://www.oaklandlibrary.org>

The library has 15 linear feet of documentation related to USCGC *Bear* from 1895-1932.

**San Francisco Maritime
National Historical Park Library
Building E
Fort Mason Center
San Francisco, CA 94123**

Telephone: (415) 447-5000

The library houses an extensive collection of merchant vessel photography taken by the USCG as part of the service's documentation of merchant vessels during World War II. The collection also contains a nearly complete set of *The Annual Report of the Light-House Board* (1853 to 1913).

Pacific Northwest

**Coast Guard Museum of the Northwest
1519 Alaskan Way South
Seattle, WA 98134**

<http://www.rexmwess.com/cgpatches/cogardmuseum.html>

Telephone: (206) 217-6993

Research resources include over three thousand books and periodicals covering Coast Guard and Northwest maritime history, over twenty five hundred historical documents, clippings and vessel plans, and over fifteen thousand photographs dating back into the 19th century.

**National Archives and Records Administration - Pacific Alaska Region (NRISA)
6125 Sand Point Way NE
Seattle, Washington 98115-7999**

Telephone: 206-336-5115

Email: seattle.archives@nara.gov

1,363.22 cu. ft. of Coast Guard-related textual records

**Oregon Historical Society
1200 SW Park Avenue
Portland, OR 97205**

<http://www.ohs.org/index.cfm>

Phone: (503) 222-1741

Fax: (503) 221-2035

Photographs of USCG Stations in District 13.

Point Orford Lifeboat Station
Point Orford Heritage Society
P.O. Box 1132
Port Orford, OR 97465

<http://www.portorfordlifeboatstation.org>
Telephone: (541) 332-0521

The primary holdings of the lifeboat station include Coast Guard letters associated with the procurement and construction of the Port Orford Coast Guard Lifeboat Station. It also has several manuals and government publications, photographs, journals, and other information from Coast Guard personnel who served at this location.

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