



Acquisition Directorate

RESPONSE BOAT-SMALL

Mission execution begins here.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Coast Guard is replacing its Response Boat-Small (RB-S) fleet. The Response Boat-Small is a multi-mission platform, used for the full range of Coast Guard missions, including: search and rescue; vessel boarding team deployment and law enforcement missions; port security; drug and migrant interdiction and environmental response operations.

The RB-S II, designed with an increased emphasis on function and crew comfort, will gradually replace the Defender-class RB-S as the older assets reach the end of their service life. The RB-S replacement is one of the largest boat buys of its type for the Coast Guard. The service plans to procure up to 500 new RB-S units, with as many as 20 of those being delivered to U.S. Customs and Border Protection and 10 to the U.S. Navy.

For updates on the RB-S, visit the project's website at <http://www.uscg.mil/acquisition/rbs/>.



RB-S

The Response Boat-Small is a high-speed, easily deployable asset designed to operate year-round in shallow waters along coastal borders.

FEATURES:

- Functional design and focus on crew comfort
- Standardized communications and navigation suite
- 360 degrees visibility
- State-of-the-art shock-mitigating seats
- Fore and aft gun mounts with a forward shock-mitigating gunners seat
- Crew restraints
- Lowering cabin windows
- 2 NAVNET 3D displays for secondary navigation
- Cabin integrated ballistics panels for crew protection

CHARACTERISTICS:

- Number Planned:** up to 500
- Length:** 28 feet 6 inches
- Beam:** 8 feet 6 inches
- Draft:** 1 foot 6 inches
- Displacement:** 8,300 pounds
- Maximum Speed:** 45+ knots
- Range:** 150 nautical miles at cruising speed
- Crew:** up to four