



# Education and Training



## Right Sailor... Right Skills... Right Time...

The Center for Surface Combat Systems provides maintenance and operations training for surface combat systems. This includes specialized skills training for enlisted ratings and officer designators required to tactically operate, maintain, and employ the weapons, navigational, and operations systems found onboard Navy ships. CSCS conducts training for 9 enlisted ratings: Fire Controlmen, Electronic Technicians, Interior Communications, Sonar Technician (surface), Gunner's Mates, Mineman, Operations Specialists, Boatswain's Mates, and Quartermasters. The goal of NETC is to enable the Fleet to successfully execute the Maritime Strategy by providing quality training and education to our Maritime Forces.

### Enabling the Maritime Strategy

- Gunner's Mate Rating and System Requirements Reviewed (Read the story on Navy.mil)
- Senior Officers Experience LCS Training (Read the story on Navy.mil)
- Republic of Korea Navy Officers See US Navy Training Up-Close (Read the story on Navy.mil)
- U.S. Fleet Forces Commander Sees Training Firsthand in Dahlgren (Read the story on Navy.mil)

### Working with the Surface Warfare Enterprise

A study of surface force capability by Commander, Pacific Fleet's Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense (BMD) Program Office, and a CSCS Aegis missile defense performance review revealed declining knowledge levels, skill gaps, and lack of proficiency at the operator, individual/team level in missile defense anti-submarine warfare, and Command, Control, Communications, Computers and Combat Systems Intelligence (C5I) mission areas. To meet these shortfalls CSCS developed a three-phase Integrated Air And Missile Defense (IAMD) Surface Warfare Advanced Warfare Training program. The training includes a self assessment, as well as individual and team training in multi-warfare scenarios.



Sailors from USS Freedom's (LCS1) "Blue" crew learn how to operate their ship in the LCS1 Shore Based Trainer.

**"The staff and facilities at the LCS Shore Based Training Facility (SBTF) have been invaluable in our preparation for carrier strike group operations and RIMPAC 2010. The exercise scenarios are robust and realistic."**

**Cmdr. Kris Doyle  
Commanding Officer  
USS Freedom**

### CSCS - By the Numbers

- Number of Sailors trained FY10: 49,640
- Percentage of CBT in CSCS courses: Less than 6%
- Number of courses taught FY10: 612

## Center for Surface Combat Systems

### Enabling a Global Force for Good

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