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MEMORANDUM

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Subj: MINIMUM AUXILIARY BOAT CREW REQUIREMENTS

Ref: (a) Auxiliary Operations Policy Manual, COMDTINST M16798.3E

1. This Memo clarifies minimum Auxiliary boat crew requirements for the First District Northern Region.

2. Current D1 (NR) Auxiliary minimum crew requirements shall follow the national standards as set forth in reference (a):

	Coxswain	Crewmembers
Vessels under 26ft:	1	1
Vessels 26ft to under 40ft:	1	2
Vessels 40ft to under 65ft:	1	3
Vessels 65ft and over:	1	4

3. A trainee cannot be used to fulfill the minimum crew requirements. These requirements are set in POMS. The minimum crew requirements must be filled by qualified members and it is the responsibility of the Coxswain to make sure that all crew members including themselves are qualified before getting underway. POMS will reject any patrol orders if the minimum crew requirements are not followed.

4. These standards are minimums. Order issuing authorities and coxswains may and are strongly encouraged to increase these standards. They may impose additional restrictions such as minimum equipment required and maximum sea state, taking into account the facility size and capabilities, mission, crew experience, and environmental factors in their AOR's.

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