



Retired Status

Retired status is designed to recognize the continuous significant contributions of those Auxiliarists who no longer desire or are unable to participate in the authorized activities. Retired status is not a membership category and is not intended for all Auxiliarists. Retired status should be recognized by a suitable certificate presented at an appropriate ceremony.

Requirements

An Auxiliarist must have been in the Auxiliary for at least fifteen years to achieve retired status. Under rare, extraordinary, and special circumstances, the Director may waive this requirement.

Restrictions

A request letter for retired status must be submitted through the chain of leadership and management to the Director who must approve the request.

The following restrictions apply to retired Auxiliarists:

- Cannot vote.
- Cannot hold office.
- Cannot participate in other than Auxiliary social programs.
- Cannot receive Coast Guard orders to perform a specific duty or be assigned to duty.
- Cannot use Government exchanges, vehicles, or postage.
- Must return unexpired U.S. Government Auxiliary ID card and other Auxiliary or Government property to appropriate Coast Guard authority.

Privileges

The following privileges apply to retired Auxiliarists:

- Authorized to wear the Auxiliary uniform with such insignia as the highest past office entitles at appropriate functions.
- May have their facility inspected as a retired facility and display the Auxiliary Ensign on any currently inspected vessel facility, and on or near buildings or homes in which such facility is located or in which the retired Auxiliarist resides. Those Auxiliarists may fly the Auxiliary Ensign day and night. While underway, an Auxiliarist must be on board when flying the Auxiliary Ensign. The Auxiliary Ensign must be maintained in good condition at all times (true color, no tattered corners, strings, etc.) to bring credit to the organization.
- Will no longer pay dues.
- If circumstances change, a retiree may apply to the Director or return to a previous full membership category.
- May attend Auxiliary meetings and participate in fellowship activities.