



Safety at Sea 2026

U.S. Coast Guard Station Annapolis
3425 Thomas Point Rd, Annapolis Maryland 21403
19 September 2026

BOARDING MANUAL

WHAT: A fun, action-packed day of hands-on exposure to Coast Guard rescue techniques and equipment.

WHEN: Saturday, September 19, 2026. Any decision to cancel the event due to inclement weather will be made by 5pm on Friday, September 18, 2026, by email notice to registered unit leaders. There is no rain date. If the event is canceled due to inclement weather, no refunds will be issued.

WHO: This event is sponsored jointly by the Baltimore Area Council, BSA, the United States Coast Guard Sector Maryland-National Capital Region, United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, and FOSSOM Inc. This co-ed event is open to all registered Sea Scouts, Maritime Explorers, Venturers, and Scouts BSA members who are least 14 years old. Maritime Explorers ages 11-14 are also invited to attend. **Units are required to bring at least 2 adult leaders to comply with Youth Protection Guidelines.**

WHERE: U.S. Coast Guard Station Annapolis, 3425 Thomas Point Rd, Annapolis MD 21403. CG Station Annapolis is located on beautiful Fishing Creek.

PARKING: Parking will only be available for those registered for Safety at Sea. Participants should be prepared to walk, and must also be able to get in and out of boats.

SECURITY: This is a Federal military installation. All scouts and adults must register in advance. **Registration deadline is Monday, September 14, 2026.** If a scout or adult is not registered by the September 14 deadline, they will not be allowed to attend. *No exceptions or substitutions will be made.* **The Coast Guard requires a list of all participants be submitted in a timely manner prior to Safety @ Sea. Current IDs are recommended for all attending.**

DRIVERS: Station Annapolis doesn't require information about driver's license, vehicle registration, or vehicle insurance. However, **adults will only be admitted if their name is on the master list of attendees.**

Check-In is on Saturday morning, September 19, between 0730 and 0815. Please note that Station Annapolis does Morning Colors at 0800. All activities will stop momentarily, and you should face the flag and salute. The Opening Ceremony will begin at 0830 sharp.

WHY: First? **FUN!** Second, it gives Scouts a chance to participate in activities such as man overboard drills, sharpen their radio communication, navigation, and marlinspike skills, tour a US Coast Guard vessel, and learn more about the various U.S. Coast Guard missions.

COST: \$25 per person which entitles each participant to a patch and event participation. Adults and youth pay the same fee. Online registration and payment must be made through the Baltimore Area Council registration website, <https://scoutingevent.com/220-SaS26> Each youth and each adult must be registered.

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Monday , September 14, 2026. **No exceptions.** After this date, no substitutions can be made. No refunds will be issued for no-shows.

UNIFORMS: The uniform of the day for Sea Scout youth and adults will be your unit's informal activity uniform, sometimes called "Class B". Formal uniforms are not required.

SHOES - Closed-toe shoes must be worn. Flip-flops, open-toe shoes, and similar footwear are not allowed. Attendees not wearing proper shoes will not be allowed to participate.

LUNCHES: Each participant should bring their own lunch and personal filled water bottle. Bring cushions or chairs for sitting.

DRINKING WATER: There is no easily accessible drinking water. Units are encouraged to bring a filled water container large enough to permit unit participants to refill their personal water bottles as needed.

UPDATES: Updates to this boarding manual, if any, will be provided via email to registered unit leaders.

SPECIAL NEEDS: Some of the activities require agility. Please identify any youth that have special needs and be prepared to support their participation.

SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026:

0730 Check-In begins
0830 Opening ceremony, ground rules, and updating the day's events
0900 Events begin
1200 Break for lunch
1300 Events resume
1600 End of events, Field sweep (trash line) & closing

PROJECTED STATIONS: Coast Guard operational requirements may affect some activity substitutions. Each activity will involve a team of approximately eight youth participants. Teams will rotate through the different activities.

Stations/Activities (tentative)

First Aid Underway/CPR
Man overboard – **Bring your own PFD**
Coast Guard response boat
Coast Guard history
Radio communications – **Scouts should review prowords & phonetic alphabet in *Sea Scout Manual***
Paddlecraft safety
Navigation unplugged

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REGISTRATION: All units must do the following to register by the September 14, 2026 deadline:

1. Register **each** Scout and **each** adult attending online at

<https://www.scoutingevent.com/220-SaS26>

and make payment of \$25 for each participant through that website.

- a) Remember: A minimum of 2 adults per unit is necessary to comply with BSA Safeguarding Youth guidelines and at least one adult must be female if female youth are attending with the unit.
- b) Remember: Each adult attending must have current BSA Safeguarding Youth training.

2. Fill out the attached U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary and Boy Scouts of America Joint

Photography/Video/Audio Consent Form/Release Form ANSC-7020a (03-25). **EACH FORM**

MUST HAVE AN ORIGINAL SIGNATURE. NO PHOTOCOPIES OR PICTURES OF COMPLETED

FORMS CAN BE ACCEPTED. Bring these forms with you and hand them in at check-in.

CONDUCT: We are guests on an active U.S. military facility. Obey all instructions given to you by Coast Guard or Coast Guard Auxiliary personnel. Stay in the area immediately around the activities. Do not wander into any other areas. Collect your trash as we will have to clean up the facility before our departure. Failure to follow instructions may result in removal from the military base.

Other Information

- All Scout adults are responsible for securing parental/guardian permission slips for each youth participant. Event leadership will not be responsible for obtaining or checking permission slip forms.
- Adults are responsible for monitoring the behavior of their unit's scouts.
- Scouts should act like scouts (*A Scout is courteous*) and leave all areas better than they find them.
- Firearms are prohibited on the Station.
- All Scouts must have: a completed photo release form, water bottle, and be in "Class B" uniform.
- Unit leaders: Please collect and hand in at check-in all photo release forms for your unit. Bring **extra water in a full water cooler** for your unit. Be sure all your Scouts have permission slips.

Questions? Contact:

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Driving directions to 3425 Thomas Point Road, Annapolis from Baltimore

Route summary: Travel south via I-95, I-695, and I-97, then continue east toward Annapolis using US-50/US-301, MD-665, Forest Drive, Bay Ridge Road, Arundel on the Bay Road, and Thomas Point Road.

Highway route To Annapolis

1. Merge onto I-95 South and continue for 3.4 miles.
2. Use the left lane to take Exit 49A for I-695 East toward Glen Burnie and Annapolis, then continue for 0.5 miles.
3. Merge onto I-695 South and continue for 3.4 miles.
4. Use the left two lanes to turn slightly left onto I-97 South and continue for 17.6 miles.
5. Use the middle lane to take the US-50 East/US-301 North exit toward Annapolis and the Bay Bridge, then continue for 0.8 miles.
6. Keep right to continue on Exit 22, following signs for MD-665 East/Riva Road, and continue for 0.5 miles.
7. Continue on MD-665 East toward Annapolis Neck for approximately 6.9 miles.
8. Continue onto MD-665 East for 0.3 miles.
9. Continue straight to stay on MD-665 East for 0.6 miles.
10. Use the left two lanes to turn slightly left and stay on MD-665 East for 1.2 miles.
11. Continue onto Forest Drive for 2.4 miles; pass 7-Eleven on the right after approximately 1 mile.
12. Continue onto Bay Ridge Road for 0.5 miles; pass Truist on the right.
13. Turn right onto Arundel on the Bay Road and continue for 1.3 miles.
14. Continue straight onto Thomas Point Road and continue for 0.5 miles.
15. Turn left; the destination will be on the right.

Driving directions to 3425 Thomas Point Road, Annapolis from Virginia

Route summary: Travel north on I-95, continue around Washington via I-495/I-95, then take US-50 East toward Annapolis before using MD-665, Forest Drive, Bay Ridge Road, Arundel on the Bay Road, and Thomas Point Road.

Highway route To Annapolis

1. Merge onto I-95 North and continue for 5.0 miles.
2. Use the left two lanes to turn slightly left onto I-495 East/I-95 North; continue for 21.0 miles, passing through the District of Columbia and entering Maryland.
3. Take Exit 19A to merge onto US-50 East toward Annapolis and continue for 15.9 miles.
4. Take Exit 22 for MD-665 toward Aris T. Allen Boulevard/Riva Road and continue for 0.7 miles.
5. Keep right to stay on Exit 22, following signs for MD-665 East/Riva Road, and continue for 0.5 miles.
6. Continue on MD-665 East toward Annapolis Neck for approximately 13 minutes, covering 6.9 miles.
7. Continue onto MD-665 East for 0.3 miles.
8. Continue straight to stay on MD-665 East for 0.6 miles.
9. Use the left two lanes to turn slightly left and stay on MD-665 East for 1.2 miles.

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10. Continue onto Forest Drive for 2.4 miles; pass 7-Eleven on the right after approximately 1 mile.
11. Continue onto Bay Ridge Road for 0.5 miles; pass Truist on the right.
12. Turn right onto Arundel on the Bay Road and continue for 1.3 miles.
13. Continue straight onto Thomas Point Road and continue for 0.5 miles.
14. Turn left and continue for 0.1 miles; the destination will be on the right

Driving directions to 3425 Thomas Point Road from Delaware

Route summary: Travel south on I-95 and DE-1, continue onto US-301 South toward Annapolis, then use Rowe Boulevard, Taylor Avenue, Spa Road, Forest Drive, Bay Ridge Road, Arundel on the Bay Road, and Thomas Point Road.

Highway route To Annapolis

1. Merge onto I-95 South and continue for 5.8 miles.
2. Use the right two lanes to take Exit 4A and merge onto DE-1 South; continue for 5.5 miles.
3. Continue onto DE-1 South/US-13 South for 2.3 miles.
4. Continue onto DE-1 South for 3.6 miles; note that this portion includes a toll road.
5. Turn slightly right onto US-301 South toward Annapolis and continue for 72.2 miles; this portion includes a toll road and enters Maryland.
6. Take Exit 24A for Rowe Boulevard toward Annapolis and continue for 0.2 miles.
7. Merge onto Rowe Boulevard and continue for 0.9 miles.
8. Turn right onto Taylor Avenue and continue for 0.8 miles.
9. At the traffic circle, take the second exit onto Spa Road and continue for 1.0 mile.
10. Turn slightly left onto Forest Drive and continue for 1.5 miles; pass 7-Eleven on the right.
11. Continue onto Bay Ridge Road for 0.5 miles; pass Truist on the right.
12. Turn right onto Arundel on the Bay Road and continue for 1.3 miles.
13. Continue straight onto Thomas Point Road and continue for 0.5 miles.
14. Turn left; the destination will be on the right.

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PARENTAL RELEASE FOR MINOR CHILDREN (Under 18) I, (print name) _____, represent that I am the parent of (print child's name) _____, with the legal right to grant permission to the U.S. Coast Guard and the Boy Scouts of America to take and publish images and/or sound recordings of my child in news releases and/or educational and promotional materials in any medium of expression without limitation and without compensation of any kind to me or my child. I understand that all such images and sound recordings shall remain the joint property of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary and the Boy Scouts of America which have the exclusive right to their publication, and that the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary may assign the rights granted to it herein to the Coast Guard Auxiliary Association, Inc.		
_____ Signature of parent		_____ Date
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_____ Signature of adult subject		_____ Date
_____ Address		_____ City, State, Zip
PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT Authority: 14 U.S.C. § 39; 14 U.S.C. § 504, Commandant; general powers; and 14 U.S.C. § 505 Purpose: To obtain consent for publishing of photographs, video, and audio in the use of social media, and educational and promotional materials. Routine Uses: This information will be used to document consent of subjects for publishing of images and sound recordings in news releases and educational and promotional materials in any medium of expression without limitation and without compensation of any kind, and may be disclosed externally as a "routine use" pursuant to DHS/USCG-024 Auxiliary Database, 79 Federal Register 23001 (April 25, 2014) Disclosure: Furnishing this information is strictly voluntary.		
<i>*This consent form/release is to be used when photographing and/or recording joint U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary and Boy Scouts of America activities if identifiable images of minors are being recorded. Upon completion of this form, it is to be emailed to: aux7020aconsentforms@cgauxnet.us</i>		