

Director of Admissions United States Coast Guard Academy 31 Mohegan Avenue New London, CT 06320-4195

Dear Applicant,

Preparing for any service academy, including the Coast Guard Academy, takes an extra level of commitment. This handbook has been written to answer the questions and concerns that you or your family may have about our application process and your role in it. I hope you will take time to read it and ask your parents to do the same.

As you will read in this handbook, the sooner you complete your application the sooner we can provide you with our selection decision. If you have not already done so, I encourage you to complete your application as soon as possible. To check the status of your application, please visit your application homepage via the Bears Den.

https://uscga.askadmissions.net/VIP (Bears Den Login Page)

On behalf of our entire Admissions Team, we look forward to working with you!

Go Bears,

Andrew J. Behnke '01 Captain, U.S. Coast Guard Director of Admissions

P.S. Keep these important dates in mind as you complete your application:

October 15th - Early Action Application Deadline
By December 23rd - Early Action Decisions Published
January 15th - Regular Admission (Final) Application Deadline
By April 1st - Regular Admission Decisions Published
By April 1st - DoDMERB Medical Examination Deadline
May 1st - Appointment Acceptance/Declination Deadline
By May 1st - DoDMERB Medical Qualification/Waiver Deadline
June 1st - Accession Paperwork/Requirements Deadline
June 29th - Swearing-In Day for the Class of 2030

Basis for Selecting Cadets

The Coast Guard Academy holistically reviews all complete records submitted by eligible applicants. This means that we consider your whole application to gain a complete understanding of your personal, educational and professional goals, potential contributions, and the ways in which you will benefit from the unique education and training offered by the Coast Guard Academy.

The first step in our admissions review is to verify your eligibility. Applications submitted by students who are ineligible for admission will not be considered. An eligible applicant is:

- A U.S. citizen of sound moral character;
- Unmarried with no dependents or financial debt;
- 17-22 years of age on Swearing-In Day (June 29th for the Class of 2030);
- A high school graduate or GED recipient before Swearing-In Day (Day One); and
- 60-80 inches in height (58-59 inches require a height waiver to be granted; see page 3 for additional information and weight chart on page 9).

Once all required application items have been received, your record will be reviewed by our Cadet Candidate Evaluation Board (CCEB). The CCEB consists of Academy faculty members, Admissions staff, and senior military officers. Each record is independently reviewed by at least two board members who will recommend that the applicant receive an appointment, be considered for an appointment to the Coast Guard Academy Scholar (CGAS) Preparatory School Program, or not be offered an appointment to the Academy or CGAS Program. The recommendations of the CCEB are then considered by the Admissions Committee, which is headed by the Director of Admissions, who ultimately recommends applicants to the Superintendent for appointment. The CCEB and Admissions Committee must consider the following factors:

- An applicant's potential to develop into a leader of character grounded in strong intellectual skills and a healthy disposition;
- An applicant's capacity to meet the physical demands of the Academy and Coast Guard;
- An applicant's ability to thrive within the Academy's academic program;
- An applicant's motivation to develop and achieve their full potential; and
- How an applicant will enrich campus life for the benefit of others.

Early Action and Regular Admission

Early Action: Early Action is a non-binding (applicants are not required to accept an appointment, if offered) review guaranteeing if you submit all required application items by October 15th, you'll be notified of our decision no later than December 23rd. If offered a full appointment, Early Action applicants still have until May 1st to accept or decline their spot in the class. If not recommended for an appointment, Early Action applicants may be reevaluated during Regular Admission. Applicants notified that they will be reevaluated are encouraged to periodically update their file with new information to ensure they will be considered for appointment by the conclusion of Regular Admission. Although not required for Early Action review, we strongly recommend Early Action applicants complete their Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board (DoDMERB) medical exam by November 8th.

Tip: If notified that you will be reevaluated during Regular Admission, be sure to update your record with your first semester transcript, improved standardized test scores, and anything else you'd like the Admissions Committee to consider during your reevaluation.

Regular Admission: All applications received after the Early Action (October 15th) deadline will be reviewed in order of completion. Regular Admission applicants must submit all required application items by January 15th and will be notified of a decision no later than April 1st. Applicants who are re-applying are required to submit during Regular Admission. Applicants who were previously of-

fered a waitlist spot are not eligible to apply for Early Action.

After the Regular Admission (January 15th) deadline, applicants with incomplete records will not be considered for appointment. Applicants who have not completed their DoDMERB medical exam by April 1st may also be withdrawn from further consideration. Applicants who have not been found medically qualified or been granted a medical waiver by May 1st will not receive an appointment.

Types of Admission Decisions

Your admissions decision, and the majority of official correspondence, will be sent only via e-mail. Be sure to keep us informed of any e-mail address changes and check your inbox frequently.

Aside from the non-acceptance letter, be prepared to receive one of the following decisions:

Reevaluation: Approximately 100-200 Early Action applicants who are not selected for an appointment will be offered the opportunity to be reevaluated during Regular Admission. Your record will be reviewed again if you accept the offer and update your file with an academic transcript showing your most recent (fall semester) grades by February 1st. While some applicants may be appointed as a result of their reevaluation during Regular Admission, others may be offered a spot on our wait list.

Wait List: Approximately 100-200 applicants who are not selected for an appointment by April 1st will be offered a spot on our wait list. Your record will be reviewed again following the May 1st appointment acceptance/declination deadline if you accept your spot on the wait list and update your file with an academic transcript showing your most recent grades by May 1st. While some applicants may immediately be appointed from the wait list during the first week in May, additional appointments are often offered to wait list applicants through early June - the result of late medical disqualifications or appointment declinations.

Conditional Appointment: An offer of admission that is conditional on meeting some additional requirement(s) which include, but are not limited to, attaining your DoDMERB medical qualification or receiving a medical waiver, meeting Coast Guard accession height/weight standards, or improving your Physical Fitness Examination (PFE) score. By satisfying any final requirements by the stated deadline(s) in your letter, and otherwise remaining eligible, you will receive a full appointment.

Full Appointment: An offer of admission to the Coast Guard Academy. Your obligation is to accept or decline by May 1st unless a later date is specified in your appointment letter.

Influencing Admissions Decisions

Besides submitting all required items by the Early Action or Regular Admission deadlines, there are steps you can take to improve the probability that you will be selected for an appointment.

- Schedule and complete your medical examination as soon as possible after you receive your "scheduling instructions" from CIVTEAM via e-mail. Please ensure you check your junk/ SPAM e-mail folders as this message may be filtered there. DoDMERB/CIVTEAM acts on the Coast Guard's behalf to schedule you for a comprehensive medical exam and then review your results. This can be a time-consuming process and it is not unusual to wait up to a month, from the date of your exam, to learn your medical qualification status. Therefore, applicants who have not completed their medical exam by April 1st may be withdrawn from further consideration. Applicants who have not been found medically qualified or been granted a medical waiver by May 1st will not receive an appointment.
- Comply with Coast Guard accession height/weight standards. Every branch of the military has established height/weight standards for accession or "swearing in" to the service. Applicants who weigh too much or are too short (our applicants must be at least 60") or tall (our applicants cannot be taller than 80") will not be appointed to the Coast Guard Academy. You can check your height and weight using the table in this handbook; if you are not compliant with our standard, meet with your family physician to learn how to safely manage/lower your weight. Applicants who are over

- their maximum allowable accession weight on Day One will not be enrolled.
- Update your admissions record. We understand that senior year (or college) can be a busy time. You will probably continue to receive accolades after you apply, so we encourage you to update your record by e-mailing your Admissions Officer and the Processing Staff (Processing@uscga.edu) anytime you want to add something to your application. Updates are required to be in PDF or Word format only.

Important: Submit an updated copy of your transcript every time you receive semester or mid-term grades. If you are not satisfied with your PFE score, feel free to resubmit it after improving your fitness level. In general, the CCEB is looking for you to demonstrate that you're continuing to be a strong performer during your senior year or current college term.

- **Demonstrate interest.** Because we employ all our graduates, your interest in the Academy and the Coast Guard is an important consideration. There are many ways to demonstrate interest. For instance, we highly encourage you to make at least one campus visit and keep in close contact with your Admissions Officer. Once you complete your online application, you may be requested to complete an interview which can be conducted in your local area with either your Admissions Officer or an Academy Admissions Partner.

 Contact your Admissions Officer to learn more about our interview process.
- Stay in touch. Please don't forget to update your mailing address, e-mail address, and phone number(s) whenever they change. While full appointment offers will be made in writing and mailed to you, conditional appointment offers, wait list notifications and other changes in your admissions status will only be reported to you via e-mail, so you could miss an opportunity if your e-mail address is inactive or you don't check your e-mail account at least once a week.

Advice for Home School Students

Each year many home school students apply (and are selected) for admission. Their potential success as cadets is well established and we consider ourselves a "home school friendly" institution.

Like students in traditional secondary schools, the experiences of home school students vary widely. Because the specific curriculum and nature of a home school education may not be easily understood, home school students applying to college have a greater responsibility to effectively communicate with admissions offices and staff members. In the spirit of helping you put your best foot forward, we suggest that you consider the following when you apply to any college (including the Academy):

- Clearly state the nature of your relationship with those writing your academic recommendations.
 If your parents are completing these, because they are your instructors, consider supplementing
 their letters of recommendation with some from other individuals who also know you well, with
 particular regard to your intellectual and leadership attributes.
- Explain why you chose to study the courses you did. As a home school student, you have much more control over your curriculum than your peers attending a traditional secondary school and that should be to your benefit! Consider writing a short paragraph describing each course and the specific nature of the work you did. Describe what type of math you learned in each course, access to and use of lab equipment, and other items which may be unique to your studies.
- Seize opportunities to independently validate your grades and academic recommendations. These may include submitting transcripts for college course work you've completed, taking and submitting the results from Advanced Placement (AP) exams or SAT Subject Tests, and requesting reports from a validation service.
- Discuss your home school experience in your admissions application and personal statements. Explain how your education has prepared you for college and how you can uniquely contribute to the educational experience of your future classmates.

Should I accept my appointment?

By now you've probably realized that the admission process doesn't end when you complete your application! In fact, the relief of submitting all required application items may be a distant memory as the anxiety of waiting for an answer sets in. You may also wonder what you can do to prepare for your decision, if you receive an appointment offer.

Here are a few ideas that applicants have found helpful when making their acceptance decision.

Learn More

Consider a visit to the Coast Guard Academy or to a Coast Guard unit near your home. We offer several different visitation programs throughout the year and each offers a unique perspective on life at the Academy. Among the most popular for applicants are the Bears Day (Open House) and Cadet for a Day (Overnight) events. Several sessions will be held in the fall and winter, where you will have the opportunity to meet Academy faculty and staff, interact with current cadets, attend classes, and participate in activities not available to our regular visitors. If offered an appointment, you'll be invited to participate in the Academy Experience Program which takes place throughout the winter and spring. Staying overnight in Chase Hall (the cadet barracks) and shadowing a cadet host will truly show you what cadet life is all about. Your parents will also have the opportunity to get their questions answered during these programs. Check out https://www.uscga.edu/visit to learn more about visitation opportunities including online/virtual programs giving you the chance to learn more about the Academy without having to travel or leave home.

Join the Class of 2030 Facebook Group. This private group is just for people who have received appointments to the Class of 2030. You can become "friends" with your classmates or just participate without sharing your personal information. Once you're tendered a conditional or full appointment, you can join the group at https://www.facebook.com/groups/uscga2030/

Talk to a member of the Parents Association. The Parents Association is a non-profit organization run by cadet parents. Their sole purpose is to support the Coast Guard Academy and its Corps of Cadets. The sons and daughters of its members have walked in your shoes! Chapters frequently hold social events around the country and always host a welcome reception the night before Day One. Visit them at https://www.cgaparents.org to learn more and find a chapter near you.

Get in Shape!

To get in shape, we recommend a rigorous daily schedule of workouts that include warming up, stretching, running, swimming, and doing push-ups, sit-ups, and calisthenics exercises in the months prior to Day One. Please visit our website for workout routines developed by our Health and Physical Education staff to help you prepare for Swab Summer and the PFE. The Physical Fitness Guide and additional information can be found at CGA Physical Fitness Exam - United States Coast Guard Academy

The PFE is a required application item; the Candidate Fitness Assessment is not accepted.

Many of the cadets who experience unnecessary stress during Swab Summer regret that they did not work out more before Day One. As a Swab, you will be engaged in vigorous physical activity as soon as you arrive at the Academy. Most of the activity is designed to enhance your fitness level, but other activities will be physically demanding in different ways. For example, you will take the PFE and a basic swimming assessment test, be challenged on our obstacle course, and learn survival at sea skills. In order to participate and succeed at the Academy, you must be in top physical condition.

Remember: You must score at least 150 points on the PFE administered during the first week of Swab Summer and 180 points by the conclusion of Swab Summer. Failure to meet either of these requirements may result in immediate disenrollment.

Avoid Senioritis!

The Academy is a highly selective institution that provides its students with one of the most rigorous and rewarding college experiences in the country. The demands of cadet life are structured and fast paced. Each semester you will enroll in at least five academic courses, participate in a tough physical education and training program, and become actively engaged in leadership development. In short, you will be expected to manage your time even better than you do now. So don't get lazy!

Cadets who struggle academically often regret that they did not push themselves enough during their senior year of high school or current college term. We highly recommend that you take the most challenging math course available to you and read, read! Strong reading skills are necessary to succeed in every course you will take at the Academy and will serve you well throughout your life.

Being prepared will provide you the confidence to enthusiastically accept an appointment when offered and then ensure your success during Swab Summer and your first year at the Academy!

Medical Matters

<u>Do NOT delay in scheduling your medical exam!</u> You do not need to wait for an offer of appointment to complete your medical exam. The medical process can be lengthy, and waiting may cause added delays if you require a medical waiver for entry. Delaying the medical exams can cause you to not meet the medical qualifications deadlines.

The CGA Admissions Processing team must have received and fully processed the following items from your application before we will inform DoDMERB that you are cleared to schedule your physical examination:

- High school counselor recommendation(s), including your transcript
- SAT or ACT test score report
- PFE score

Once we've received and processed those items, we'll notify DoDMERB and you'll receive an email from CIVTEAM (DoDMERB's provider network) to schedule your exams. Please check all inboxes, including junk or spam, for that scheduling email.

The Academy admissions process is unique because applicants must meet medical qualifications set by the Coast Guard to both enroll as a cadet and later be commissioned as an officer. For most, the medical examination quickly results in a satisfactory conclusion - you will be found to meet medical accession standards; however, for roughly 30 percent of our applicants, the Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board (DoDMERB) will request additional medical testing be completed and/or medical history/information records be provided to conclude their review.

DoDMERB acts on behalf of the Coast Guard Academy to schedule, review, and communicate results of the medical examination and qualification process. As an applicant, you may have already been contacted via e-mail by DoDMERB (or CIVTEAM-DoDMERB's contracted provider network to schedule your medical exam. DoDMERB works through an extensive network of mostly contracted civilian/private physicians who will first administer your medical exam at no expense to you and then forward your exam results to DoDMERB for review.

Medical professionals at DoDMERB, which is located at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, CO, but is an independent command, evaluate the results of the exam by comparing the physician's report to the accession standards of each military program you are applying to, including the Coast Guard Academy. Therefore, even if you are applying to several federal service academies or ROTC college scholarships, you will only need to take the DoDMERB medical exam once.

Because accession standards differ based on service and type of program, it is possible for you to be medically qualified for one program, but not another. For instance, the sea services set the highest standard for color vision, due to the necessity of distinguishing between colored navigational lights at

sea, but other service academies may accept individuals with some color vision deficiency. You will continue to receive correspondence directly from DoDMERB until the qualification process is complete. In fact, you will most likely learn the status of your medical exam and qualification even before we do. To check the status of your medical qualification, logon to DoDMERB's secure site at https://dodmerb.tricare.osd.mil. Follow the "Login" prompt and enter your social security number and date of birth to create a personalized account.

The Academy Admissions Office does play a role in the medical qualification process. Our DoDMERB Liaison, and your advisor throughout the medical qualification process, is Shannon Castineira (Shannon.E.Castineira@uscga.edu). She also manages the medical waiver process, working closely with the Academy's Medical Administration staff and DoDMERB.

Medical Exam Outcomes

There are four potential outcomes of your initial DoDMERB medical examination:

Meets Standards: You have met accession standards. No further action is necessary.

Remedial: Additional testing or information is needed by applicant before a final decision can be made. Requires action.

Does Not Meet Standards: You have not met the accession standard in one or more areas. **Does Not Meet Standards and Remedial**: You have not met at least one accession standard and more information is needed before a final decision can be made regarding other accession standards. Requires action.

Most remedial decisions are quickly cleared after you provide the information DoDMERB requests or do follow up testing, often with a specialist; however, some result in a disqualification decision.

Disqualification decisions can understandably be very disappointing, but they are often just a bump in the road. The Academy's Superintendent, based on the recommendation of our Senior Medical Officer, has the authority to grant medical waivers for some disqualifying conditions.

Important: If you believe your disqualification has been made in error, contact DoDMERB immediately to request a "rebuttal" of the findings.

Medical Waiver Process

Applicants who have not been found medically qualified or been granted a medical waiver by May 1st may not receive an appointment. All disqualified applicants who receive a conditional appointment are automatically considered for a waiver. The Academy is responsible for the medical waiver review process; however, any additional information needed for the review will be requested through (and should be submitted directly to) DoDMERB. The status of your review will be accessible to you on the DoDMERB website.

After carefully reviewing your medical records, our Senior Medical Officer will recommend whether or not a waiver should be granted. The Superintendent will then decide whether to accept or deny that recommendation. The final decision to grant a medical waiver resides solely with the Superintendent, but he can reconsider his decision to deny a waiver if new information is presented.

The factors which are considered by our Senior Medical Officer in a waiver review include:

- The applicant's ability to participate fully and safely in the Swab Summer Training Program;
- Whether or not the applicant will meet medical standards for commissioning;
- The long term risks, if any, to the member while serving in potentially isolated areas where medical attention is not readily available; and
- The long term risks and costs to the service of employing this member.

Because the cost of medical testing not specifically requested by DoDMERB or our Senior Medical Officer is an out of pocket expense, carefully consider whether or not to pursue such exams if you are

disqualified for multiple conditions. You may want to consult with Shannon Castineira for advice or wait until a waiver decision is made concerning your disqualification.

As you can see, scheduling and completing your medical exam early is important! Remember that responding quickly to any DoDMERB requests for additional information or testing, in the event of a Remedial or Does Not Meet Standards status decision, can often result in a favorable outcome.

Important: Medically disqualifying conditions which may be waived by one service may not be waived by another. For example, the Coast Guard Academy does not grant waivers for any degree of color vision deficiency, but other service academies have in the past.

Preparing for Swearing-In Day (Day One)

When you receive a full appointment, we will provide additional information and instructions; however, this section should help you and your parents understand the steps you will have to take if you receive an appointment and choose to accept it.

Accepting Your Full Appointment

Complete the Statement of Acceptance and Obligation by May 1st. If offered a full appointment, you are required to accept or decline it by May 1st unless a later date is specified in your appointment letter. The Statement of Acceptance and Obligation will fully inform you of your obligations as a cadet.

Review the Cadet Handbook and Acceptance Package. After receiving your Statement of Acceptance and Obligation, we will mail you an acceptance package with instructions for accessing an online Cadet Handbook. This handbook should answer all your questions and provide the rest of the information you need to prepare for Day One.

If you wait until May 1st to accept, the acceptance package will arrive with little time to act on some items. Therefore, we encourage you to consider the suggestions below upon being appointed.

- Update your immunizations and make a certified copy of the record. It is in your best interest to complete as many needed vaccinations as possible before Day One. Incoming cadets will be immunized for Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) upon arrival at the Academy unless they have received two doses of the MMR vaccine or provide laboratory titers documenting proof of immunity. Vaccinations for Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, and chickenpox are also given to cadets unless proof of immunity/vaccination is submitted. Finally, Coast Guard policy also requires the Yellow Fever and Meningitis vaccines be given to all new personnel within one year of entry.
- Plan to complete dental/orthodontic care. Active orthodontics (braces) cannot be worn at the Academy, even if you were wearing them before or at your DoDMERB medical exam, without a medical waiver. Cadets who have completed treatment, but are still wearing fixed or removable retainers, do not need to make any special arrangements with a local orthodontist; repair/replacement of retainers will be handled by the Academy's Dental Clinic. If you decide (it is not required) to have your wisdom teeth removed prior to reporting to the Academy, we recommend the procedure be completed no later than June 1st to ensure you're fully healed and prepared for Swab Summer.
- Open a personal checking account. You will be required to provide your account number, for direct deposit of your cadet pay, no later than June 1st, so plan ahead to decide which bank you want to use.
- Decide how to handle scholarship funds. Many cadets receive scholarships from a wide variety of organizations. Scholarship monies may be deposited in your cadet account which you will use to cover on-campus expenses while at the Academy. Check with the scholarship donor(s) to ensure that the funds may be redirected and used in this manner as some scholarships may only be for tuition and you will have no tuition expenses if you choose to attend the Academy! Specific questions may be directed to Cadet Finance at 860-444-8265 or cadetfinance@uscga.edu.

- Obtain a passport. Cadets travel worldwide during their summer training periods and may also have opportunities to travel abroad during the academic year. You will be required to have a current U.S. passport upon reporting to the Academy. Since the application process can take six to eight weeks, we recommend that you start it upon receiving your appointment and prior to mailing your original citizenship documents to the Academy so you're ready on Day One!
- Ensure you have an original copy of your birth certificate and Social Security card. Cadets are required to provide original copies of both documents by June 1st to certify their U.S. citizenship. Duplicate copies issued directly from the record keeping authority or Social Security Administration are acceptable, but the process to obtain these copies can take several weeks so plan accordingly.

Coast Guard Academy Height/Weight Standards

Incoming cadets are expected to arrive on Day One weighing no more than the maximum allowable weight listed below by height. Applicants who weigh more than their maximum allowable weight will normally not receive an appointment, but may be tendered a conditional appointment and be required to provide documented height/weight (within accession standards) in order to receive a full appointment. All incoming cadets must weigh less than their maximum allowable weight on Day One or they will not be allowed to enroll; incoming cadets weighing less than their minimum allowable weight on Day One will be required to complete an additional medical evaluation. Always contact your family physician before starting a weight loss regimen.

Minimum-Maximum Allowable Weight based on Height (Regardless of Age or Gender)

Height	Weight	Height	Weight	Height	Weight
*58"	91-131	65"	114-165	72"	140-202
*59"	94-136	66"	117-170	73"	144-208
60"	97-141	67"	121-175	74"	148-214
61"	100-145	68"	125-180	75"	152-220
62"	104-150	69"	128-186	76"	156-225
63"	107-155	70"	132-191	77"	160-231
64"	110-160	71"	136-197	78"	164-237

^{*}These heights are outside the Coast Guard Academy's accession standards and applicants will require a waiver from Coast Guard Headquarters prior to being allowed to enroll. Waivers are normally not granted for applicants who fail to meet the height requirements.

All measurements should be made while wearing shorts, t-shirt, and socks (no shoes) only. Use an accurate scale and a non-elastic tape measure. Round all measurements to the nearest inch or the nearest pound.

- 1. Height: Stand with your feet together, flat on the floor.
- 2. Weight: Stand with your feet together, flat on the scale, arms hanging at your side.

Mrs. Castineira (her contact information is available on page 10) also manages the height/weight compliance process, so please feel free to contact her with any questions about these standards.

Frequently Used Phone Numbers

Visit the following site to connect with your regional Admission Officer and learn more about them: https://www.uscga.edu/admissions-officers/

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Notes:	