

RBS DEVICE AWARD CRITERIA

Effective 22 January 2010

1. The Auxiliary Recreational Boating Safety (RBS) Device Award recognizes extraordinary effort of Auxiliarists who consistently provide strong support to RBS programs. Its eligibility criteria require significant RBS program activity over a minimum period of two years. Eligibility criteria are as follows:
 - a. Compilation of 120 points per year for two consecutive years (for a total of 240). Hours for prescribed mission codes are reported on the Mission Activity Report (ANSC-7030) form. Vessel Safety Checks (VSC) and vessel facility inspections are reported on the Vessel Examinations Activity Report (ANSC-7038). RBS Program Visits are reported on the RBS Visitation Report (ANSC-7046).
 - b. **Public Education:** Hours recorded using any mission code 14. 1 point-per-hour as lead instructor and 0.5 points-per-hour as an assistant/aide.
 - c. **Public Affairs:** Activities promoting RBS in the following areas, 1 point-per-hour limited to actual mission hours:
 - Speech/Talks, mission code 10B;
 - Broadcast Media, mission code 10C;
 - External Print Media, mission code 10F;
 - COMREL, Mission code 10J.
 - d. **Vessel Safety Checks and Vessel Facility Inspections:** Based on the number of VSCs and/or vessel facility inspections. 1 point-per-check or inspection.
 - e. **RBS Program Visitation:** Based on the number of RBS Program Visits. 1 point-per-visit.
 - f. **Legislative Outreach:** Hours recorded as Federal/State Legislative Outreach or Government Affairs work, mission codes 65A or 65B. 1 point-per-hour.
 - g. **State RBS Outreach:** Hours recorded in meetings with a state BLA or state BLA staff, mission code 65C. 1 point-per-hour.
2. AUXDATA was modified to report on Auxiliarists who met the eligibility criteria. That report is available in the Admin Report section of AUXDATA, and it can only be run by those with DIRAUX-level access.
3. Only Directors of Auxiliary are authorized to place orders for the RBS device from ANSC for the purpose of awarding to Auxiliarists who meet the eligibility criteria as reported in AUXDATA. Auxiliarists who meet the eligibility criteria as reported in AUXDATA and are awarded the device by the Director are entitled to wear it (uniform location is same as that for insignia like the Coxswain insignia and Auxiliary Marine Safety [Trident] insignia) above the left breast pocket.