- (6) Enter into licenses, leases, contracts, memoranda of agreement, or understanding, and other agreements;
- (7) Enter into cooperative agreements and grant agreements with the Coast Guard and other Federal, State, or municipal agencies.
- (c) The national board of the Auxiliary may form a corporation under State law and Coast Guard policy to manage the Auxiliary's fiscal affairs. The national corporation may—
- (1) Hold copyrights, trademarks, and titles to Auxiliary property;
- (2) Contract with the Coast Guard and other Federal, State, and municipal agencies to procure such goods and services;
- (3) Receive grants, gifts, and other items on behalf of the Auxiliary; and
- (4) Conduct other activities as may be authorized by the Commandant.
- (d) An Auxiliary district or region may form a corporation under State law and Coast Guard policy.

### § 5.9 References.

Further guidance on Auxiliary missions and activities may be found in Coast Guard directives and publications, including the Auxiliary Manual (Commandant Instruction M16790.1(series)) and the Auxiliary Operations Policy Manual (Commandant Instruction M16798.3(series)). Those directives and publications can be found online at <a href="http://www.uscg.mil/auxiliary/publications/comdtinst/">http://www.uscg.mil/auxiliary/publications/comdtinst/</a>.

## Subpart B—Membership

### § 5.10 Eligibility for membership.

- (a) To be eligible for membership in the Auxiliary, a person must—
- (1) Be a United States citizen, a national of the United States or of its Territories and possessions, or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence; and
- (2) Meet the standards for enrollment, retention, and conduct established by the Commandant.
- (b) An applicant who is accepted for membership will be enrolled in the Auxiliary and will be issued a membership certificate and identification card. Possession of a membership certificate or identification card does not entitle a

person to any rights or privileges of the Coast Guard or the Coast Guard Reserve except as authorized by the Commandant.

#### §5.11 Honorary members.

The Commandant may grant any person honorary membership in the Auxiliary. An honorary member of the Auxiliary, solely by reason of such honorary membership, is not entitled to any of the rights, benefits, privileges, duties, or obligations of Auxiliary membership.

# §5.12 Offices, titles, designations, qualifications, and recognition.

Members of the Auxiliary will have such offices, titles, designations, qualifications, and recognition for achievements as prescribed by the Commandant.

## §5.13 Advancement.

The Commandant will prescribe the circumstances and qualifications under which members of the Auxiliary may be advanced in offices and programs.

## §5.14 Uniforms and insignia.

- (a) Members of the Auxiliary are authorized to wear uniforms, uniform insignia, and awards as prescribed by the Commandant. Auxiliary uniform insignia indicate, and are solely associated with, Auxiliary offices, titles, designations, qualifications, and achievements. Auxiliary uniform insignia do not indicate rank in any military service or government agency.
- (b) Members of the Auxiliary may purchase from the Coast Guard such uniforms, insignia, and awards as may be authorized by the Commandant.

### §5.15 [Reserved]

# § 5.16 Compensation and travel expenses.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, no member of the Auxiliary will receive any compensation for services as a member of the Auxiliary.
- (b) A member of the Auxiliary may be paid actual necessary travelling expenses, including a per diem allowance.