



INSHORE RESCUE BOAT STUDENT PROGRAM

The Canadian Coast Guard hires and trains students each summer to become members of an Inshore Rescue Boat (IRB) Crew. Students will be trained in Search and Rescue (SAR) operations by Coast Guard regional staff and following successful completion of training, will be assigned as Crew Members to IRB stations. Normally, each station is staffed with two teams of three persons, one Coxswain and two Crew Members.

WHAT YOU WILL GAIN

As a part of the Canadian Coast Guard Incident Management Service, the Inshore Rescue Boat Service is operated under the SAR Program, who hires and trains post-secondary students each summer to become members of an IRB crew.

As a selected candidate, you will gain real time experience in search and rescue operations, being trained by Coast Guard regional Program Officers, and following successful completion of training, you will be assigned as crew members to an IRB station which is normally staffed with two teams of three persons, one Coxswain in charge and two crewmembers.

WHAT YOU WILL DO

The IRB Crews are tasked with responding and providing assistance to mariners in distress or in need of assistance by a Joint Rescue Coordination Centre or a Maritime Rescue Sub-Centre.

Working on the water during the summer as part of an IRB crew comes with serious responsibility under SAR operations, which can occur at any time of the day or night, during all types of weather and sea conditions.

As a Crew Member, you will:

- Participate actively to complete diverse tasks, which may include, but are not limited to, the inspection and maintenance of the IRB station, the rescue boat and equipment, and the handling of mooring and towing line;
- Provide first aid emergency care, boating safety education and demonstrations to the boating public; and,
- Assist the Coxswain in the mission to provide adequate IRB service.





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As a Boat Coxwain, you will:

- Be responsible for diverse tasks, which may include, but are not limited to, managing the IRB Crew and the Coast Guard station, as well as providing a work plan, and ensuring harmonized relations with clients, media and stakeholders;
- Maintain good team cohesion, support crew morale; and,
- Ensure good communication and maintain liaison with Rescue Coordination Centre(s) and Coast Guard management.



WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR

All successful candidates are required to provide the following valid documents as conditions of employment:

- Canadian Driver's License (unrestricted);
- Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Certificate, Level C;
- Standard First-Aid Certificate (minimum of 16 hour course);
- Pleasure Craft Operator Card;
- Restricted Radio Operator Certificate Maritime;
- Medical Fitness of the Health Canada Occupational Health Assessment, Category III; and,
- Security clearance – Reliability Status.

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