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The Swedish Coast

Guard works to secure life, the environment and safety at sea, twenty-four hours a day, all year round, along the entire coast of Sweden.

At the same time as we keep prepared to intervene to protect life and the environment, we work with surveillance, supervision, maintaining order and law enforcement at sea.

The Coast Guard is responsible for responding to oil spills and leakages at sea. Damage from spillage of oil and other hazardous substances is to be minimised and nature is to be protected as far as possible.

We must be able to contain oil spills of up to 10,000 tonnes. In order to prevent oil from entering the water during a shipping accident, the Coast Guard also develops its capabilities in the areas of emergency towing, emergency lightering and fire fighting at sea.



The Coast Guard monitor the Gulf of Bothnia, the Baltic Sea, Skagerrak, Kattegat and Öresund, as well as lakes Mälaren, Vänern and Vättern using planes, ships and smaller boats.

Through constant preparedness for search and rescue at sea, we are working to increase people's security at sea.



The Coast Guard has three DASH-8 Q-300 planes, which are important tools in maritime surveillance. The planes are vital for the early detection of spills and for the effective coordination of oil recovery operations.

The flight operations generally carry out daily surveillance flights in order to detect spills early and thus be able to contain the spillage quickly before it reaches land.



The Coast Guard is constantly working to ensure increased safety at sea. Our operations aim to protect people from accidents and prevent or limit damage to property and the environment. The ability to act quickly and effectively is crucial for us.

In addition to maintaining preparedness for rescue operations and environmental conservation, the Coast Guard officers have the task of supervising fishing, customs, borders, maritime traffic, hunting, nature conservation and environmental crime. Within certain areas, we also have the legal authority to investigate crime.





All Coast Guard

employees form a greater whole and work to serve the community, and to meet our operational goals. Employees take on their duties with professionalism, determination and commitment.

We enjoy close cooperation with many different government agencies and organisations, both nationally and internationally. It also makes us an effective resource for society and its citizens.

Nationally & internationally

The sea is a common concern for all. Together with government agencies and organisations, we develop border protection, law enforcement and environmental protection.

Extensive international work on the marine environment is being conducted in cooperation between the Baltic Sea countries within the Helsinki Commission, between the North Sea countries within the Bonn Agreement, between the Nordic countries within the Copenhagen Agreement and between the Arctic countries through collaboration in the Arctic Council.

The Baltic Sea Region Border Control Cooperation, BSRBCC, is a partnership in the Baltic Sea region between the countries' coastal and border control authorities. Through cooperation, effective prevention of cross-border crime in the Baltic Sea area can be achieved, such as cross border crimes, illegal immigration/human smuggling and environmental crime. A number of joint operations have been carried out with successful results.

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