



Port of Olympia

Harbor Patrol

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Introducing Port of Olympia Harbor Patrol To South Sound Sailing Society

- Background, Sponsorships Organization and People
- Mission, Objectives and Strategy
- Vessel, Safety Equipment and Training
- Scope of Volunteer Engagement
- On-The Water Duty Schedules plus Call-Outs
- Who, When and How to Contact Assistance
- A Volunteer Opportunity!



Background, Sponsorship, Organization and People

- POHP is an All-Volunteer Organization ~ 32 Strong.
- Formed: 1979 by Olympia PD. Moved to Port of Olympia in 2015.
- Port of Olympia Provides: Vessel, Fuel and Maintenance Budget
- Swantown Operations Manager Provides Formal Oversight
- POHP is a Chain of Command Organization: Four Commanders, Eight Captains, Certified Helms, Certified Crew and Recruits/Trainees
- Classroom Training: First Aid/CPR/AED, Navigation, ATONS, Hypothermia, Night Operations, SAR, Radios, Radar, 72COLREGS



PORT of OLYMPIA HARBOR PATROL

Mission, Objectives and Strategy

- Security of the Port of Olympia and Adjacent Waters
- Safety of the Boating Public
- Protection of Life and Property

Education and Service – Not Law Enforcement
Positive Public Interactions

PORT of OLYMPIA HARBOR PATROL

Primary Patrol Vessel – 28'x10' Stout Aluminum 'all Weather' Boat

- 330 HP Turbo Diesel, Dual Prop I/O Drive, ~35mph Top Speed
- Full Compliment of Communications, Navigation, Radar and Safety Gear





Safety Equipment On Board HP-1

- Expanded First Aid Kit and Supplies
- De-watering pumps also used for fire suppression
- Generator: 2000w Honda
- Multiple Fire Extinguishers
- “RIB” Inflatable Rescue Boat for very shallow water
- Back Board and Power Hoist
- Hypothermia Drying/Protection gear
- Search and LED Flood Lighting; Emergency Code Lights
- Heavy Duty “Li” Battery Jumper
- Extra Life Preservers, Life Rings, Rope Throw Bags

Scope of Volunteer Engagement – In A Normal Year

- Patrol Duty Shifts: 130
- Hours Volunteered: 4,500
- Training Hours: 900
- Call-Outs/SARS: 6

On-The-Water Patrol Duty Schedules

- **Memorial Day to Labor Day – Friday, Saturday and Sunday**
 - 1200 - 1800
- **September Through May – Saturday and Sunday**
 - 1100 – 1700
- **Special Events Coverage – Scheduled 1,2 or 3 shifts**
 - Lake Fair, Harbor Days/Tugboat Races, 3rd & 4th of July incl. Fireworks
 - Wooden Boat Festival, Christmas Lighted Boat Parade
 - SSSS Regattas, Dragon Boats, FooFaraw
- **Emergency Call-Outs**
 - 24/7 Availability for SAR, Urgent USCG or Port Requests

Who, When and How to Contact Assistance

- 9-1-1 Always First Contact in a True Emergency.
- (206) 217-6001 USCG in Emergency
- VHF 16 On-the-Water Help or Assistance (USCG & HP-1)
- VHF 65 Swantown or HP-1 Monitors when on Patrol
- (360) 507-2650 Mobile Phone on HP-1, when on Patrol Duty
- (206) 217-6008 USCG Non-emergency

Port of Olympia Harbor Patrol – A Great Volunteer Opportunity

- On-the-Water Time Serving the Public
- Training and Affiliation with Good Service and Comradery
- Process to Join POHP

Port of Olympia Website: Apply to Job Posting 2x a year

Applicant Screening, Interviews, Basic Strength and Agility

Background Check and Drug Screening

Recruit Training and First Duty Assignments