

HOW TO GET A CS BONUS/SDP



COAST GUARD CULINARY PROGRAM

FAQs SHEET

Message From the CS Chiefs Mess:

We wanted to research and provide simple and current guidance on CS monetary incentives so all CSs can quickly reference. With the upcoming FY24 Workforce Planning Team (WPT) and Special Duty Pay (SDP) Panels commencing, we are prepared to request continuances (and increases if possible) to current incentives. It is obvious that everyone is a little confused, therefore a little guidance never hurt. Hopefully this helps all CSs get paid what is being offered to them and explains some of the monetary interventions available to us to increase retention and recruiting.

HOW TO??

Bonus STEP 1

READ:
[ALCOAST 403/22](#)

STEP 2

REVIEW:
[FY23 Eligibility Checklist](#)

STEP 3

CONTACT UNIT COUNSELORS:

For questions, members should contact their unit counselors (typically the Command YN/CMC/SCPO/MCPO) well in advance of their reenlistment or extension date. Additional sources of information include servicing personnel officers, work-life staff, and senior Yeoman.

STEP 4

MORE QUESTIONS:
Check these references to answers to your questions:

[Military Bonus Programs, COMDTINST M7220.2](#)

[Enlistments, Evaluations, and Advancements COMDTINST M1000.2C January 2020](#)

[DCMS FY 2023 SRB Page](#)

STEP 5

IF THE ABOVE RESOURCES DON'T WORK CONTACT (BY EMAIL):

HQS-PolicyandStandards@uscg.mil

Questions???

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Let's Get Paid!
- The CS Chiefs Mess

The 2023 Bonuses

SDP

\$225 PER MONTH

SPECIAL DUTY PAY (SDP)

- Read [ALCOAST 359/22 SUBJ: FY23 SPECIAL DUTY PAY \(SDP\)](#)
- All designated underway FSOs are authorized SDP Level SD-3 (\$225 a month) to begin in FY23 01 Oct 2022 or upon reporting, whichever is later.
- SDP commences on the date a member reports to an eligible position.
- SPOs must submit the proper Direct Access data entry to commence SDP payment as appropriate.
- Please provide a copy of 1, 2 and 3 below to your command so that you can start receiving your well deserved SDP. If you have any question, please reach out to the Culinary Services Division, CulinaryProgram@uscg.mil.
 1. [ALCOAST 359/22](#)
 2. [Correction Memo](#)
 3. [Verbiage from the Competency Dictionary](#)
- Underway Food Service Officers (FSO) must acquire the CS-17 or CS-18 competency code within one year of their reporting date. If the member does not acquire the competency code (associated with their cutter) within one year of their reporting date, SDP will be suspended until the competency code is authorized by the CS Rating Force Master Chief. [Sample Authorization Memo](#).

Bonus #1

\$30,000

SELECTIVE REENLISTMENT BONUS (SRB) ZONE A

- A \$30,000 Zone A SRB is authorized for CS members in paygrades E-4 through E-6 who reenlist for an additional six (6) years of active duty service obligation.
- Must have more than 17 months and less than 6 years of time-in-service
- Members in pay grade E-3 with a designator are authorized Zone A
- Contact your SPO and request your SRB be submitted to PPC. They will include applicable [SRB Administrative Remarks, Form CG-3307](#) and PPC's "[USCG SRB ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST](#)."

Bonus #2

\$30,000

RESERVE TO ACTIVE (SRB) ZONE B

- A \$30,000 Zone B SRB is authorized for CS members in the Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) who enlist into the Regular Coast Guard.
- Members are eligible for a bonus if they are in paygrades E4 through E5 and they reenlist for four (4) years of active service obligation.
- Contact our Junior Assignment Officer (AO) Senior Chief Nick Wright at 202-795-6595 or Nicholas.A.Wright@uscg.mil for more information.

Bonus #3

\$50,000

CULINARY DEGREE BONUS

- Authorized for new recruit CS applicants with a qualified culinary degree.
- Applicants agree to enlist and satisfactorily complete a minimum of four years of Active Duty Service Commitment (ADSC).
- A qualifying culinary degree is defined as an Associate of Arts (AA) or Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree in culinary arts from an accredited academic or culinary institution.

Bonus #4

\$45,000

CULINARY CERTIFICATE BONUS

- Authorized for new recruit CS applicants with a qualified culinary certificate.
- Applicants agree to enlist and satisfactorily complete a minimum of four years of Active Duty Service Commitment (ADSC).
- A qualifying culinary certificate is defined as a culinary arts certification from an institution accredited by the American Culinary Federation.
- The culinary certificate must be verified by the CS RFMC.

Bonus #5

\$40,000

CS APPLICANTS

- Authorized for new recruit CS applicants.

Bonus #6

\$40,000

CRITICAL SKILLS TRAINING BONUS (CSTB)

- A CSTB is authorized for current active duty enlisted personnel who agree to attend and complete Class A-Schools.
- All CSTBs incur a four (4) year Active Duty Service Commitment (ADSC) from date of Class A-School graduation or receipt of designator, whichever is later.

Bonus #7

\$15,000

CRITICAL SKILLS TRAINING BONUS (CSTB)

- Read [ALCOAST 501/22 SUBJ: UPDATE 2 – FY23 MILITARY WORKFORCE PLANNING TEAM RESULTS – CS CHANGE IN RATING ENLISTMENT BONUS](#)
- A \$15,000 GA-EB is authorized for new recruits, for their first career enlistment, who agree to obligate a four (4) year ADSC and attend a CS Class A School immediately upon graduation from boot camp.
- Members who enlist under this intervention have the option to change to a new rating after completing two years (2) in the CS rating.



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