



NAVY

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Importance of Training and Testing

THE NAVY MISSION

Title 10 of the U.S. Code requires the U.S. Navy to organize, maintain, train and equip combat-ready naval forces capable of winning wars, deterring aggression and maintaining freedom of the seas.

To accomplish this mission, the Navy:

- ◆ Establishes and executes at-sea training and testing programs
- ◆ Ensures forces and commands have access to military training and testing areas



Realistic Training is Essential

Realistic and diverse training opportunities allow Navy personnel to maintain the highest level of readiness and capability so they can react swiftly and decisively in a wide range of situations, from combat to civilian evacuations and disaster relief.

Training Activities

Training activities include:

- ◆ Operating aircraft, ships and submarines;
- ◆ Conducting weapons training;
- ◆ Conducting mine counter-measures; and
- ◆ Detecting and locating submarines.

Testing Activities

Testing activities include:

- ◆ Conducting scientific research;
- ◆ Evaluating new weapons systems, vessels and aircraft; and
- ◆ Maintaining the operational capabilities of current systems.

Conducting research, development, testing and evaluation in the sea and airspace off Hawaii and Southern California ensures and improves the quality and safety of weapons, sensors and other systems.



The U.S. Navy has trained in and over the waters of Southern California and Hawaii for decades to prepare personnel for deployment.

