





## Commander Steven A. Koch, Jr., USCG

**CDR Steven Koch** is currently assigned as the Deputy Sector Commander of Coast Guard Sector Long Island Sound serving as the Alternate Captain of the Port, Officer-in-Charge of Marine Inspection, Federal Maritime Security Coordinator, and Federal On-Scene Coordinator for Connecticut and Long Island.

CDR Steven Koch arrived to Sector Long Island Sound after serving as the Deputy Commander, International Ice Patrol in New London, CT. In this position, he served as the principle advisor to the Commanding Officer, International Ice Patrol and managed the daily operations, international deployments, and administration of the crew charged with providing daily international navigation warnings for iceberg laden North Atlantic waters.

His operational assignments have included Sector New York, where he served as the Chief, Port State Control Branch and then Assistant Chief, Port Safety and Security Division, supervising personnel conducting port state control and facility examinations, container inspections, and explosive ordnance load out operations within the Port of New York-New Jersey. Other operational tours include Sector Long Island Sound where he served on the Contingency Planning Staff and then as Chief, Incident Management Division and as a marine inspector, marine investigator, and Sector Intelligence Officer at Marine Safety Office/Sector New Orleans.

CDR Koch has also served as an instructor at the United States Coast Guard Officer Candidate School in New London, Connecticut where he was responsible for the professional and military development, and academic instruction for multiple officer commissioning programs.

A native of Quincy, Massachusetts, CDR Koch received his commission through the Direct Commission Officer program in 2002. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Marine Safety and Environmental Protection from Massachusetts Maritime Academy and a Masters in Security Management from American Military University. CDR Koch's personal awards include four Coast Guard Commendation Medals with "O" device, two Coast Guard Achievement Medals with "O" device, the Commandant's Letter of Commendation, and multiple service and unit awards. He has earned the permanent Marine Safety insignia and was selected as the 2011 Leadership and Development Center Instructor of the Year. CDR Koch is married to the former Isabelle Mary Leigus of Durham, Connecticut and currently resides in Madison, Connecticut. They have twin four year old boys, Carter and Evan.