Basic CBR Defense

Length  8 hours (1 day)

Scope
The Military Sealift Command’s (MSC) Basic CBR Defense course is for all seafarers. The purpose of this course is to inform seafarers of the hazards associated with the three pillars comprising weapons of mass destruction (chemical, biological, and radiological), how best to protect themselves and their ship from these hazards, and their own and shared responsibilities in a CBR environment.

Objectives
A trainee successfully completing this course will understand the triad of CBR survivability measures, equipment, detection, and decontamination that must be taken to protect the ship and the crew. A trainee will have a basic understanding of the shipboard CBR equipment, procedures, and the duties required to protect themselves and the ship when operating in a CBR environment. The primary focus of this course is the knowledge of personal protection equipment with an emphasis on survivability of the individual and the ship, and to impart confidence in the ability to survive and work in a contaminated environment for the rapid restoration of the mission.

Entry Standards
This course is open to all seafarers and prospective seafarers. All students shall meet the physical, educational, and linguistic standards and requirements set forth by the U.S. Coast Guard. For seafarers taking this course the wearing of facial hair, including beards, long sideburns, mutton chops, long mustaches, etc., that comes between the sealing periphery of a respirator face piece and face, or facial hair that could interfere with the MCU 2/P gas mask valve function IS PROHIBITED.

Teaching Facility
STAR Center, Dania Beach, Florida