

## Shipboard Damage Control

**Length** 16 hours (2 days)

### **Scope**

Damage control must be considered as an offensive as well as a defensive function. Damage control deals with all types of damage such as fire, collision, grounding, and explosions. Damage control operations may be necessary not only at sea but in port as well, and may involve the use of personnel from other organizations, facilities, or ships.

The control of damage depends upon the ability and initiative of personnel to take prompt corrective action using the material that is readily available. Having a thorough knowledge of the ship and the scope of damage control will enable personnel to determine the correct action to take.

### **Objective**

The most important phase of damage control takes place before damage happens. Only through training, exercises, tests, and inspections can the ship's personnel obtain the capability and knowledge of how to act when action is needed.

### **Entry standards**

### **Teaching Facility**

STAR Center, Dania Beach, Florida