



U.S. Coast Guard Towing Vessel National Center of Expertise



Lieutenant Commander Nick Olmstead assumed the duties of Commanding Officer for the Towing Vessel National Center of Expertise on 15 April 2025 after serving as the National Technical Advisor from July 2023.

Prior to this assignment, he served as the Marine Safety Detachment Supervisor in Cincinnati, OH. Other assignments include the Chief of Inspections at Sector Key West, FL; Marine Inspector, Marine Safety Unit Lake Charles, LA; Equipment Specialist for the District Seventeen Response Advisory Team in Juneau, AK; Federal On-Scene Coordinator Representative in Sector Puget Sound, WA; Facility/Container Inspector at Sector Miami, FL; and Deck force aboard the USCGC SENECA in Boston, MA.

LCDR Olmstead holds a bachelor's degree in business administration and a master's degree in environmental policy and management.

LCDR Olmstead's awards include: 03 Coast Guard Commendation Medals, 3 Coast Guard Achievement Medals, 04 Good Conduct Medals, 2 Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medals, Humanitarian Service Medal, Commandant's Letter of Commendation Ribbon, Sea Service Ribbon, 06 Meritorious Team Commendations, the Coast Guard Basic Training Honor Graduate, Marine Science Technician "A" School Honor Graduate, and the Lieutenant Commander William B Turek Award for Marine Inspections.