

USCG, Vessel Assist, Police, And NOAA Weather Phone Numbers

USCG

A marine VHF radio (Channel 16) is the preferred way to contact the USCG for emergencies. Other vessels in your vicinity can hear and help.

USCG Phone numbers:

Emergency - 415 556 2103

Marine Safety Office 24-hour Command Center: 415-399-3547.

Station Golden Gate 415 331 8247

Group San Francisco 415 339 3451

Command Center 510 437-3700

Vessel Assist

On a '07 Boat US card the number is 800-391-4869

The 24/7 National Dispatch Center on 800/399-1921

Call on VHF radio on channel 16 and ask for VESSEL ASSIST

Call your local Coast Guard and ask for a relay to VESSEL ASSIST

911 (From a cell phone)

If your first cell phone 911 call is not answered right away, hang up and CALL THE LOCAL NON-EMERGENCY POLICE NUMBER INSTEAD.

- Alameda 510-337-8340
- Oakland 510-777-3333
- Emeryville 510-596-3700
- Berkeley 510-981-5900
- Richmond 510-233-1214
- Vallejo 707-648-5262
- Benicia 707-745-3412
- San Francisco 415-553-0123
- Sausalito 415-289-4170
- Belvedere 415-435-2611
- Tiburon 415-789-2801

CALLING 911 FROM A CELL PHONE can be a long wait.

These calls are typically answered at a central point by the Highway Patrol and it is usually overwhelmed. A 20-minute wait is normal. This is gradually changing as cities are slowly accepting locally originated cell phone emergency calls but it is not universal yet. Land line 911 calls are fine. They are answered locally and the system knows where you are.

NOAA U.S. Weather Service For a current recorded Bay Area forecast

1-831-656-1725