

Coast Guard helicopter crashes in Sitka, Alaska



U.S. Coast Guard MH-60T Jayhawk (Alaska National Guard photo by Alejandro Peña)

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JUNEAU, Alaska – A Coast Guard MH-60 Jayhawk helicopter aircrew from Coast Guard Air Station Sitka crashed during a training flight with four people aboard near Harbor Mountain in Sitka, Alaska, Monday.

Rescue crews from Sitka Fire and Rescue arrived on scene at approximately 11:00 a.m. and transported all four crew members to Mt. Edgecumbe Medical Center.

No deaths have been reported.

Watch standers at the Arctic District command center received

the report of the crash at approximately 10:07 a.m.

The cause of the crash is currently under investigation.

UPDATE: Coast Guard responds to Coast Guard helicopter crash in Sitka, Alaska

JUNEAU, Alaska – The four Coast Guard crew members involved in a [helicopter crash](#) in Sitka, Alaska, Monday, are reported safe with non-serious injuries.

Watch standers at the Arctic District command center received the initial report of the crash through the activation of the aircrew's personal locator beacon at approximately 10:07 a.m.

Sitka Fire and Rescue arrived on scene at approximately 11:00 a.m. and transported the crew members to Mt. Edgecumbe Medical Center.

“We are incredibly relieved our crew members survived with only minor injuries,” said Rear Adm. Bob Little, commander of the Coast Guard's Arctic District. “We are grateful for the swift response by the Sitka Fire and Rescue who assisted us during this critical time.”

Coast Guard Air Station Kodiak is repositioning a helicopter and crews to Coast Guard Air Station Sitka to augment and maintain operational readiness in the Southeast Alaska region.

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