The Coast Guard now combines Navy functions with the duties it maintained in peacetime under the Treasury Department. Law enforcement, fishery protection, lifesaving, and surf patrol have been discontinued, while iceberg patrol and the tending of lighthouses and other navigation aids have taken on even greater significance with wartime conditions. To these regular peacetime duties have been added an intensive anti-submarine patrol, convoy escort work, and the manning of landing craft and naval vessels.

Expanding its forces, the Coast Guard is now building long-range, well-armed Icebreakers as well as acquiring fishing boats and yachts for patrol. The Coast Guard Reserve is another phase of this expansion; using small private yachts for coastal and harbor patrol.

Because of this large conversion and reserve program, it is possible to illustrate only typical boats among the smaller cutter groups. They are not indicative of the many types manned by Coast Guard personnel, which may be found in other sections of ONI 54-R.
Design adapted from Navy PG (ERIE Class). Peacetime duties and appearance were similar.
TAMPA Class—240'
Identification and Characteristics Section
Division of Naval Intelligence

Completed in 1921. Similar to "LAKE" type cutters transferred to Great Britain: (LULWORTH Class).
"A" (ESCANABA) Class—165'

Designed to serve as miniature gunboats, this class is the heavier 165 cutter type, were used as Icebreakers on the Great Lakes.
One unit serves as Presidential yacht POTOMAC. Formerly both one and two stackers, now all appear as shown.
ACTIVE Class—125'  

Formerly based on Great Lakes and all U.S. outposts. Now serve on convoy and patrol duty as the Coast Guard equivalent to the Navy SC.

CRAWFORD ▲ Two units showing prewar rig ▲ ACTIVE ▼ YEATON-8/6/4 ▲ FAUNCE-5/11/43
Based on the larger Storis (180') design and built specially for icebreaking. Have been improved in two successive classes, the IRONWOOD and IRIS type.
MISCELLANEOUS CUTTERS

△ MAYFLOWER—Ex-Presidental yacht now used primarily for training.

▽ GRESHAM and UNALGA △ 1912 cutters modernized for patrol and escort duty.

△ COBB—Ex-passenger vessel converted to base helicopters in convoy work.
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NORTHLAND ▲ Now used for Arctic patrol duty—7/11/42

▲ NORTH STAR ▼ MARITA—Ex-British PG Class, now used for training—4/26/43

▲ MENEMSHA Class—1918 "LAKE" type—7/22/43
MISCELLANEOUS SMALL CUTTERS Converted for use in coastal patrol and mine-sweeping duties.

MENHADEN FISHERMEN ▼ Rowe

Whale-Killer Boats ▲ Aberdeen 3/10/43 ▼ Caddo

Trawlers ▼ Natsek-6/25/42 Navy Sisterships serve as AM YP
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SS—Owned and requisitioned by the Coast Guard. ▼ MANITOU is typical—3/30/43.

MISCELLANEOUS TENDERS

LIGHTSHIPS—now employed as gate and net tenders. ▼ No. 83

LIGHTHOUSE TENDERS—Built for the purpose or converted from various types, of which these are typical examples ▼ HICKORY 1/20/43.
SUB BUSTERS

Coastal patrol craft, comparable in appearance to the Navy SC's. The 83' type is an improved counterpart of the 75' class, built during the last war. Due to their low silhouette and slight wake, these craft are often mistaken for submarines.