

The Coast Guard at D-Day



Left: Sketch of a GI found on the reverse of a combat art drawing by H.B. Vestal. US Coast Guard Heritage Asset

Right: Loading men and materiel in advance of the invasion somewhere in England.



At least 97 cutters and Coast Guard-manned Navy vessels participated in Operation Neptune, the amphibious support of D-day, on 6 June 1944. That included 60 cutters, three APAs, 11 LSTs, & 24 LCIs.



(64 m)	14600 yds
(61 m)	25000 yds
(67 m)	32370 yds
(94 m)	40000 yds
(100 m)	40000 yds

BREVIACTIONS	
ID POIN	+ RADAR WATCHER
WITZER	⊗ RADAR WATCHING
TR	⊗ CASEMATE GUN
DOUBT	⊗ TURRET



Nautical chart used at the invasion of Normandy on 6 June 1944. The chart was taken by survivors from the LST-94 which was destroyed during the landing. US Coast Guard Heritage Asset

Landing Craft

LCI(L)	Landing Craft, Infantry, Large	LCH	Landing Craft Headquarters
LST	Landing Ship, Tank	LSI(L)	Landing Ship, Infantry, Large
LCVP	Landing Craft Vehicle Personnel	LCM	Landing Craft, Mechanized
LCA	Landing Craft, Assault		

