

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. AA-2130

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Comfort Station

and/or common Bldg. No. 7

2. Location

street & number U.S. Coast Guard Yard not for publicationcity, town Curtis Bay vicinity of congressional district 1

state Maryland county Anne Arundel

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name U.S. Coast Guard

street & number 2401 Hawkins Point Road telephone no.: 410-636-7871

city, town Baltimore state and zip code: MD 21226-1797

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Anne Arundel County Courthouse liber GW-47

street & number folio 224

city, town Annapolis state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title U.S. Coast Guard Yard National Register Nomination

year 1981 federal state county local

depository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town 100 Community Place, Crownsville state MD

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Building No. 7 is located near Arundel Cove, directly north of Building No. 12. It is a small, one-story, flat-roofed, rectangular building, measuring approximately 33 x 25 feet (10 x 8 meters). The building has brick walls with 5:1 American Bond brick, and sits on a concrete foundation. Concrete is also used as coping and as decorative banding running directly above the doors and windows, conveying a horizontal emphasis to the building.

Two doors are present, one in each end of the front (east) elevation. These heavy metal doors are not original to the building. Bays of sliding, single-pane windows are present on the north and south, and centrally placed between the doors on the east facades. The windows are not original to the building.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance---Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	Builder/Architect	Unknown
Check: Applicable Criteria: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D		
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G		
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local		

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

This property is associated with the development of the Coast Guard Yard at Curtis Bay. The Yard was first established on this site in 1899 as a boat repair and construction facility for the Revenue Cutter Service, the forerunner of the present-day Coast Guard. At that time, the facility was known as the Revenue Cutter Service Depot, and generally served vessels stationed in the mid-Atlantic area.

The establishment of the Depot was related to the emphasis on Naval preparedness that took place following the Spanish American war. Prior to the establishment of the Depot, vessel repair and construction were handled by private concerns. Starting as a collection of a few frame buildings, the Depot, after 1940 known as the Yard, expanded as its mission and capabilities increased. The Yard was at its productive peak and greatest size during World War II, with most surviving historic structures dating to that time.

This building was constructed in 1943, it is very similar in design and detail as Yard buildings designed by the Public Buildings Branch of the Treasury Department. It was built as toilet facilities and now houses janitorial services.

This building retains sufficient historic integrity and is considered a contributing element to the proposed National Register Historic District.

Building #7 is a contributing element of the proposed U.S. Coast Guard Yard Historic District. It fits within the Historic District's period of significance, relates to the documented significance, and possesses physical integrity.

Criterion A Historical Association

This building was erected as part of the World War II-era rebuild, expansion, and modernization of the U.S. Coast Guard Yard.

Criterion C - Design Significance

Building #7 strongly resembles a number of Yard buildings designed by the Public Buildings Branch of the U.S. Treasury Department. Its Moderne styling is typical of buildings erected at the Yard and other industrial facilities during this period, and is a good representative of the Yard's smaller, support buildings.

Integrity

Despite alteration to doors and windows, this building retains adequate integrity of location, design, setting,

materials, workmanship, feeling, and association.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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- Facilities and Engineering Records, U.S. Coast Guard Yard at Curtis Bay
- United States Coast Guard Yard: A History of Service to the Fleet, U.S. Coast Guard Yard, Curtis Bay, MD 1995
- National Archives, Record Group 26

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property .018 acres (800 square feet)

Quadrangle name Curtis Bay, MD

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References Do NOT complete UTM references

A

Zone	Easting	Northing

B

Zone	Easting	Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

The proposed boundaries coincide with the building footprint of this resource. It is a utilitarian structure within the larger Curtis Bay District. No surrounding lands are significantly associated with the resource to constitute its setting.

all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Sherri Marsh, Architectural Historian		
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organization	Greenhorne & O'Mara, Inc.	date	May 7, 1996
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street & number	9001 Edmonston Road	telephone	301-982-2800
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city or town	Greenbelt	state	MD	20770
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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust
DHCP/DHCD
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
410-514-7600

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Western Shore

Chronological/Development Periods: Industrial/Urban Dominance (A.D. 1870-1930) and Modern Period (A.D. 1930-present)

Historic Period Themes: Architecture, Economic, Military

Resource Type:

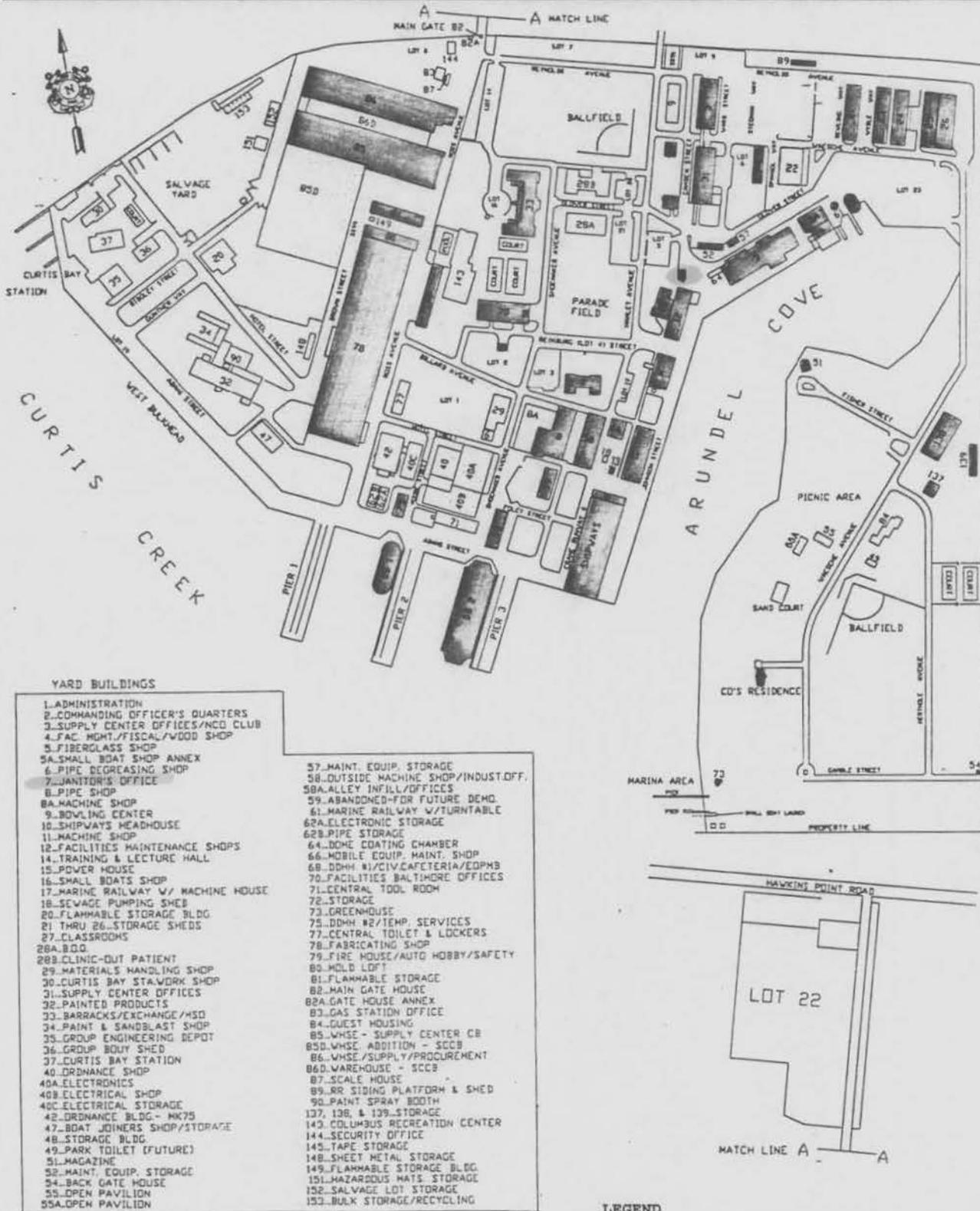
Category: District

Historic Environment: Suburban

Historic Functions and Uses: Defense/Coast Guard Facility/Shipyard

Known Design Source: None

U.S. Coast Guard Yard Curtis Bay



- YARD BUILDINGS**
- 1. ADMINISTRATION
 - 2. COMMANDING OFFICER'S QUARTERS
 - 3. SUPPLY CENTER OFFICES/NCO CLUB
 - 4. FAC. MGMT./FISCAL/WOOD SHOP
 - 5. FIBERGLASS SHOP
 - 5A. SMALL BOAT SHOP ANNEX
 - 6. PIPE DEGREASING SHOP
 - 7. JANITOR'S OFFICE
 - 8. PIPE SHOP
 - 8A. MACHINE SHOP
 - 9. BOILING CENTER
 - 10. SHIPWAYS HEADHOUSE
 - 11. MACHINE SHOP
 - 12. FACILITIES MAINTENANCE SHOPS
 - 14. TRAINING & LECTURE HALL
 - 15. POWER HOUSE
 - 16. SMALL BOATS SHOP
 - 17. MARINE RAILWAY W/ MACHINE HOUSE
 - 18. SEWAGE PUMPING SHED
 - 20. FLAMMABLE STORAGE BLDG.
 - 21 THRU 26. STORAGE SHEDS
 - 27. CLASSROOMS
 - 28A. BLDG.
 - 28B. CLINIC-OUT PATIENT
 - 29. MATERIALS HANDLING SHOP
 - 30. CURTIS BAY STA. WORK SHOP
 - 31. SUPPLY CENTER OFFICES
 - 32. PAINTED PRODUCTS
 - 33. BARRACKS/EXCHANGE/MSD
 - 34. PAINT & SANDBLAST SHOP
 - 35. GROUP ENGINEERING DEPOT
 - 36. GROUP BOUY SHED
 - 37. CURTIS BAY STATION
 - 40. ORDNANCE SHOP
 - 40A. ELECTRONICS
 - 40B. ELECTRICAL SHOP
 - 40C. ELECTRICAL STORAGE
 - 42. ORDNANCE BLDG. - MK75
 - 47. BOAT JOINERS SHOP/STORAGE
 - 48. STORAGE BLDG.
 - 49. PARK TOILET (FUTURE)
 - 51. MAGAZINE
 - 52. MAINT. EQUIP. STORAGE
 - 54. BACK GATE HOUSE
 - 55. OPEN PAVILION
 - 55A. OPEN PAVILION
 - 57. MAINT. EQUIP. STORAGE
 - 58. OUTSIDE MACHINE SHOP/INDUST. OFF.
 - 58A. ALLEY INFILL/OFFICES
 - 59. ABANDONED FOR FUTURE DEMO.
 - 61. MARINE RAILWAY W/TURNTABLE
 - 62A. ELECTRONIC STORAGE
 - 62B. PIPE STORAGE
 - 64. DOME COATING CHAMBER
 - 66. MOBILE EQUIP. MAINT. SHOP
 - 68. DDHM #1/CIV. CAFETERIA/EDPHS
 - 70. FACILITIES BALTIMORE OFFICES
 - 71. CENTRAL TOOL ROOM
 - 72. STORAGE
 - 73. GREENHOUSE
 - 75. DDHM #2/TEMP SERVICES
 - 77. CENTRAL TOILET & LOCKERS
 - 78. FABRICATING SHOP
 - 79. FIRE HOUSE/AUTO HOBBY/SAFETY
 - 80. HOLD LOFT
 - 81. FLAMMABLE STORAGE
 - 82. MAIN GATE HOUSE
 - 82A. GATE HOUSE ANNEX
 - 83. GAS STATION OFFICE
 - 84. GUEST HOUSING
 - 85. WHSE - SUPPLY CENTER CB
 - 85B. WHSE. ADDITION - SCCB
 - 86. WHSE/SUPPLY/PROCUREMENT
 - 86B. WAREHOUSE - SCCB
 - 87. SCALE HOUSE
 - 89. RR SIDING PLATFORM & SHED
 - 90. PAINT SPRAY BOOTH
 - 137, 138, & 139. STORAGE
 - 140. COLUMBUS RECREATION CENTER
 - 144. SECURITY OFFICE
 - 145. TAPE STORAGE
 - 148. SHEET METAL STORAGE
 - 149. FLAMMABLE STORAGE BLDG.
 - 151. HAZARDOUS MATS STORAGE
 - 152. SALVAGE LOT STORAGE
 - 153. BULK STORAGE/RECYCLING

SOURCE: U.S. Coast Guard Yard, Facilities Department.

LEGEND
 ■ PRE-1946 RESOURCES EXAMINED IN THIS REPORT

U.S. Coast Guard Yard Site Plan, April 1996

Figure 2



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COMFORT STATION

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EAST ELEVATION

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