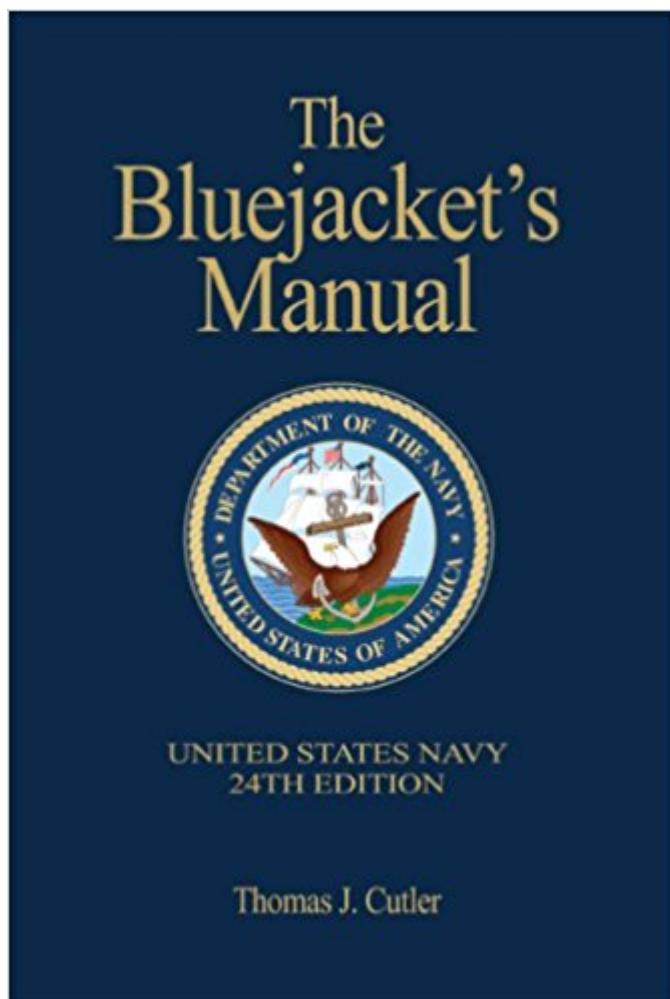


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From the days of oars and coal-fired engines to the computerized era of the twenty-first century, The Bluejacket's Manual has been an essential part of the American Sailor's sea bag for more than one hundred years, serving as an introduction to the Navy for new recruits and as a reference book for Sailors of all ranks. Written by a Sailor whose decades of naval service included sea duty in patrol craft, destroyers, and aircraft carriers as both an officer and a "white hat," this newest edition has been overhauled to reflect the current state of the ever-evolving U.S. Navy, adding such things as camouflage uniforms, new ratings, and the Navy Professional Reading Program. Primarily intended to serve Bluejackets, this book will also be welcomed by potential recruits, Navy buffs, and a growing number of Bluejacket's Manual collectors.

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In 1940 the United States Navy was an antiquated collection of well-built ships and slow but durable aircraft. These two features were to save countless lives in battle with an at-the-time superior foe ie; the Imperial Japanese Navy. Never short on guts, the average 1940 Sailor was not prepared for W.W.II but how quickly things change. Five short years later we were the most powerful fleet EVER. While the 1940 edition of the "BJM" differs greatly from the one I was issued in 1994, the core values of "Honor, Commitment & Courage" have never changed. Pride isn't specifically listed but it's there nonetheless. The "BJM" is a fascinating book for all the practical sailing knowledge it carries. It should be on every yacht owner's bookshelf. Tying knots, heaving lines, rules of the road (sea), etc. Plus it's just plain interesting to read.

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