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### Coast Guard cadets help save lives



ATLANTIC OCEAN - Coast Guard Academy cadets aboard the Coast Guard Cutter Eagle deployed a data buoy into the Flemish Pass, between the Grand Banks of Newfoundland and the Flemish Cap, Sunday.

The data buoy will be tracked by satellite to collect information for the International Ice Patrol on the speed and direction of the Labrador Current, which will then be used to notify mariners of ice conditions off the Grand Banks, a major thoroughfare for merchant vessels traveling to and from the United States and Europe.

"By releasing this buoy we're assisting the International Ice Patrol in tracking the sea ice and understanding what the currents in the region do," said Lt. Jeff Janaro, the Operations Officer aboard the Eagle. "It will tell where the cold waters bringing the ice are coming from and what velocity those currents are traveling."

The IIP monitors the shipping channels in the northern Atlantic Ocean and has been operated by the Coast Guard since its creation in 1914 after the sinking of the Titanic.

"This was a great opportunity to introduce the cadets to another mission of the Coast Guard," said Janaro. "It's a great way to parallel what they are learning in the class room by giving them some hands on experience and at the same time assisting another Coast Guard unit."

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