Nassau's Deck Department performs what is potentially dangerous work, and does it efficiently and safely.

Deck Department is responsible for running the forward, aft and flightdeck fuel rigs. During 25 fuelings at sea (FAS), Nassau received more than three million gallons of jet fuel and more than 85 million gallons of fuel to run the ship. Deck also supervises replenishments at sea (RAS). More than 1,300 pallets of cargo were transferred to Nassau during 24 RAS's.

Deck personnel are also responsible for raising and lowering the anchor. Forty-five injury-free anchorages were completed during the deployment.

With Nassau training extensively in amphibious warfare, Deck's boatswain's mates supervised the onload and offload of vehicles in the well deck and assisted the landing craft of ACU-2 in embarking and debarking during 1,132 hours of wet well operations.

Deck supplies personnel to stand boatswain's mate of the watch, helmsman and lee helmsman on the bridge.

Deck is responsible for maintaining the ship's 118 lifeboats and nearly 1,000 CO2 lifejackets.

Deck's boatswain's mates supervise all linehandling working parties and are responsible for maintaining all ship's boats.