



# BOATMASTER



A Comprehensive course for boaties with some existing knowledge and experience. This course applies to a wide range of vessels including yachts, launches and powerboats.

**Aim:** To gain detailed boating knowledge.

**Duration:** Classroom 30 tutorial hours + 1.5 hour written assessment + separate (up to) 40 min oral. Online self directed study completed over an 8 week duration.

**Qualification:** New Zealand Boatmaster Certificate

**Prerequisites:** Day Skipper recommended

**i** This course is a component of the New Zealand Certificate in Domestic Maritime Operations (Restricted Limits) (Level 4)

## Modules:

### 1. Equipment

- Boat Gear
- Safety
- Communication

### 2. Emergencies

- Accidents
- Distress Signals
- Distress Procedures
- Search & Rescue
- Lifesaving & Fire Fighting

### 3. Navigation

- Compass
- Chartwork & Publications
- Tides & Weather
- Buoys & Beacons
- Lights & Day Shapes

### 4. Boat Handling

- Stability
- Anchors & Anchoring
- Steerage & Maneuvering
- Berthing, Launching, & Retrieving
- Rough Seas & Surf

### 5. Rules & Regulations

- Collision Prevention Rules
- Water Recreation Rules
- Harbour Bylaws
- Skipper Responsibility

### 6. Ropes

- Rigging, bends and hitches



## Boatmaster Classroom Course

Learn from an experienced tutor at one of our many education centres throughout the country. It is highly recommended that you have some extra resources to enable you to complete the course - the Boatmaster Upgrade Pack includes a chart plotter, Rules of the Road at Sea, and navigation flash cards and is available for purchase through the website or the office.

## **Boatmaster Online Self Directed Study Course**

This is an online course which is self-directed from home. You will have 8 weeks from the date of enrolment to complete the course including an oral exam. After the 8-week duration, your enrolment ends and you will be withdrawn from the course. A chartwork plotter is recommended to complete the exam. If you would prefer a hardcopy of the textbooks or need to purchase a chartwork plotter, these are available through Boat Books or via the [Resources](#) page on our website.

## **Assessment**

The assessment for Boatmaster is both written (1.5 hours) and separate oral (up to 40 mins). The separate, one-on-one oral assessment will be organised with an assessor. Instructions on this will be provided during the course. For Home Study students both the written and the oral will need to be completed with a local assessor. Instructions on how to book the assessment are included in the course notes provided.