

# Coastguard Boating Education Course Prospectus



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## RYA/MCA Yachtmaster Offshore



Coastguard Boating Education administers Certificates of Competence and examines candidates on behalf of the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) and Maritime & Coastguard Agency (MCA). Examiners are independent assessors and cannot be involved in the training of candidates.

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**Examination:** Practical. Candidates will be set tasks to demonstrate their ability as a skipper of an offshore cruising yacht, and may also be asked questions on any part of the syllabus for all courses except Yachtmaster Ocean.

**Cost:** \$555.

**Duration:** 8 - 10 hours for one candidate. 10-18 for two.

**Prerequisites:** Experience equivalent to 50 days (2,500 miles) including at least 5 passages over 60 miles, 2 overnight and 2 as skipper, a GMDSS Short Range Certificate (SRC) or higher grade marine radio certificate and current First Aid Certificate.

**Vessel:** Candidates need to provide a boat for practical examinations. Alternatively this can be arranged through an RYA Training Centre.

### Commercial Endorsements

RYA/MCA Certificates of Competence with a commercial endorsement can be used for vessels up to 200GT and as an entry into Megayacht qualifications.

**Cost:** \$84.00

**Renewal:** Up to 5 years.

### 1. STCW Commercial Endorsement

Available as an endorsement to Yachtmaster Offshore and Yachtmaster Ocean Certificates of Competence.

Candidates will need to supply the following paperwork:

- STCW Personal Survival Techniques: STCW A-V1/1 - 1 or RYA Sea Survival.
- STCW Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities: STCW A-V1/1 - 1.
- STCW Elementary First Aid: STCW A-V1/1 - 2.
- STCW Fire Fighting and Fire Prevention: STCW A-V1/1 - 2.
- A Seafarers Medical Certificate ENG 1; ML 5; or a Maritime New Zealand Medical Certificate.
- RYA Professional Practices and Responsibilities Certificate.

Note: All applicants for a commercial endorsement must hold a GMDSS Short Range Certificate (SRC) or a higher grade marine radio certificate.

## 2. RYA/MCA Commercial Endorsement

Available as an endorsement to RYA/MCA Certificates of Competence; Yachtmaster Coastal; Yachtmaster Offshore; Yachtmaster Ocean; and Advanced Powerboat. Candidates will need to supply the following paperwork:

- A Seafarers Medical Certificate ENG 1; ML 5; or a Maritime New Zealand medical Certificate.
- A Sea Survival Certificate; STCW; Coastguard Boating Education Advanced Sea Survival Certificate; or an RYA Sea Survival Certificate.
- RYA Professional Practices and Responsibilities Certificate.

Note: All participants for a commercial endorsement must hold a GMDSS Short Range Certificate (SRC) or higher grade marine radio certificate.

### MCA Guidance Notes Regarding RYA certificates of competence and commercial endorsements

MCA MGN 280 covers the certification required to operate commercially operated pleasure and other small vessels (both sail & power) up to 24m. The MCA utilise seven categories/areas of operation. Manning (skipper certification required) is listed in Table 1 (P.124), with full detail in Annex 3 (P.118 – 126).

MCA MSN 1802 (M) pertains to larger commercially operated yachts/pleasure vessels (sail & power) over 24m, up to 3,000gt.

Annex A (P.19) details the manning scale for sail & motor yachts. Yachtmaster Offshore with a commercial endorsement with a Yachtmaster Coastal (previously termed 'Coastal Skipper') as Mate allows the holder to act as Master of a sail or power yacht up to 200gt, up to 150nm from a safe haven.

#### MCA Links:

[http://www.mcga.gov.uk/c4mca/mgn\\_280-2.pdf](http://www.mcga.gov.uk/c4mca/mgn_280-2.pdf)

[http://www.mcga.gov.uk/c4mca/a7\\_1802\\_final-2.pdf](http://www.mcga.gov.uk/c4mca/a7_1802_final-2.pdf)

#### Seafarers Medical Certificate

To obtain an ENG 1 or an ML 5 contact:

Parnell Medical Centre

1st Floor

82B Gladstone Road

Auckland 1052

Phone: (09) 377 4427

Fax: (09) 377 4429

Email: [reception@parnellmedical.co.nz](mailto:reception@parnellmedical.co.nz)

#### Maritime New Zealand Medical Certificate

To obtain a Maritime New Zealand Medical

Certificate go to [www.maritimenz.govt.nz](http://www.maritimenz.govt.nz)

#### Contact:

0800 40 80 90

[info@boatingeducation.org.nz](mailto:info@boatingeducation.org.nz)

[www.boatingeducation.org.nz](http://www.boatingeducation.org.nz)

165 Westhaven Drive, Auckland



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