

CHIEF MATE CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCY STCW 95 11/2 (non VQ route)

What will I need to join the course?

1. Not less than 18 months sea service as a watch-keeping officer whilst holding a Certificate of Competency (COC) not lower than an OOW (Deck) Unlimited (STCW 95 Officer of the Watch).
2. Discharge book entries verifying sea service.
3. Watch-keeping certificates to support all watch-keeping sea service.

It is your responsibility to ensure that the entry requirements for the course and entry to the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) examinations are met prior to attending the course. Please see MGN 69 for full details. These are available and can be downloaded from the MCA's website: www.mcga.gov.uk

Please note that for any sea time confirmation or short course acceptability, you must contact the MCA directly. In the case of overseas students this should be done **before** arrival in the UK. You can email queries to deck@mcga.gov.uk

What will I be doing?

You will be studying:

- HND in Nautical Science (Part 2) which comprises of the following units

Passage Planning
Bridge Management
Further Meteorology
Further Ship Stability
Structures and Maintenance
Cargo and Port Operations
Shipmasters Business
Shipboard Management
Marine Engineering Systems
Emergency Planning

- NAEST "M" (Management level)
- Medical Care Aboard Ship

What do I need to bring to College?

You will need parallel rulers (at least 40cm), dividers, compasses, protractor, pencils, erasers, pens and a nonprogrammable scientific calculator (CASIO type is recommended).

How long will the course last and what patterns of attendance are available?

This is a full time, 32 week course, spread over three terms at College. The NAEST (M) and the Medical Care On board Ship are both one week courses respectively.

How will my progress on the course be assessed?

SQA Exam Papers in Navigation and Stability & Operations
Edexcel (formerly BTEC) college set assessments
MCA Signals Exam (only required when that awarded for OOW Certificate of Competency has expired. Validity is 3 years)
MCA Oral Exam

What will I achieve?

HND in Nautical Science, providing Part 1 of the HND is complete
Chief Mate (Unlimited) Certificate of Competency (STCW Reg II/2)
NAEST (Management Level)
Medical Care Aboard Ship

To support your application to the MCA for a Chief Mate COC you will have to submit the following:

- The previous (lower) COC- OOW
- Discharge book and watchkeeping certificates
- HND Certificate – issued by Edexcel
- SQA safety paper results – issued by SQA
- MCA Oral examination result entered on Notice of Eligibility by examiner
- NAEST (Management) Certificate
- Medical Care Aboard Ship Certificate
- GMDSS Certificate (This must be approved by the MCA)
- Medical fitness Certificate (ENG1 or equivalent). The certificate covers the eyesight requirements, providing it is within 2 years of the date of issue.
- MCA Sight Test Certificate if the ENG1 certificate is more than 2 years old.
- Signals Certificate

When can I come to College?

The Chief Mate courses commence in May and September.

What does it cost?

See attached sheet for fees.

For information on funding and loans, please contact

The Marine Society; Tel 020 7261 9535 or visit their website at: www.marine-society.org

British candidates are advised to apply to their Local Education Authority for a Further Education Discretionary Award, which may be available, to help with some of the costs.

Important Information

If you are not a British National you may need to obtain a Certificate of Medical Fitness and a UK Border Agency (UKBA) Tier 4 General Student Visa to gain entry to the UK. Lowestoft College will issue you with a Confirmation of Acceptance of Studies or CAS (Sponsorship Letter) to enable you to apply for a General Student visa prior to commencing your course.

The College is non-residential. Accommodation is mainly with local landlords (cost per week approximately £70 - £90)

NOTE: to be eligible for a Medical Care Aboard Ship course you must be the holder of a Medical First Aid Onboard Ship certificate. MFAS courses are available at the college at a cost of £385.00.

Currently the MCA approve of OOW Certificates of Competency issued in India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka; but if you hold a Bangladesh OOW Certificate of Competency, you will have to pass the UK OOW SQA Navigation exam (cost as of September 2010, £193) before being eligible for the Chief Mate COC.

What should I do now?

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All programmes run subject to satisfactory enrolment. This information is issued without prejudice to the right of the College to make such modifications to the matters dealt with as the College considers necessary without prior notice.

**MARITIME AND OFFSHORE CENTRE
 CHIEF MATE STCW 95 II/2**
Course fees (International Students)
Courses Commence in: MAY and SEPTEMBER

Description	Fees £6300.00 (GBP)
Course Fee includes:	
HND in Nautical Science (Pt 2) <i>(A deposit of £1200.00 is required to reserve your place. This is non-refundable).</i>	*
HELM Management	*
Medical Care Aboard Ship	*
NAEST "M" (New syllabus)	*
SQA Registration Fee	*
SQA Written Navigation & Stability Safety Papers Examination Fee <i>(1st attempt only – resit fee £165.00)</i>	*
**Application for examination (MSF 4274) includes Oral Exam	£201.00
Signal Examination fee <i>(if valid certificate not held)</i>	£60.00
Additional Courses Fees	
Specialist Oil Tanker <i>(Reduced Price)</i>	POA
Shipboard Safety Officer <i>(Reduced Price)</i>	POA
Dynamic Positioning – Induction or Simulator <i>(Reduced Price)</i>	POA
Eyesight Test <i>(If required)</i> <i>Approximate</i>	£22.50
MCA Medical <i>(If required)</i> <i>Approximate</i>	£80.00

**Indicates fees are included in course fee.*

*** Indicates fees are paid directly to the MCA (Maritime and Coastguard Agency).*

Medical/Eyesight test fees are payable directly to the examining doctor.

Fees are correct at the time of issue but are subject to change without notice.

NOTE: to be eligible for a Medical Care Aboard Ship course, you must be the holder of a valid Medical First Aid Aboard Ship certificate (*Less than 5 years old*).

Examining Bodies are likely to revise their fees by a small amount during summer.

If UK financial arrangements have to be organised, this should be done prior to the commencement of the course.

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