



STCW

STANDARDS OF TRAINING, COMPETENCY OF WATCHSTANDERS,
2010 AS AMENDED

Who Needs STCW Endorsements?

- ▶ If you have a:
 - ▶ Near Coastal License
 - ▶ Ocean License
- ▶ AND sail on vessels to which STCW applies
- ▶ law 46 CFR 11.301 (h), (i), and (j)

Who does NOT need STCW Endorsements?

For those vessel listed in 11.301(h),.

- ▶ 1) Masters, mates, or engineers endorsed for service on small passenger vessels that are subject to subchapter T or K of this chapter and that operate beyond the boundary line.
- ▶ (2) Masters, mates, or engineers endorsed for service on seagoing vessels of less than 200 GRT, other than passenger vessels subject to subchapter H of this chapter.

The vessels concerned are not subject to further obligation under STCW because of their special operating conditions as small vessels engaged in domestic, near-coastal voyages.

Also Exempt from STCW

(i) Mariners serving on, and owners or operators of any of the following vessels, do not need to hold an STCW endorsement, because they are exempt from application of STCW:

(1) Fishing vessels as defined in 46 U.S.C. 2101(11)(a).

(2) Fishing vessels used as fish-tender vessels as defined in 46 U.S.C. 2101(11)(c).

(3) Barges as defined in 46 U.S.C. 102, ...

(4) Vessels operating exclusively on the Great Lakes

or

(j) Mariners serving on, and owners or operators of uninspected passenger vessels as defined in 46 U.S.C. 2101(42)(B), do not need to hold an STCW endorsement ...because of their special operating conditions as small vessels engaged in domestic, near-coastal voyages.

Entitled to Hold an STCW Endorsement

- ▶ *h) Notwithstanding §11.901 of this part, each mariner found qualified to hold any of the following national officer endorsements will also be entitled to hold an STCW endorsement corresponding to the service or other limitations of the license or officer endorsements on the MMC.*

- ▶ (1) Masters, mates, or engineers endorsed for service on small passenger vessels that are subject to subchapter T or K of this chapter **and that operate beyond the boundary line.**
- ▶ (2) Masters, mates, or engineers endorsed for service on seagoing vessels of less than 200 GRT, **other than passenger vessels subject to subchapter H of this chapter.**

STCW Endorsements

▶ *Basic Training:*

▶ *BT includes:*

- ▶ Personal Survival Techniques;
- ▶ Fire prevention and Fire Fighting;
- ▶ Elementary First Aid; and
- ▶ Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities.

▶ *Security Training:*

▶ *Three levels of Security Endorsements*

- ▶ Security Awareness (SA)
- ▶ Vessel Personnel with Designated Security Duties (VPDSD)
- ▶ Vessel Security Officer (VSO)

National and STCW Endorsements

▶ National Endorsements

- ▶ Ordinary Seaman, Wiper Steward (FH)
- ▶ Able Seaman
 - ▶ Lifeboatman
- ▶ Master 200 GRT or Less - Inland, Great Lakes
- ▶ Master 200 GRT or Less, Near Coastal and Oceans

▶ STCW Endorsement

- ▶ Able Seafarer – Deck
 - ▶ Personal Survival Craft / FRB
 - ▶ Ratings Forming Part of a Navigational Watch
- ▶ *No Inland Equivalency*
- ▶ *Master Less than 500 GT Oceans – Management Level 500 GT or Less, Near Coastal*

National Endorsements

STCW Endorsements

- ▶ National – Master 200 GRT
Oceans / Near Coastal

- ▶ Mate 200 GRT Ocean /
Near Coastal

- ▶ Master – Less than 500 GT
Oceans – Management
Level

- ▶ Master – Less than 500 GT
Near Coastal

- ▶ OICNW – Less than 500 GT
Near Coastal –
Operational Level

Renewal – STCW Master 500 GT or Less Near Coastal

- ▶ **Master** Less than 500GT NC to be valid **AFTER 1/1/2017:**

- ▶ **Leadership & Managerial Skills**
Course 5-Day Course
- ▶ **ECDIS**, to be valid on vessels w/
ECDIS
- ▶ **Basic Training**
- ▶ **Advanced Fire Fighting**

- ▶ *Assessments are NOT required for renewal*

- ▶ **OICNW (MATE)** Less than 500 GT Near Coastal to be valid **AFTER 1/1/2017:**

- ▶ Leadership & Teamworking Skills 1-day Course
- ▶ **ECDIS**, to be valid on vessels w/
ECDIS
- ▶ **Basic Training**
- ▶ **Advanced Fire Fighting**

- ▶ *Assessments are NOT required for renewal*

Refresher and/or Re-Validation Training

▶ Refresher Training

- ▶ **Personal Survival Techniques** (STCW A-VI/1-1);
- ▶ **Fire Prevention & Fire Fighting** (STCW A-VI/1-2);
- ▶ **Elementary First Aid** (STCW A-VI/1-3); and
- ▶ **Personal Safety & Social Responsibility** (STCW A-VI/1-4).

▶ Revalidation Training

- ▶ **Basic Training and**
- ▶ **Advanced Fire Fighting**
 - ▶ **Will include assessments of both:**
 - ▶ **Personal Survival Techniques &**
 - ▶ **Fire Prevention & Fire Fighting**

Medical Certificates – CG-719K Form

- ▶ **Medical Certificate – Physicals are required:**
 - ▶ **STCW** - Every Two Years
 - ▶ **National** - Every five years
 - ▶ **Pilots** - Annually

MMC and Renewals (Five Year)

- ▶ Physical
- ▶ Drug Screening or Program Participant Letter
- ▶ Proof of Recency
- ▶ Training Certificates or Course Completion Certificate in lieu of Testing
- ▶ One Time Training
 - ▶ **ECDIS**, if on vessel so equipped
 - ▶ **ARPA**, if on vessel so equipped
 - ▶ **GMDSS**, if on vessel so equipped
 - ▶ **Leadership & Teamworking Skills** or
 - ▶ **Leadership & Managerial Skills**

TWIC - Yes or No?

▶ There is an exemption to the requirements regarding holding a TWIC prior to applying for a Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC).

▶ The exemption can be found in Coast Guard Policy Letter 11-15 and excludes certain mariners from the statutory requirements to obtain and hold a TWIC in order to receive a MMC.

▶ [USCG Policy Letter 11-15](#)

Documents of Continuity

▶ National Licenses Only

- ▶ Put your License on hold
- ▶ Can be re-activated later
 - ▶ By following license renewal procedures
 - ▶ Physical/ drug screening
 - ▶ RADAR renewal
 - ▶ Rules of the Road Exam
 - ▶ Deck General

▶ NOT for STCW Endorsements

- ▶ To Renew STCW
 - ▶ Re-take BT
 - ▶ RE-take ADV. Firefighting

National - 100 GRT Master

May Qualify with additional training for STCW
Endorsements of:

- ▶ 11.315 - chief mate of vessels of 500 GT or more and less than 3,000 GT (management level).
- ▶ 11.317 - master of vessels of less than 500 GT limited to near-coastal waters (management level).

National – 100 GRT Master, continued

- ▶ 11.319- Officer in Charge of a Navigational Watch (OICNW) of vessels of less than 500 GT (operational level).
- ▶ 11.321- Officer in charge of a navigational watch (OICNW) of vessels of less than 500 GT limited to near-coastal waters (operational level).

MMC -

▶ **Renewal –**

a credential may be renewed at any time during its validity and for one year and after expiration.

- ▶ IF more than one-year expired applicants must demonstrate continued professional knowledge by completing a course or by passing the complete examination.

▶ **Re-Instatement –**

An applicant must apply as an original MMC if the MMC sought is the first credential issued to the applicant after their previous credential has expired beyond its grace period (one year from date of MMC) and they do NOT hold a Document of Continuity.

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