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Application for Commercial Endorsement

NOTES FOR APPLICANTS

If you take up to 12 paying customers to sea on Vessels under 200 gross tonnes you are probably required by law to hold an RYA Certificate of Competence with a Commercial Endorsement.

If you are taking more than 12 paying passengers or/and a vessel greater than 200 gross tonnes you may require other qualifications administered by the Maritime Coastguard Agency (MCA). For further details please visit the MCA's website.

Full details of the requirements for the boats and manning can be found in the following:

- Harmonised Code of Practice for Small Commercial Vessels (available to view on MCA website)

The commercial Endorsement is valid for 5 years however, you must ensure that your medical fitness certificate (ML5 or ENG1) is always in date. After 5 years you will receive a reminder to renew your endorsement and we will require a new medical fitness certificate and evidence of active service declared.

RYA Instructors and Examiners who are re-tested practically to re-validate do not have to record their active service.

1. APPLICANT'S DETAILS

Title Mr/Mrs/Miss/Other _____ Date of Birth _____ RYA Membership Number _____

Name First _____ Surname _____

Address _____

Postcode _____ Country _____

Phone Day _____ Evening _____ Mobile _____

Email _____ RYA Membership Number _____

2. CERTIFICATE TO BE COMMERCIALY ENDORSED

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yachtmaster Ocean Certificate of Competence | Power/Sail* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yachtmaster Offshore Certificate of Competence | Power/Sail* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yachtmaster Coastal Certificate of Competence (Previously known as Coastal Skipper Certificate of Competence) | Power/Sail* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Powerboat Certificate of Competence (From 1st January 2005) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Powerboat Course Completion Certificate | (only available on course completion certificates issued before 1st January 2005) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Powerboat Level 2 | Coastal/Inland* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Day Skipper Practical & Theory | Power/Sail* |
- (*Delete as necessary)

All certificates and licenses of competency are to be appropriate to type of vessel in which they are used.

3. ENCLOSURES CHECKLIST - Please ensure you submit the following with this application form.

- The original Certificate you require endorsing
- A copy of your Personal Survival Techniques STCW 78 or RYA Basic Sea Survival Certificate
- The original most recent ML5 Medical Report Form & Certificate or ENG1. A photocopy of your ENG1 Medical will be accepted.
- The endorsement fee of £33 made payable to RYA or complete Credit/Debit card details overleaf.
- A passport sized photograph
- Professional Practices and Responsibilities certificate (from 2 April 2012 onwards). Note: If you hold an MCA Deck Officer's Certificate of Competence as Officer of the Watch, Master 200, Master 500 or above you do not need to take the PPR course. Please send a copy of your MCA certificate with your application for a commercial endorsement. See www.rya.org.uk/coursestraining/professional for further details
- RYA First Aid Certificate or another acceptable First Aid Certificate, as detailed on the RYA website. Only required if you are applying for a commercial endorsement on a Day Skipper, Powerboat Level 2 or Advanced Powerboat Course Completion Certificate
- RYA SRC certificate or another acceptable GMDSS Marine Radio Operators certificate

Please note: If you are submitting an ML5 Medical Report form and certificate with your application and the Doctor has entered any "yes" ticks in sections 1-9 or comments in section 9, your Medical will need to be referred to the MCA and they will not accept any Medicals which are more than 1 year old. Please contact the RYA Certification Department for further details on 023 8060 4146.

Please note: Your commercial endorsement cannot be Fast Tracked if your ML5 Medical requires referral.

4. STCW 78 ENDORSEMENT

The STCW 78 endorsement is for holders of the RYA Yachtmaster Offshore and Yachtmaster Ocean Certificates of Competence working under non-UK maritime authorities. It requires you to take 4 additional courses:

Personal Survival Techniques (STCW A-V1/1-1)

Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities (STCW A-V1/1-4)

Elementary First Aid (STCW A-V1/1-3)

Fire Fighting and Fire Prevention (STCW A-V1/1-2)

The following wording will appear on your certificate:

The certificate holder has completed training under the STCW code A- VI/1 Para 2.1. This certificate is valid for use as Master of yachts of up to 200gt on commercially and privately registered yachts until (date of expiry).

The STCW convention requires Personal Survival Techniques and Fire Fighting and Fire Prevention to be refreshed every five years. The MCA code of practice requires first aid training to be refreshed every five years.

Please note that if you wish to add the STCW 78 endorsement at the point of applying for your commercial endorsement you will not be required to pay an additional fee. However, should you wish to add the STCW 78 endorsement whilst holding a current commercial endorsement then a fee of £15.00 will be required.

The Maritime and Coastguard Agency publish a number of Codes of Practice covering the commercial operation of vessels less than 24m in length and large yachts. Please refer to the relevant code of practice to check your qualification is appropriate to the particular type of operation you plan to undertake

PLEASE NOTE: The ML5 can only be issued by a UK GMC Registered Doctor. The ENG1 Medical is only issued by an MCA Approved Doctor. If you require an ENG1 Medical please contact the MCA on 023 8032 9100 or visit their website.

Please allow 21 days for the commercial endorsement to be issued

FAST TRACK SERVICE: For a small additional charge we can guarantee a two working day turnaround from the date we receive the application. If you require this service, please clearly mark your application with FAST TRACK and include either £30 for non RYA members, £20 for RYA members, £15 for RYA instructor members or £10 for RYA gold members. This fee should be paid by cheque, payable to the RYA or by completing the payment form on this application. **Please note:** If your ML5 Medical requires referral then we are unable to fast track your application.

If you require your documentation to be returned by Special Delivery you will need to enclose the relevant pre-paid envelope which can be obtained from your local Post Office. Please ensure the envelope is the correct size to enable us to return all your supporting documents along with your A5 certificate and leather wallet.

Payment by Credit/Debit Card

Cardholders Name _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Daytime Telephone No. _____ Email Address _____

Please debit my **Visa/Mastercard/SwitchCard/Maestro** (delete as applicable)

Amount £ _____ Payment for _____

Date of Order _____ RYA Membership No. _____

Card Number

Card Start Date Card Expiry Date Switch Issue No. Card Security No.

Cardholder's Signature _____