

Marine Information Bulletin

Commercial licence – Coxswain (restricted to sailing ships)

Limits of licence

The holder of this licence can act as master of a:

- Commercial Sailing ship less than 12 metres in length within 15 nautical miles from the coast or the boundaries of designated sheltered water (smooth and partially smooth water) limits.

The holder of this licence can act as engineer in:

- Commercial Sailing ships with main engines less than 250 kW, operating within 15 nautical miles from the coast or the boundaries of designated sheltered water (smooth and partially smooth water) limits.

Application for licence

Candidates must personally lodge or make appropriate arrangements to lodge their marine licence application on form F3103 with supporting documents at a Maritime Safety Queensland regional office.

Evidence of the prerequisites listed below must accompany the marine licence application. If supplying copies of original documents they must be suitably certified by a Justice of the Peace or a Commissioner of Declarations.

Prerequisites

To be eligible for an oral examination by Maritime Safety Queensland candidates must:

- Be 18 years of age (evidence of identity required).
- Provide a valid and current Yachting Australia (YA) - Royal Yachting Association (RYA), Yachtmaster Coastal certificate or a higher qualification.
- Provide a letter of recommendation from YA/RYA or Yachting Queensland (previously QYA) certifying that the candidate possesses the necessary qualifications.
- Provide a current certificate of medical fitness (issued within the last two years), including eyesight test as defined in Medical Fitness Requirements (USL Schedule 1).

Note: Candidates should undertake eyesight and colour vision testing before commencing training and the issue of an initial commercial licence. Maritime Safety Queensland may issue a licence restricted to daylight hours if the minimum standard for colour vision is not met.

- Provide two recent colour passport photographs (taken within the last 12 months).
- Pay the prescribed fees.

- Provide evidence of valid and current certificate or a statement of attainment attesting to the successful completion of the following.

ESS training program	OR	Equivalent
TDMMF1107B – survive at sea in the event of vessel abandonment.		YA – RYA Safety and Sea Survival Course (SSSC)
TDMMF5407A – observe safety and emergency procedures on a coastal vessel.		
TDMMF5507A – fight and extinguish fires onboard a coastal vessel.		

Note – The units of competency for Elements of Shipboard Safety (ESS) are perpetual. The YA/RYA SSSC Certificate is required to be revalidated every five years.

TDM07 units	OR	Equivalent
TDMMR3007B – operate and carry out basic service checks on small vessel marine propulsion systems.		YA - RYA Diesel Engine Course and YA Powerboat Handling or RYA Level 2 Powerboat Course
TDMMF1007B – provide elementary first aid.		A first aid certificate
TDMME1007A – transmit and receive information by marine VHF radio or telephone. OR TDMME5007B – transmit and receive information by marine radio or telephone.		A marine radio operators certificate issued by Australian Communication Authority.

And TDM07 unit

TDMMF320 7C	Apply domestic regulations and industry practises when operating a small coastal vessel
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Qualifying sea service

Candidates **do not** require any sea service to obtain this licence.

Oral examination

Candidates are required to undertake an oral examination, independent of the RTO, conducted by Maritime Safety Queensland before being issued a licence.

An appointment for an oral examination can only be made

after all of the requirements for the licence have been satisfied.

Candidates who successfully complete the oral examination may request a temporary authority to allow them to operate immediately.

Information

Information on RTO's locations and Marine Information Bulletins covering various topics relating to marine licensing can be obtained from Maritime Safety Queensland's website at www.msq.qld.gov.au and from the following Maritime Safety Queensland regional offices.

Airlie Beach	(07) 4946 2200
Bundaberg	(07) 4131 8500
Cairns	(07) 4052 7400
Gladstone	(07) 4973 1200
Hervey Bay	(07) 4194 9600
Mackay	(07) 4944 3700
Mooloolaba	(07) 5477 8425
Pinkenba	(07) 3860 3500
Southport	(07) 5539 7300
Townsville	(07) 4726 3400

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