

## Marine Information Bulletin

### Commercial licence – Coxswain (restricted to the waters of Torres Strait and Torres Strait Island boats)

#### Limits

The holder of this certificate can act as a master on Torres Strait Island boats (TIB) less than six metres in length within the waters of the Torres Strait, Queensland.

Limits for a master holding this certificate are restricted to outboard powered ships only.

#### Application

Candidates must lodge their marine licence application form F3130 personally at a Maritime Safety Queensland (MSQ) regional office. At this time candidates may arrange for an appointment for a sea service assessment or oral examination.

Proof of compliance with the prerequisites list below must accompany the application. Candidates must supply photocopies of these documents which have been verified by a Justice of the Peace, a Commissioner of Declarations or a Shipping Inspector.

#### Prerequisites

To be eligible for oral examination candidates must:

- be 18 years of age (evidence of identity required)
- provide two recent colour passport photographs (taken within the last year)
- provide evidence of the satisfactory completion of a Torres Strait BoatSafe course
- provide statements of attainment attesting to the satisfactory completion (within the last five years) of all the specified Coxswain units of competency from the Transport and Distribution (Maritime Operations) training package as detailed below
- provide evidence of demonstration of practical elements of training listed below under training requirements
- medical – self disclosure statement for medical fitness assessment
- pay the prescribed fees.

#### Note: 1

Minimum sea service required for this certificate may be demonstrated by being the holder of a recreational marine driver licence.

#### Note: 2

Candidates requesting this certificate are limited to outboard powered ships only and are not required to complete the coxswain engineering training (units of competency).

#### Oral examination

- Oral examinations must be undertaken at a Maritime Safety Queensland office.
- Candidates who successfully complete oral examinations may request a temporary authority to allow them to operate immediately.

#### Training requirements

- Torres Straits BoatSafe licence **plus:**
- TDM07 Marine Training Package Certificate 1 Units of Competency listed below:
  - TDMMF1107B – Survive at sea in the event of vessel abandonment
  - TDMMF5707A – Assist in safe operations and emergency procedures on a coastal vessel
  - TDMMF5407A – Observe safety and emergency procedures on a coastal vessel
  - TDMMF5507A – Fight and extinguish fires on board a coastal vessel
  - TDMMF1007B – Provide elementary first aid (or equivalent first aid certificate)
  - TDMME507B – Transmit and receive information by marine radio or telephone (VHF)
  - SFISHIP207B – Operate and maintain outboard motors.
- **In addition** candidates shall be able to practically demonstrate their ability in regard to the following topics:
  - Anchors and their use.
  - Towing and being towed for small boats.
  - Navigation skills:
    - Read latitude and longitude and depth from a chart.
    - Identify navigation hazards on a chart.
    - Use GPS to determine position, set up waypoints and tracks.
    - Use of visible landmarks, transits and so on to confirm position.
  - Passage planning including:
    - fuel requirements
    - trip sheets/notification of voyage.
  - Legislation:
    - TIB requirements
    - safety requirements
    - pollution prevention and response.

## Medical

Candidates shall provide a current Medical Self Disclosure Statement or USL Medical Certificate

## Information

For further information about this Marine Information Bulletin, email [msqmail@msq.qld.gov.au](mailto:msqmail@msq.qld.gov.au) or contact MSQ in Cairns on (07) 4052 7400, or MSQ Thursday Island on (07) 4069 1351.

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Bundaberg	(07) 4131 8500
Cairns	(07) 4052 7400
Gladstone	(07) 4973 1200
Hervey Bay	(07) 4194 9600
Mackay	(07) 4944 3700
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Pinkenba	(07) 3860 3500
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