



## **CHIEF MATE/MASTER STCW REG II/2 UNLIMITED (non VQ route) CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCY**

### **What will I need to join the course?**

To hold a valid OOW unlimited II/1 Certificate of Competency

To have completed 12 months' watchkeeping service while holding an OOW Unlimited II/1 Certificate of Competency

### **You will also have to hold/obtain**

- Discharge book entries verifying sea service
- 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 MCA examinations are met prior to attending the course. Please see MGN 69 and MSN 1856 (M) for full details. These are available and can be downloaded from the MCA's website: [www.mcga.gov.uk](http://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](mailto:deck@mcga.gov.uk)

### **Included in your course and fees:**

- Higher National Diploma (HND) in Nautical Studies
- Navigation Aids and Equipment Simulator Training (NAEST) Management
- Medical Care Aboard Ship
- SQA Safety Paper Examinations in Navigation and Stability & Structure (1<sup>st</sup> attempt)
- HELM Management

### **What will I be doing?**

You will be studying:

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

- Marine Passage Planning
- Management of Bridge Operations
- Applied Marine Meteorology



- Ship Stability: Theory and Practical Application
- Marine Vessels: Structures and Maintenance
- Management of Vessel Operations
- Shipmasters Business
- Shipboard Management
- Nautical Science Graded Unit 2
- Nautical Science Graded Unit 3
- Marine Engineering Systems
- Information Technology: Applications Software 1
- Navigation Aids and Equipment Simulator Training (NAEST) Management
  - Medical Care Aboard Ship

### **What do I need to bring to College?**

You will need a calculator, parallel rulers and basic drawing instruments.

### **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 Medical Care Aboard Ship are both one week courses respectively.

**NOTE:** to be eligible for a Medical Care Aboard Ship course you must be the holder of a Medical First Aid Aboard Ship certificate which is also available at East Coast College.

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 before being eligible for the Chief Mate COC.

### **How will my progress on the course be assessed?**

SQA Safety Exams in Navigation and Stability & Operations

SQA HNC Exams

MCA Signals Exam

MCA Oral Exam

### **What will I achieve?**



Having successfully passed all elements required, you may apply to the MCA for your Chief Mate (Unlimited) Certificate of Competency. This will entitle you to sail as a Chief Mate on any sized vessel trading worldwide.

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
- HNC Certificate from previous studies
- SQA safety paper results – issued by SQA
- MCA Oral examination result entered on Notice of Eligibility by MCA 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?***

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](http://www.marine-society.org)

### **Important Information**

If you are not a British National you may require a Home Office Tier 4 General Student Visa to gain entry to the UK. East Coast 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 £100)

**What should I do now?**

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