



**THE MASTERS AND MATES (COASTAL, FISHING, AND PLEASURE BOATS) EXAMINATION REGULATIONS 1986**

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ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 9th day of June 1986

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to sections 19 and 504 of the Shipping and Seamen Act 1952, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the recommendation of the Minister of Transport made after consultation by the Minister with organisations which appeared to the Minister to be representative of owners and seafarers, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

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## REGULATIONS

**1. Title and commencement**—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Masters and Mates (Coastal, Fishing, and Pleasure Boats) Examination Regulations 1986.

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of August 1986.

**2. Interpretation**—(1) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,—

“The Act” means the Shipping and Seamen Act 1952:

“Ancillary certificate” means a first aid qualification or a certificate of a type referred to in subclause (2) of this regulation:

“Approved” means approved by the Secretary for the relevant purpose:

“Candidate” means a person who applies to take an examination, or part of an examination, for any certificate of a kind or grade specified in regulation 3 of these regulations:

“Certificate” means a certificate or licence issued by the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of the Act, being a certificate or licence of any of the kinds or grades specified in regulation 3 of these regulations; and includes any qualification recognised as equivalent to any such certificate or licence under the Shipping (Recognition of Certificates of Competency) Order 1975\*:

“Commercial vessel” means—

(a) Any fishing boat of over 6 metres register length; and

(b) Any ship that is required (or would, if it were a New Zealand ship, be required) to have a certificate of survey under the Act:

“First aid qualification” means a qualification in first aid acceptable under regulation 12 (1) of these regulations:

“Launch” means a power-driven vessel of 20 metres register length or less:

“Prescribed form” means a form approved by the Minister under section 502 of the Act:

“Principal Examiner” means the person who is appointed by the Secretary under section 19 (1) of the Act as the examiner for the purposes of granting certificates in accordance with these regulations; and, if more than one such examiner is appointed, the term means the one who is in overall charge of the conduct of the examinations and includes that person’s deputy:

“Qualifying service” means sea service or other acceptable service performed and assessed in accordance with regulations 24 and 25 of these regulations.

(2) References in these regulations to—

(a) A restricted radiotelephone operator’s certificate; or

(b) A restricted radar certificate; or

(c) A ship firefighting certificate,—

are references to certificates of the particular specified type approved by the Secretary or otherwise prescribed in regulations made under the Act.

## PART I

### CERTIFICATES

**3. Kinds and grades of certificate**—(1) Certificates of competency shall be granted under these regulations for each of the following kinds and grades:

(a) Skipper of deep-sea fishing boat:

(b) Mate of deep-sea fishing boat:

(c) New Zealand coastal master:

(d) Commercial launchmaster:

(e) Master of pleasure yacht (ocean):

(f) Master of pleasure yacht (coastal):

(g) Boatmaster.

(2) Local launchman’s licences shall also be granted under these regulations.

**4. Replacement of lost or damaged certificates**—(1) Any person whose certificate has been lost or damaged may apply to a Superintendent in the prescribed form for a certified copy of the certificate.

(2) Any such application shall be accompanied by the prescribed fee (if any).

**5. Cancellation or endorsement of certificates**—A candidate shall submit any existing certificate held by the candidate that may be required by the Secretary for cancellation or endorsement.

## PART II

## GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

**6. Applications for examination**—(1) Every application for an examination, or part of an examination, under these regulations shall be made—

(a) On the prescribed form, obtainable from any mercantile marine office; and

(b) Either—

(i) In person to any Superintendent at least 21 days before the first day of examination; or

(ii) By post addressed to the Examiner of Masters and Mates, Marine Division, Ministry of Transport, Private Bag, Wellington (or Private Bag, Auckland) so as to arrive at least 14 days before the first day of examination.

(2) Every completed application form shall show clearly which examination or part of an examination the candidate wishes to sit.

(3) Every completed application form shall be accompanied by the appropriate prescribed fee (if any), and, subject to subclause (5) of this regulation, by the following documents:

(a) Proof of age and identity as required by regulation 8 of these regulations:

(b) Testimonials as required by regulation 10 of these regulations:

(c) Where appropriate—

(i) Proof of qualifying service in accordance with regulation 25 of these regulations:

(ii) Proof of satisfactory attendance at an approved training course:

(iii) Any ancillary certificate required to be held by the candidate:

(iv) A sight test certificate issued in accordance with the provisions of the First Schedule to these regulations:

(v) Evidence of medical fitness:

(vi) Any existing certificate that may be required under regulation 5 of these regulations to be surrendered:

(vii) In the case of a candidate who has previously sat the same examination, a results form in respect of each such attempt:

(viii) Proof of any other qualification required by these regulations for the relevant certificate.

(4) Where a candidate is uncertain whether his or her service complies with the requirements of these regulations, the candidate may submit a completed application form, with the documents required by subclause (3) of this regulation, to the Principal Examiner for consideration.

(5) Any ancillary certificate required by these regulations may be submitted after examination, but no certificate shall be granted to the candidate until all required ancillary certificates have been provided within such time as may be prescribed in these regulations or otherwise as specified by the Principal Examiner.

**7. Fees**—(1) The fee payable for an examination, or part of an examination, shall be as prescribed in the Shipping (Fees) Regulations 1984\*.

(2) If a candidate is found to be ineligible for the certificate for which the candidate has applied, or is unable to attend an examination and notifies the examiner before the examination, the fee shall be returned to the candidate.

(3) Where an eyesight test is an examination requirement,—

(a) No fee for that test shall be payable if the candidate has paid the fee for the appropriate examination; and

(b) If the candidate fails the test, the fee for the examination shall be refunded to the candidate, less a deduction equivalent to the fee prescribed for an eyesight test.

**8. Proof of age and identity**—Every candidate shall, before examination, produce a birth certificate, passport, or other satisfactory proof of age and identity.

**9. Knowledge of English**—Every candidate shall satisfy the examiner that the candidate is able to converse, read, and write in the English language sufficiently well to perform the duties required of a holder of the relevant certificate.

**10. Testimonials**—(1) Every candidate, other than a candidate for a certificate as boatmaster or as master of pleasure yacht (coastal), shall, before examination, produce—

(a) A satisfactory testimonial as to the candidate's experience, conduct, and ability on board ship during the period of at least 12 months' service preceding the examination (or the whole of the period of service, where that period is less than 12 months); and

(b) A satisfactory testimonial as to the candidate's character during the period of at least 12 months preceding the examination.

(2) In the case of a candidate who—

(a) Has been a suspended person within the meaning of section 40A (2) of the Act; or

(b) Has failed to join his or her ship after signing the agreement, or has deserted ship,—

the testimonials shall relate to a 12-month period subsequent to any period of suspension under section 40A (2) of the Act or detention or imprisonment in respect of the matters referred to in paragraph (b) of this subclause.

(3) If the authenticity of any testimonial is in doubt, the candidate shall not be accepted for examination until the Principal Examiner is satisfied of the authenticity of the testimonial.

**11. Disabilities**—(1) Where the Principal Examiner considers that a candidate may be incapable of performing adequately the duties of a holder of the grade or kind of certificate sought by the candidate, the Principal Examiner may require the candidate to undergo examination by a registered medical practitioner nominated by the Principal Examiner on

the recommendation of the Principal Medical Officer of the Ministry of Transport.

(2) The registered medical practitioner shall report to the Principal Examiner on the fitness of the candidate to perform adequately the appropriate duties, and, where the report is unfavourable, the Principal Examiner may refuse to allow the candidate to sit the examination.

(3) If the examination has commenced before the disability is discovered or before the registered medical practitioner has reported to the Principal Examiner, the candidate shall be permitted to complete the examination, but, where the report is unfavourable, the matter shall be referred to the Secretary who shall decide whether or not the candidate may be permitted to hold a certificate.

**12. First aid qualification**—(1) For the purposes of these regulations, any of the following shall be accepted as first aid qualifications:

- (a) An adult standard certificate, not more than 3 years old, of—
  - (i) The New Zealand Red Cross Society; or
  - (ii) The Saint John Ambulance Association; or
  - (iii) Any other similar body approved by the Principal Examiner:
- (b) In the case of a candidate for a certificate as commercial launchmaster or a local launchman's licence a letter, not more than 3 years old, from a registered medical practitioner stating that the candidate has passed an examination in first aid indicating a standard of knowledge similar to that required to obtain a qualification specified in paragraph (a) of this subclause:
- (c) The candidate is a registered medical practitioner, a registered dentist, or a state registered nurse.

(2) Where a candidate passes the examination for a certificate before obtaining a first aid qualification, the examination result shall be cancelled if the candidate does not produce a first aid qualification within 12 months after the date of the examination.

### PART III

#### PREREQUISITES FOR EXAMINATION

**13. Skipper of deep-sea fishing boat**—(1) A candidate shall qualify as follows:

- (a) *Age*: A candidate shall be not less than 20 years of age:
- (b) *Qualifying service*: A candidate shall have completed either—
  - (i) Not less than 12 months' qualifying sea service as watchkeeping mate of a deep-sea fishing boat while holding a certificate as mate of deep-sea fishing boat; or
  - (ii) Not less than 12 months' qualifying sea service as watchkeeper in a commercial vessel other than a fishing boat while holding a certificate of a grade not lower than second mate of foreign-going ship, provided that the candidate has also performed not less than 12 months' qualifying service at sea or within restricted limits in a fishing boat of more than 10 metres register length:

- (c) *Approved training*: A candidate shall have attended and completed an approved training course:
  - (d) *Ancillary certificates and navigation workbook*: A candidate shall produce a satisfactorily completed navigation workbook, as prescribed in the Second Schedule to these regulations, and shall hold the following ancillary certificates:
    - (i) A first aid qualification:
    - (ii) A restricted radiotelephone operator's certificate:
    - (iii) A restricted radar certificate:
    - (iv) A ship firefighting certificate:
  - (e) *Eyesight and fitness requirements*: A candidate—
    - (i) Shall pass the standard eyesight test and the test in colour vision prescribed in the First Schedule to these regulations; and
    - (ii) Shall, if the candidate is 65 years of age or more, produce evidence of medical fitness to the satisfaction of the Principal Examiner.
- (2) The examination shall consist of—
- (a) An oral examination; and
  - (b) A communications examination; and
  - (c) A written examination, consisting of papers in the following subjects:
    - (i) Ocean navigation and navigational aids:
    - (ii) General knowledge:
    - (iii) Meteorology.

**14. Mate of deep-sea fishing boat**—(1) A candidate shall qualify as follows:

- (a) *Age*: A candidate shall be not less than 19 years of age:
- (b) *Qualifying service*: A candidate shall have completed not less than 12 months' qualifying sea service on a fishing boat as deckhand or in a position of greater responsibility, while holding any of the following certificates:
  - (i) A certificate as New Zealand coastal master:
  - (ii) A certificate as skipper of coastal fishing boat, or master of home-trade fishing boat, or a United Kingdom certificate of competency as skipper (limited):
  - (iii) A certificate of service as skipper of coastal fishing boat, endorsed for fishing boats of over 30 feet register length:
  - (iv) Any other certificate which the Principal Examiner considers equivalent to a certificate specified in subparagraphs (i) to (iii) of this paragraph:
- (c) *Approved training*: A candidate shall have attended and completed an approved training course:
- (d) *Ancillary certificates*: A candidate shall hold the following ancillary certificates:
  - (i) A first aid qualification:
  - (ii) A restricted radiotelephone operator's certificate:
  - (iii) A restricted radar certificate:
  - (iv) A ship firefighting certificate:
- (e) *Eyesight and fitness requirements*: A candidate—

- (i) Shall pass the standard eyesight test and the test in colour vision prescribed in the First Schedule to these regulations; and
- (ii) Shall, if the candidate is 65 years of age or more, produce evidence of medical fitness to the satisfaction of the Principal Examiner.

(2) The examination shall consist of—

- (a) An oral examination; and
- (b) A communications examination; and
- (c) A written examination, consisting of papers in the following subjects:
  - (i) Coastal navigation;
  - (ii) General ship knowledge;
  - (iii) Ocean navigation;
  - (iv) Meteorology.

**15. New Zealand coastal master**—(1) A candidate shall qualify as follows:

- (a) *Age*: A candidate shall be not less than 19 years of age;
  - (b) *Qualifying service*: A candidate shall have completed not less than 3 years' qualifying service, of which—
    - (i) Not less than 2 years has been served on a ship plying beyond extended river limits; and
    - (ii) Not less than 18 months has been served at sea, or within restricted limits, as master or crew member in a commercial vessel while holding a certificate as commercial launchmaster or qualified fishing deckhand, or any equivalent certificate acceptable to the Principal Examiner; and
    - (iii) Not less than 6 months has been served at sea or within restricted limits on power-driven vessels of not less than 10 metres, but less than 30 metres, register length;
  - (c) *Approved training*: A candidate shall have attended and completed an approved training course;
  - (d) *Ancillary certificates*: A candidate shall hold the following ancillary certificates:
    - (i) A first aid qualification;
    - (ii) A restricted radiotelephone operator's certificate;
    - (iii) A restricted radar certificate;
    - (iv) A ship firefighting certificate;
  - (e) *Eyesight and fitness requirements*: A candidate—
    - (i) Shall pass the standard eyesight test and the test in colour vision prescribed in the First Schedule to these regulations; and
    - (ii) Shall, if the candidate is 65 years of age or more, produce evidence of medical fitness to the satisfaction of the Principal Examiner.
- (2) The examination shall consist of—
- (a) An oral examination; and
  - (b) A written examination, consisting of papers in the following subjects:
    - (i) Coastal navigation;
    - (ii) General knowledge.



**16. Home-trade endorsement for certificate as coastal master**—(1) A candidate for, or holder of, a certificate as New Zealand coastal master shall qualify for a home-trade endorsement on that certificate where that candidate or holder—

- (a) Is not less than 20 years of age; and
- (b) Produces a current certificate of medical fitness that has been—
  - (i) Issued in accordance with the Shipping (Medical Examination of Seafarers) Regulations 1986\*; and
  - (ii) Issued not more than 1 year before the date on which it is produced for the purpose of obtaining an endorsement under this regulation.

(2) Upon fulfilment of the requirements of subclause (1) of this regulation, and on payment of the prescribed fee (if any), the certificate as New Zealand coastal master shall be endorsed in the form set out in the Third Schedule to these regulations.

**17. Commercial launchmaster**—(1) A candidate shall qualify as follows:

- (a) *Age*: A candidate shall be not less than 18 years of age:
- (b) *Qualifying service*: A candidate shall have completed not less than 18 months' qualifying service at sea or within restricted limits, of which not less than 6 months has been served on a commercial vessel and not less than 2 months on a launch; except that, where the candidate has attended an approved full-time fishery cadet training course,—
  - (i) The total length of the qualifying service shall be reduced by any period spent by the candidate in attending the course, up to a maximum of 4 months; and
  - (ii) Not less than 4 months of the period of qualifying service shall have been served on a commercial vessel, and not less than 2 months on a launch:
- (c) *Approved training*: A candidate shall have attended and completed an approved training course:
- (d) *Ancillary certificate*: A candidate shall hold a first aid qualification:
- (e) *Eyesight and fitness requirements*: A candidate—
  - (i) Shall pass the reduced standard eyesight test prescribed in the First Schedule to these regulations; and
  - (ii) Shall take the test prescribed in that Schedule for colour vision and, in the event of failure to pass that test, any certificate issued to the candidate shall be endorsed to the effect that it is valid during the hours of daylight only; and
  - (iii) Shall, if the candidate is 65 years of age or more, produce evidence of medical fitness to the satisfaction of the Principal Examiner.

(2) The examination shall consist of an oral examination.

**18. Endorsement to act as commercial launchmaster**—A candidate for, or holder of, a certificate that is specified as an alternative to a certificate as commercial launchmaster in—

- (a) The Second Schedule to the Shipping (Manning of Fishing Boats) Regulations 1986<sup>\*</sup>; or
- (b) The Second Schedule to the Shipping (Manning of Restricted-Limit Ships) Regulations 1986<sup>†</sup>,—

shall qualify for an endorsement to act as commercial launchmaster by passing the engineering section of the oral examination for a certificate as commercial launchmaster.

**19. Master of pleasure yacht (ocean)**—(1) A candidate shall qualify as follows:

- (a) *Age*: A candidate shall be not less than 19 years of age:
  - (b) *Qualifying service*: A candidate shall, while holding a certificate as master of pleasure yacht (coastal), have completed not less than 400 hours' qualifying service at sea or within restricted limits in pleasure yachts over a period of not less than 2 years, including not less than 50 hours' cruising and coastal experience outside harbour limits:
  - (c) *Ancillary certificate*: A candidate shall hold a first aid qualification.
- (2) The examination shall consist of—
- (a) An oral examination; and
  - (b) A communications examination; and
  - (c) A written examination in the subject Ocean Navigation.

**20. Master of pleasure yacht (coastal)**—(1) A candidate shall qualify as follows:

- (a) *Age*: A candidate shall be not less than 17 years of age:
  - (b) *Qualifying service*: A candidate shall have completed not less than 200 hours' qualifying service at sea or within restricted limits in pleasure yachts over a period of not less than 12 months, and shall also, subject to subclause (3) of this regulation, hold a certificate as boatmaster or a certificate of a grade not lower than commercial launchmaster or master of a restricted limit launch.
- (2) The examination shall consist of a written examination in the following subjects:
- (a) Coastal navigation;
  - (b) Compass and meteorology.
- (3) Notwithstanding subclause (1)(b) of this regulation, a candidate may attempt the written paper for a certificate as master of pleasure yacht (coastal) before qualifying as boatmaster.

**21. Boatmaster**—A candidate shall be not less than 15 years of age and the examination shall consist of an oral examination and a written paper, both in the subject Seamanship.

**22. Local launchman's licence**—(1) A candidate shall qualify as follows:

- (a) *Age*: A candidate shall be not less than 18 years of age:

- (b) *Qualifying service*: A candidate shall have completed not less than 6 months' qualifying service at sea or within restricted limits, of which—
- (i) Not less than 1 month has been served on a launch, being a launch that is not a pleasure yacht; and
  - (ii) Not less than 1 month has been served in the area within restricted limits for which the licence is required within the period of 12 months immediately preceding the date of the candidate's application for examination:
- (c) *Ancillary certificate*: A candidate shall hold a first aid qualification:
- (d) *Eyesight and fitness requirements*: A candidate—
- (i) Shall pass the reduced standard eyesight test prescribed in the First Schedule to these regulations; and
  - (ii) Shall take the test prescribed in that Schedule for colour vision and, in the event of failure to pass that test, any licence issued to the candidate shall be endorsed to the effect that it is valid during the hours of daylight only; and
  - (iii) Shall, if the candidate is 65 years of age or more, produce evidence of medical fitness to the satisfaction of the Principal Examiner.

(2) The examination shall consist of an oral examination.

**23. Special provisions relating to local launchman's licence**—(1) A candidate shall specify in the application for the licence the name of the launch or launches the candidate intends to serve on, and the area or areas within extended river limits in which the candidate intends to operate, and this information shall be endorsed on any local launchman's licence issued to the candidate.

(2) Where the holder of a local launchman's licence applies to have the licence endorsed with the names of additional launches or areas of operation, the Principal Examiner—

- (a) May endorse the licence accordingly; or
- (b) Where the launch, or area, is substantially different from that already endorsed on the licence, may require a further pass in the whole or part of the examination for a local launchman's licence before so endorsing the licence; or
- (c) Where endorsement is sought for a new area, shall, before endorsing the licence, require proof that the licence holder has completed at least 1 month's service in that area within the period of 12 months immediately preceding the application for endorsement.

(3) An application for endorsement under subclause (2) of this regulation shall be accompanied by the prescribed fee (if any).

(4) A local launchman's licence—

- (a) Shall be valid for 5 years from the date on which the candidate passes the examination; and
- (b) Shall have endorsed on it the date on which the licence will, unless renewed, expire; and
- (c) May be renewed from time to time for a 5-year period on written application to the Secretary prior to the date on which the licence is due to expire, accompanied by—

- (i) The prescribed fee (if any); and
  - (ii) Proof of the holder having performed not less than 6 months' qualifying service as master of the vessel or vessels endorsed on the licence since the issue or most recent renewal of the licence, as the case may be; and
  - (iii) Where the licence holder is 65 years of age or more, evidence of medical fitness to the satisfaction of the Principal Examiner; and
- (d) Shall be cancelled where the licence holder fails to apply for renewal before the relevant expiry date, or has insufficient service to meet the renewal requirements of paragraph (c) (ii) of this subclause.

#### PART IV

##### QUALIFYING SERVICE

**24. Qualifying service**—(1) Except as otherwise provided in these regulations, qualifying service shall be sea service, or service within restricted limits where so specified in relation to the relevant certificate by regulations 13 to 22 of these regulations, performed in the deck department within a period of 10 years preceding the date of examination, except that, where the qualifying service required exceeds 12 months, only 12 months of that service need have been performed within that 10-year period.

(2) Service performed in a capacity other than master, skipper, mate, apprentice, cadet, deck boy, ordinary seaman, able seaman, or deckhand shall be acceptable as qualifying service equivalent to two-thirds of the actual time served if the Principal Examiner is satisfied that the candidate has, during the whole time claimed, performed deck duties, which must include steering, mooring, and lookout duties, in addition to the candidate's own particular work on board.

(3) Service in pleasure yachts may be accepted as qualifying service for any kind of certificate, but the value of such service—

- (a) Shall be assessed by the Principal Examiner in each case according to the grade or kind of certificate sought; and
- (b) Except in the case of qualifying service for a certificate as master of pleasure yacht (coastal *or* ocean), shall not be assessed to exceed more than one-quarter of the time actually served.

(4) Sea service in New Zealand naval ships, or in naval ships belonging to any other country, that is equivalent to service required by these regulations may be accepted in full or in part as qualifying service at the discretion of the Principal Examiner.

(5) The following shall not be acceptable as qualifying service:

- (a) Service on vessels which are laid up or undergoing major repairs in port;
- (b) Time spent as a passenger;
- (c) Service spent wholly in the providore department or engine room department of a ship, or as radio operator or radio officer.

**25. Calculation and proof of qualifying service**—(1) Where qualifying service has been performed on a regular full-time basis, the length of

service shall be reckoned from the date of engagement to the date of discharge.

(2) Where service has been intermittent or performed on a part-time basis,—

- (a) Proof of the number of hours of service on board ship shall be required; and
- (b) Unless otherwise established, not more than 8 hours in any 24-hour period will be counted, and 1500 hours service shall be counted as 12 months.

(3) A candidate shall provide proof of service by such of the following documents as may be appropriate:

- (a) Certificates of discharge:
- (b) Naval discharge certificates:
- (c) Letters and statements of service, with copies, from an employer, owner, master, skipper, harbourmaster, fishermen's association representative, or fisheries officer, stating the dates of employment, names and registered lengths of vessels, actual hours worked (where appropriate), and the geographical areas of operation in which the candidate was employed:
- (d) Where service cannot be proved by any of the means specified in paragraphs (a) to (c) of this subclause,—
  - (i) A statutory declaration made by the candidate setting out the dates and type of employment, names and registered lengths of vessels, actual hours worked (where appropriate), and geographical areas of operation in which the candidate was employed; or
  - (ii) In the case of cadets attending approved courses where time undergoing training may be counted as qualifying service, a letter from the head of the training establishment setting out the dates of attendance and the type of course, and stating that the course has been satisfactorily completed.

**26. Insufficient qualifying service**—(1) If, after a candidate has passed an examination, it is discovered that his or her qualifying service is insufficient to entitle the candidate to receive a certificate of the kind to which the examination related, the candidate shall not be entitled to receive a certificate; but a certificate may be granted to that candidate, without further examination, where—

- (a) The Secretary is satisfied that the error in the calculation of the candidate's qualifying service did not occur through any wilful misrepresentation on the part of the candidate; and
- (b) The candidate has subsequently completed the required qualifying service.

**27. Qualifying service misrepresented**—Where—

- (a) A candidate's eligibility for examination depends on the time for which and the capacity in which the candidate served on board ship while performing the necessary qualifying service, or upon the production of a satisfactorily completed navigation work book; and

- (b) A wilful misrepresentation by the candidate as to such time or capacity, or a wilful falsification by the candidate of the work book, is discovered after the commencement of the examination,—

the candidate shall be deemed to have failed the examination, and shall not be permitted to resit it for a period of 6 months.

## PART V

### EXAMINATIONS

**28. Syllabuses**—Syllabuses shall be prescribed by the Secretary and shall be obtainable from the office of the Ministry of Transport at Auckland or Wellington upon payment of the prescribed fee (if any).

**29. Places and times**—(1) Examinations for all grades of certificates to which these regulations apply shall be held at the places and times specified by the Principal Examiner.

(2) Candidates shall be given reasonable notice of the day and time of their oral examination.

**30. Conduct of examinations**—(1) A copy of the rules to be observed shall be made available to every candidate.

(2) A candidate who violates any of those rules shall be subject to all the penalties of failure, and may be excluded from further examination for such period, not exceeding 12 months, as the Secretary may decide.

**31. Written examinations**—(1) The written part of each examination shall be conducted in the order shown in the Table to this regulation, and the time allowed, the total marks to be allotted, the pass mark required for each subject, and the aggregate pass mark required for the written examination as a whole, shall be as specified in that Table.

(2) A candidate shall not pass the written part of an examination unless the candidate obtains both—

- (a) A pass mark in each individual subject; and
- (b) The aggregate pass mark for the written examination as a whole.

TABLE TO REGULATION 31

*Written Examinations*

Certificate	Subject (and order in which taken)	Time allowed (in hours)	Marks allotted	Pass mark for each subject	Aggregate pass mark
Skipper of deep-sea fishing boat	<i>First day:</i>				
	1. Ocean navigation and navigational aids	3.0	200	120	
	2. General knowledge	2.0	150	90	
	<i>Second day:</i>				
	3. Meteorology	2.0	150	90	
					350
Mate of deep-sea fishing boat	<i>First day:</i>				
	1. Coastal navigation	3.0	200	120	
	2. General ship knowledge	2.0	150	90	
	<i>Second day:</i>				
	3. Ocean navigation	3.0	200	120	
	4. Meteorology	2.0	150	90	
					490
New Zealand coastal master	1. Coastal navigation	3.0	200	120	
	2. General knowledge	2.0	150	90	
					245
Master of pleasure yacht (ocean)	1. Ocean navigation	3.0	200	120	
					120
Master of pleasure yacht (coastal)	1. Coastal navigation	3.0	200	120	
	2. Compass and meteorology	2.0	100	60	
					180
Boatmaster	1. Seamanship	1.0	100	70	
					70

**32. Oral examinations**—(1) The oral part of each examination shall be taken as arranged with and notified to the candidate.

(2) Candidates for certificates as skipper of deep-sea fishing boat, mate of deep-sea fishing boat, or New Zealand coastal master shall proceed to the oral examination on completion of the written examination, whether or not they have passed the written examination.

**33. Communications examinations**—(1) Candidates for certificates as skipper of deep-sea fishing boat or mate of deep-sea fishing boat may take the communications part of the examination during any week in which examinations for those grades of certificates are held within 12 months immediately before or after they present themselves for examination in the written and oral parts.

(2) Communications examinations for candidates for certificates as master of pleasure yacht (ocean) shall be taken as arranged with and notified to the candidate.

(3) In a communications examination the standard required in morse flashing shall be as follows:

- (a) Morse block, not more than 10 mistakes:
- (b) Morse message, not more than 2 words incorrect.

**34. Examination results**—(1) A results form shall be sent to each candidate who has attempted a written examination, and the form shall, in respect of each part of the examination,—

- (a) Bear the word “Pass” if the candidate has been successful; or
- (b) Bear the grade obtained, if the candidate has failed.

(2) In any examination the examiner’s decision shall be final and no appeal against the result of the examination shall be entertained.

**35. Partial passes**—Where a candidate fails to pass all parts of an examination, a pass in any part of the examination shall remain valid,—

- (a) In the case of any part of the examination for a certificate as master of pleasure yacht (ocean), for all time; or

- (b) In any other case, for a period of 12 months,—

and, if the candidate passes in all other parts of the examination during that period and has complied with all relevant examination requirements, the candidate shall be granted the appropriate certificate.

**36. Failures**—(1) Where a candidate fails in any examination or part of an examination, the candidate shall not be permitted to resit that examination or part,—

- (a) In the case of a failure at first attempt, for a period of 1 month from the date of the examination:

- (b) In the case of a second or subsequent failure, for a period of 2 months from the date of the most recently failed examination.

(2) A candidate shall be regarded as having failed an examination, or part of an examination, if the candidate fails to attend at the time appointed, unless he or she produces a medical certificate or other satisfactory evidence of inability to attend.



## PART VI

## REVOCATIONS

**37. Revocations**—The following regulations are hereby revoked:

- (a) The Masters and Mates (Restricted Home-Trade and Fishing Boats) Examination Regulations 1975\*:
- (b) The Masters and Mates (Restricted Home-Trade and Fishing Boats) Examination Regulations 1975, Amendment No. 1†.

\*S.R. 1975/134  
†S.R. 1981/50

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 SCHEDULES
 

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Regs. 13, 14, 15, 17, and 22

## FIRST SCHEDULE

## EYESIGHT TESTS

*Purpose:*

The purpose of these tests is to ensure that a person's eyesight is sufficiently good to enable the person to pick up and identify correctly the lights of distant ships at sea. Experience has shown that for this purpose a person must be able to reach certain minimum standards both of form and colour vision.

*Conduct of tests:*

A sight test comprises a letter test and a lantern test as prescribed below.

The letter test is for form vision only, the lantern test is for form and colour vision combined. The Ishihara test is for confirmation of colour vision only, except as provided for in this Schedule where, with the approval of the Principal Examiner, it may be used as an alternative colour vision test.

Two standards are allowed in the eyesight tests, that is:

- (a) Standard eyesight test:
- (b) Reduced standard eyesight test.

The tests shall be conducted by an examiner who shall keep a record of all mistakes made by the candidate both in the letter test and in the lantern test.

A pass in the letter test shall be valid for 6 months.

*Letter test:*

The first test shall be the letter test conducted on Snellen's principle by means of sheets of letters. On each sheet the 5th, 6th, and 7th lines correspond to standards 6/12, 6/9, and 6/6 respectively.

*Standard eyesight test—vision required:*

A candidate who opts to take the test without aids to vision will be required to read correctly down to and including line 7 with the better eye and down to and including line 6 with the other eye.

A candidate who opts to take the test using aids to vision must first take the test without such aids, in which case the candidate will be required to read correctly down to and including line 5 with the better eye and line 3 with the other eye. The candidate will then be tested with aids to vision and

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will be required to read correctly down to and including line 7 with the better eye and down to and including line 6 with the other eye.

*Reduced standard eyesight test—vision required:*

A candidate will be required to read correctly, without aids to vision, down to and including line 4. The candidate may elect to use both eyes together or separately.

The candidate will then be tested with aids to vision and will be required to read correctly down to and including line 7. The candidate may elect to use both eyes together or separately.

*Methods of testing:*

The test card shall be mounted at a convenient height and shall be properly illuminated. The testing room shall be moderately lighted so that extreme contrast between the test card and background is avoided.

The candidate shall stand at right angles to the card and exactly 6 metres away from it. The candidate shall then be required to read the card commencing with the largest letter and to read each subsequent line from left to right.

If with aids or without aids (or in both cases) a candidate fails to reach the required standard, an additional sheet will be given in that part or those parts of the test in which the candidate has failed.

If, at the conclusion of the letter test, the candidate is considered to have reached the required standard, the candidate shall proceed to the lantern test unless the candidate holds a New Zealand certificate of competency for which a pass in the lantern test would have been a condition for issue.

If the candidate fails to reach the required standard the following alternatives shall be explained to the candidate:

- (a) The candidate may break off the test and present himself or herself after not less than 3 months for a further test. In this case a certificate of failure shall be issued; or
- (b) If the candidate did not use aids to form vision at the first attempt, and the standard of unaided vision is such that the candidate can read correctly down to and including line 4 with both eyes together or separately at the candidate's option, the candidate may present himself or herself for retesting at any time, but at that test the candidate shall use artificial aids to form vision; or
- (c) The candidate may proceed to the lantern test. In this case, a record of all mistakes made in the letter test and all mistakes (if any) made in the lantern test shall be forwarded to the Principal Examiner for decision.

*Lantern test:*

A special lantern and a mirror shall be provided for this test. The test is to be conducted in a room so darkened as to exclude all daylight.

The lantern shall be placed directly in front of the mirror so that the front part of the lantern shall be exactly 3 metres from the mirror, and in such a position that the lights reflected in the mirror show clearly when viewed by the candidate seated close to the lantern.

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A candidate who has used artificial aids to form vision may continue to use such aids in the lantern test, but tinted lenses shall not be permitted.

If a candidate makes mistakes at the beginning of the lantern test, the candidate shall be kept in a completely or partially darkened room for at least 10 minutes for darkness adaptation, and shall then begin the test again.

The lantern used for this test is designed to show 3 colours, namely, red, white, and green, singly through a large aperture or in pairs through small apertures.

The test shall commence with a series of lights shown through the large aperture followed by 4 complete circuits and 1 broken circuit of lights shown through the small apertures. Candidates shall be required to name the colours of the lights as they appear.

*Sight test results:*

A candidate who has passed in the letter test and makes no mistakes in the lantern test shall be deemed to have passed the whole test, and the examiner shall issue a sight test certificate to that effect, or, where the candidate is an applicant for a certificate of competency, the examiner shall complete the relevant section of the application form.

A certificate of competency issued to a candidate who passes the test using aids to vision for any part of the test shall be endorsed to the effect that that person should use those aids when on watch and that a spare pair of spectacles should be carried. In the case of a candidate who passes the test wearing contact lenses, the certificate should be similarly endorsed to the effect that that person should carry a spare pair of contact lenses or spectacles.

A candidate who fails the standard test but passes the reduced standard test shall be issued with a sight test certificate to that effect unless the candidate is an applicant for a certificate of competency, in which case the examiner shall complete the relevant section of the application form, and, where such a failure does not preclude the candidate from sitting the examination, an appropriate endorsement shall be made on the certificate of competency.

If, with either the large aperture or the small aperture lights, a candidate mistakes red for green, or green for red, the candidate shall be considered to have failed in the lantern test.

A candidate who fails the lantern test shall be issued with a sight test certificate to that effect, and if the candidate is an applicant for a certificate of competency the examiner shall complete the relevant section of the application form; and, where such a failure does not preclude the candidate from sitting the examination, an appropriate endorsement shall be made on the certificate of competency.

If a candidate mistakes red or green for white, or white for red or green, and did not use aids to form vision, the candidate shall then be tested with the Ishihara plates.

If the candidate fails to identify any one or more of the Ishihara plates, all results (lantern and Ishihara) shall be referred to the Principal Examiner for decision, and the candidate shall be issued with a certificate notifying the candidate of his or her success or failure, as the case may be.

FIRST SCHEDULE—*continued*

If the candidate completes the Ishihara test without mistake, the candidate shall be advised that there appears to be a defect in his or her form vision and that the candidate may take the test again at any time after first obtaining artificial aids to vision. No additional fee shall be charged for the subsequent test.

If the candidate has previously failed in form vision the candidate shall be re-tested in form vision, in addition to the lantern test, using artificial aids.

If the candidate makes further green/white or red/white or red/green mistakes after the foregoing procedure, *all* results (lantern and Ishihara) shall be sent to the Principal Examiner for decision. Pending the receipt of the Principal Examiner's instructions, a candidate shall be allowed to proceed with any examination for a certificate of competency on the express understanding that this examination will be cancelled in the event of a failure in the sight test. In such a case the candidate shall be notified by the issue of a certificate of his or her success or failure as a result of the Principal Examiner's decision.

*Special test:*

A candidate who fails to pass the lantern test may apply to the Principal Examiner for a special test on payment of the appropriate fee, which shall be refunded if the candidate passes the special test.

The special test shall be supervised by 2 sight test examiners and may be undertaken at any port nominated by the Principal Examiner, who shall also notify the candidate as to the most suitable time and date. The candidate shall inform the Principal Examiner whether or not he or she will be able to attend, and any candidate who fails to appear at the appointed time, having previously informed the Principal Examiner that he or she will attend, shall be liable to have the test postponed indefinitely and shall forfeit the fee paid.

*Alternative colour vision tests:*

A candidate for a local launchman's licence or a certificate as commercial launchmaster may be tested in colour vision by means other than the lantern. Such alternative tests shall be as approved by the Principal Examiner.

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 SECOND SCHEDULE

Reg. 13

## NAVIGATION WORKBOOK FOR SKIPPER OF DEEP SEA FISHING BOAT

The workbook shall have 8 pages comprising:

- Two morning observations of the sun out of the meridian.
- Two afternoon observations of the sun out of the meridian.
- Two observations of the sun on the meridian.
- One fix from 2 (or more) star observations at twilight.
- One compass error by azimuth, sun or star.
- Two fixes using radio direction finder.

All calculations and necessary workings shall be shown on each page.

The candidate shall sign each page.

Reg. 16

THIRD SCHEDULE

HOME-TRADE ENDORSEMENT OF CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCY AS NEW  
ZEALAND COASTAL MASTER

[Seal]

New Zealand

Issued under the provisions of the International Convention on  
Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers,  
1978

I, the undersigned, certify that the present certificate No. .... is  
issued to ....., who has been found duly qualified in accordance  
with the provisions of Regulation ..... of the International  
Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for  
Seafarers, 1978, as .....\* with the following limitations only:

[Insert } .....  
limitations } .....  
or "none"] } .....

Date of issue of this endorsement: .....

Signed:

[Seal]

.....  
Secretary for Transport.

Date of birth of holder of certificate: .....

Signature of holder of certificate: .....

\*Insert Convention grade or class of certificate.

P. G. MILLEN,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

*This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.*

These regulations revise and replace, from 1 August 1986, the Masters and Mates (Restricted Home-Trade and Fishing Boats) Examination Regulations 1975 and their amendments.

In particular they provide for the issue of 2 new certificates of competency as New Zealand coastal master and commercial launchmaster. These 2 certificates replace the existing certificates of competency as master of small home-trade ship, master of river ship, master of restricted-limit launch, skipper of coastal fishing boat, and inshore fishing skipper.

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