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*Yacht-master.*

**81. Examination in Navigation.**—The examination in navigation for yacht-master's certificate will be precisely the same as that prescribed for an ordinary master's certificate, except that in the civil duties of a shipmaster the master of a yacht will only be expected to possess a knowledge of what he is required to do by the Shipping and Seamen Act.

**82. Examination in Seamanship.**—He must give satisfactory answers as to his knowledge of making and taking in sail, and as to the management of a yacht under canvas in moderate and in stormy weather. He must have a thorough knowledge of the rule of the road at sea as regards both steamers and sailing-vessels, their regulation lights, and fog and sound signals; and be able to describe the signals of distress, and the signals to be made by ships wanting a pilot, and the liabilities and penalties incurred by the misuse of these signals. He must also understand the use and management of the rocket apparatus in the event of his vessel being stranded. He must be able to mark and use the lead and log lines; to cast a vessel on a lee shore; to moor and unmoor a ship; to keep a clear anchor, and to carry out an anchor. He must know how to keep his vessel out of the trough of the sea in the event of accident; how to rig rafts and jury-rudders, &c.; and what steps to take if his vessel is disabled or unmanageable and drifting towards a lee shore. He will also be examined as to the resources for the preservation of the crew in the event of wreck. He must also possess a knowledge of the measure he should adopt for preventing and checking an outbreak of scurvy on board; and be prepared to answer any other questions relating to the management of a yacht, either steam or sailing, which the Examiner may ask.

*Extra Master, Yachts.*

**83. Extra Master of Yacht.**—An extra certificate will be issued to the owner of a yacht who either holds, or is qualified to be examined for, a yacht-master's certificate, subject to the following examination.

**84. Examination in Navigation.**—The examination in navigation will be precisely the same as that prescribed for an extra master's certificate. (See para. 75.)

**85. Examination in Seamanship.**—The subjects of examination in seamanship will be the same as those prescribed for a yacht-master's certificate, but the candidate for an extra certificate will be expected to show a more extensive practical knowledge than is required of a candidate for the yacht-master's certificate.

**CERTIFICATES FOR PLEASURE-YACHTS IN NEW ZEALAND WATERS.**

**86.** A candidate must be not less than eighteen years of age.

The examination for these certificates is purely voluntary, and is confined to those who own or part-own pleasure-yachts in New Zealand waters. The certificate will not entitle the holder to command any vessel except a pleasure-yacht in New Zealand waters.

Candidates are not required to have served any specified time afloat, as it is believed that their sea-knowledge will be sufficiently tested by the examination they will have to pass in seamanship.

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A candidate will be required to produce a statutory declaration to the effect (1) that he is the sole or part owner of a yacht; (2) that the yacht is seagoing; (3) that it is not to be used for trading purposes. He will also be required to fill up the form of application (Form Exn. 2), and pay the fee of £2 at a mercantile marine office, as prescribed in para. 3. In all other respects, except that the candidate will not be required to produce a first-aid certificate, the regulations relating to the examinations of masters of foreign-going ships will apply in these cases.

*Yacht-master in New Zealand Waters.*

**87. Navigation.**—A candidate for yacht-master will be required—  
(a.) To write a legible hand and spell correctly.