

GUIDANCE ON REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CREW ON FISHING VESSELS

Size of vessel	Trade area	Master	Mate	Crew	Remarks
<p>For all fishermen – on all fishing vessels, irrespective of size, the following applies:</p> <p><i>Nobody may perform work on board a fishing vessel, irrespective of its size, without having a valid health certificate as well as having completed a basic course for ship's assistants or an approved safety course for fishermen approved by the Danish Maritime Authority of 3 weeks' duration and having acquired a certificate certifying this unless he can document at least 2 years of employment with such work within the last 5 years prior to 1 September 1996.</i></p> <p><i>Persons who do not meet the employment requirement, but who document to have been employed with fishing for at least 2 years prior to 1 September 1991 can, instead of the course mentioned, complete a safety course of 1 week's duration approved by the Danish Maritime Authority.</i></p>					
Fishing vessels 0-9 metres (pp)	In limited waters	<p>In addition to meeting the above-mentioned provisions on a 3-week safety course for all fishermen:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Blue Certificate; ▪ have been subject to a sight and hearing test determined by the DMA; ▪ Radio certificate; <p style="text-align: center;">or:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ have acquired a duration of service of 12 months in seagoing fishing vessels; ▪ have completed a course in navigation, regulations for preventing collisions at sea and seamanship, incl. familiarity with the stability of small fishing vessels – 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Valid health certificate; and ▪ safety course for fishermen – duration 3 weeks; or ▪ Basic course for ship's assistants. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Valid health certificate; and ▪ safety course for fishermen – duration 3 weeks; or ▪ Basic course for ship's assistants. 	Fishermen who, in the period from 1 February 1995 to 1 February 2000, have been employed for at least 12 months can continue to be masters of fishing vessels of less than 15 metres in length (pp)

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		duration 1 week; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ have been subject to a sight and hearing test determined by the DMA; and ▪ valid certificate as medical caretaker for the relevant medicine chest C or B; ▪ Radio certificate. 			
Fishing vessels 9-15 metres (pp)	In limited waters	1) Blue certificate, incl. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) valid certificate as second hand on fishing vessels; b) certificate of proficiency in motor operation; and c) restricted certificate as radio operator in GMDSS (ROC). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2) Have a certificate as a second hand on fishing vessels.* 3) Sight and hearing test determined by the DMA. 4) Valid certificate as medical caretaker for the relevant medicine chest C or 	Determined by the DMA, however as a minimum: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Valid health certificate; and ▪ Safety course for fishermen – duration 3 weeks; or ▪ Basic course for ship's assistants. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Valid health certificate; and ▪ Safety course for fishermen – duration 3 weeks; or ▪ Basic course for ship's assistants. 	Fishermen who, in the period from 1 February 1995 to 1 February 2000, have been employed for at least 12 months can continue to be masters of fishing vessels of less than 15 metres in length (pp) <p>* To acquire a certificate as a second hand in fishing vessels, it is required that the person concerned has, within the last five years prior to the date of issue of the certificate, completed a test for certificate of proficiency in navigation for fishermen or a test for certificate of proficiency in navigation; and</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) has completed the school training approved by the DMA for professional fishermen and acquired a duration of service of 3 months in fishing vessels; or 2) has acquired a duration of service of 12 months.

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Fishing vessels 15-24 metres (pp)	In limited waters	Skipper 3 rd class on fishing vessels	Second hand on fishing vessels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Valid health certificate; and ▪ Safety course for fishermen – duration 3 weeks; or ▪ Basic course for ship's assistants. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For operating the engine in fishing vessels with a length of or above 15 metres and fishing vessels with scantlings of or above 100 as well as propulsion machinery of or above 100 kW, but below 750 kW in which it is possible to adjust the machinery and carry out propeller manoeuvres from the conning position, there must in limited waters be 1 person holding a certificate of proficiency in motor operation and, outside limited waters, 2 persons holding certificates of proficiency in motor operation. ▪ For other fishing vessels with a length of or above 15 metres and with propulsion machinery of or above 100 kW, the engine crew shall be determined by the DMA. <p>The prescribed persons can be employed for other service on board.</p>
Fishing vessels 15-24 metres (pp)	Outside limited waters	Skipper 1 st class on fishing vessels	Mate 1 st class on fishing vessels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Valid health certificate; and ▪ Safety course for fishermen – duration 3 weeks; or ▪ Basic course for ship's assistants. 	
Fishing vessels 24-45 metres (pp)	In limited waters	Skipper 3 rd class on fishing vessels	Mate 3 rd class on fishing vessels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Valid health certificate; and ▪ Safety course for fishermen – duration 3 weeks; or ▪ Basic course for ship's assistants. 	
Fishing vessels 24-45 metres (pp)	Outside limited waters	Skipper 1 st class on fishing vessels	Mate 1 st class on fishing vessels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Valid health certificate; and ▪ Safety course for fishermen – duration 3 weeks; or ▪ Basic course for ship's assistants. 	

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Fishing vessels Above 45 metres (pp)	In limited waters	Skipper 1 st class on fishing vessels	Mate 1 st class on fishing vessels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Valid health certificate; and ▪ Safety course for fishermen – duration 3 weeks; or ▪ Basic course for ship's assistants. 	
Fishing vessels Above 45 metres (pp)	Outside limited waters	Determined by the DMA	Determined by the DMA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Valid health certificate; and ▪ Safety course for fishermen – duration 3 weeks; or ▪ Basic course for ship's assistants. 	

- (pp) is the distance between the perpendiculars. A description of this measure is found in order no. 832 of 10 November 1999 on qualification requirements for seafarers and fishermen, section 28.
- Limited waters is defined as trade south of 62° N latitude, north of 48° N latitude and east of 12° W longitude, trade in the Baltic Sea, trade on the Faroe Islands and Faroe Banks as well as trade along the coasts of Greenland at a distance of not more than 200 nautical miles from the coast (the base line).
- Certificates as medical caretakers must be re-acquired every five years.
- The health certificate must be renewed at least every 2 years.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ENGINE CREW ON FISHING VESSELS

(A certificate of proficiency in motor operation is not included in the examination of skippers on fishing vessels dated before 1 October 1975)

Size of vessel	Engine	Operation	Trade area	Operation of the engine
Fishing vessels above 15 metres (PP) and fishing vessels with scantlings of or above 100	Machinery of or above 100 kW, but below 750 kW	It is possible to adjust the engine and to carry out propeller manoeuvres from the conning position	Limited waters	1 person holding a certificate of proficiency in motor operation <i>The prescribed persons can be employed for other service on board.</i>
Fishing vessels above 15 metres (PP) and fishing vessels with scantlings of or above 100	Machinery of or above 100 kW, but below 750 kW	It is possible to adjust the engine and to carry out propeller manoeuvres from the conning position	Outside limited waters	2 persons holding certificates of proficiency in motor operation <i>The prescribed persons can be employed for other service on board.</i>
Fishing vessels above 15 metres (PP) and fishing vessels with scantlings of or above 100	Machinery of or above kW	Other fishing vessels	Limited waters and outside limited waters	Determined by the DMA <i>The prescribed persons can be employed for other service on board.</i>

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- *Persons who do not meet the employment requirement, but who document to have been employed with fishing for at least 2 years prior to 1 September 1991 can, instead of the course mentioned, complete a safety course of 1 week's duration approved by the Danish Maritime Authority.*

Masters of fishing vessels below 15 m – interim arrangement:

- *Fishermen who have, in the period from 1 February 1995 to 1 February 2000, been employed for at least 12 months can continue as masters of fishing vessels below 15 metres (pp).*

Acquisition of certificate as a second hand:

- *To acquire a certificate as a second hand in fishing vessels, it is required that the person concerned has, within the last five years prior to the date of issue of the certificate, completed a test for certificate of proficiency in navigation for fishermen or a test for certificate of proficiency in navigation; and*
 - 1) *has completed the school training approved by the DMA for professional fishermen and acquired a duration of service of 3 months in fishing vessels; or*
 - 2) *has acquired a duration of service of 12 months.*

Certificate as medical caretaker for the following inventories (Notice A, chapter IX, 1 September 2007; Examinations, medical treatment and ship's medicine):

Trade area of the fishing vessel	Required medicine chest (type of inventory)	Medical caretaker with type of certificate	Supplementary training must be completed
Outside limited waters – all seas	A	A	every 5 years at the latest
Limited waters – up to 150 nautical miles from EU coasts (however up to 175 nautical miles where there is helicopter coverage)	B	A or B	every 5 years at the latest
Up to 25 nautical miles from the coast	C	A, B or C	every 5 years at the latest

Re-acquisition of certificate as medical caretaker:

- *Certificates as medical caretakers must be re-acquired every 5 years.*

Renewal of health certificate:

- *Health certificates must be renewed at least every 2 years.*