



UKHMA Harbour Master Certificate

The UKHMA Harbour Master Certificate has been developed by the UK Harbour Masters' Association (UKHMA) and Port Skills and Safety (PSS) and is managed by Liverpool John Moores University (LJMU).

The Harbour Master Certificate is a voluntary qualification that demonstrates capability, knowledge and understanding of the National Occupational Standards (NOS) for Harbour Masters. It is recognised by the Maritime & Coastguard Agency (MCA) and the Department for Transport, but is not STCW compliant.

The qualification is open to all Harbour Masters Deputy and Assistant Harbour Masters, and those within the Harbour Master Office in the UK, Northern Ireland and Channel Islands.

Overview

The Harbour Master Certificate is an evidence based assessment process that is completed within a 18 month period. A Candidate is required to identify, gather and present evidence relating to the NOS for appraisal by two independent and remote assessors. There are a total of 17 Units to be completed, all of which are mandatory. It will be a demanding examination of a Candidate's knowledge, understanding and practical experience of the NOS.

On completion of the assessment process the Candidate is invited to attend an Oral Examination conducted by two Examiners and monitored by the MCA.

On successful completion of the Oral Examination the Candidate is awarded a Harbour Master Certificate which is accredited by the MCA and is valid for 5 years.

The Harbour Master Certificate is presented to the Candidate at a UKHMA Seminar.

Revalidation of the Certificate can be achieved by the submission of CPD evidence during the 5 year period. On approval of the CPD evidence the Certificate will be endorsed for a further 5 years.

Summary

The Harbour Master Certificate has 3 intakes per year in January, March and September.

An Introductory Day is arranged at the start of each intake to familiarise Candidates with the assessment process.

Candidates accepted onto the Harbour Master Certificate have 18 months in which to complete the evidence based assessment process.

There are 17 Units to be completed and each Unit is assessed by two remote assessors.

A Mentor is assigned to each Candidate to advise and support during the assessment process.

An Oral Examination is conducted by two Examiners and is monitored by the MCA.

Extensions to the 18 month assessment period can be requested and are considered on an individual basis. If granted an extension of 3 months will be added to the assessment period.

Contact

To request a booking form or additional information please contact :

Miss Helen Guest
Administration Manager
Liverpool John Moores University

T: +44 (0)151 647 0494 or 0151 904 6656
E: CertificateAdmin@ljmu.ac.uk