

WARSASH MARITIME SCHOOL

OPTIONS FOR YACHT DECK OFFICIERS

In general, there are three routes for yacht deck officers, each with their own characteristics, as illustrated in this table:

	A – Yacht 3,000GT Route	B – Examination Route for Experienced Seafarers	C - Cadetship
Leads to the following professional award (CoC)	OOW (Yachts, Less Than 3,000GT)	OOW (Unlimited)	OOW (Unlimited)
Leads to the following academic award	--	HNC Nautical Science	HND/FD/BSc(Hons) Nautical Science
Academic exemptions for second CoC (Chief Mate Unlimited)	--	No	Yes (meaning less study required for Chief Mate!)
Training Record Book Required	Yes (Yacht TRB, must be completed before orals)	No	Yes (will be completed during cadetship)
Sea Service Requirement Total	3 years, (1,080 days of yacht service, including 365 days on a vessel of at least 15m)	3 years (1,080 days in total, includes actual time at sea, standby-time and yard time, on any vessels over 80GT or 24m)	12 months (sea service will be completed as part of the cadetship)
Thereof minimum Actual Sea Service (at sea, not in yard or in standby)	250 days on a vessel of at least 15m	445 days on vessels over 80GT or 24m	--
Thereof max amount of Yard Time	90 days	90 days	--
Thereof max amount of Stand-by service	On each occasion following a trip no more than length of previous trip up to maximum of 14 days	On each occasion following a trip no more than length of previous trip up to maximum of 14 days	--
Sea service verification	All yacht time must be verified by PYA or Nautilus	All yacht time must be verified by PYA or Nautilus	--

Academic entry requirements	None	None	HND: Four GCSEs at grade 9 to 4 (A* to C) incl. Maths, English and Science. For FD: as above plus 48 UCAS points. For BSc: 104-120 UCAS points.
Other requirements	RYA/IYT Yachtmaster Offshore EDH must have been held for at least 18 months before oral examination	--	--
Duration	4 weeks	4.5 months (excluding short courses)	3 years (including 12 months sea service and all short courses)
Fees (academic only, without short courses)	£4,150	£5,995	Paid by sponsor
Funding available	Slater Scholarship	Slater Scholarship Student Loan	Shipping/Yacht company, SMarT funding
Short courses required	STCW Basic Safety EDH HELM(O) ECDIS GMDSS GOC PSCRB	STCW Basic Safety EDH HELM(O) ECDIS GMDSS GOC PSCRB MFA Advanced Fire Fighting	
Progression to Chief Mate Unlimited	-- Not possible, must obtain OOW Unlimited first (via route B)	12 months service + HND Nautical Science (9 months) SQA Exams NAEST(M) HELM(M) PMC Oral	12 months service SQA Exams NAEST(M) HELM(M) PMC Oral
Progression to Master Mariner Unlimited	--	Oral	Oral
Progression to Chief Mate Yachts Less than 3,000GT	RYA Yachtmaster Ocean MFA Advance Fire Fighting HELM(M), no oral	HELM(M), no oral	HELM(M), no oral

Progression to Master Yachts Less than 3,000GT	24 months service NASRAS (Master Yachts) Business & Law Celestial Nav Stability (Master Yachts) SeaMet (Master Yachts) Oral	24 months service NASRAS (Master Yachts) Business & Law Celestial Nav Oral	24 months service NASRAS (Master Yachts) Business & Law Celestial Nav Oral
NoE Application Form	MSF 4343	MSF 4274	MSF 4274
Relevant M-Notice	MSN1858	MSN1856	MSN1856

Please note that regulations and detailed dates can always change. The information is for illustrative purposes and given to the best knowledge at the current time. For more questions please do not hesitate to contact the Admission team (warsash.admissions@solent.ac.uk).

We look forward to welcoming you onto these courses!