TRANSPORT CANADA RECOGNIZES FISHING EXPERIENCE NEW MARINE PERSONNEL REGULATIONS REQUIRE FISHERMEN TO BE CERTIFIED BY TRANSPORT CANADA AS MASTER AND MATE



"GRANDFATHER" TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE NOW FOR EXPERIENCED FISHERMEN.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AS MASTER OF A FISHING VESSEL OF LESS THAN 60 GROSS TONNAGE

To obtain this certificate you need:

- 12 months sea time as master on vessel over 15 gross tonnage or 12 meters prior to July 1, 2007
- 7 seasons as master
- Marine Emergency Duties A1 or A2 (MED A1 or MED A2)
- Radio Operators Certificate Maritime (ROC- M) or Radio Operators Certificate Maritime Commercial (ROC- MC)

IF YOU DON'T HAVE THE REQUIRED 7 SEASONS BEFORE JULY 1, 2007, YOU CAN OBTAIN THIS CERTIFICATE WITH ADDITIONAL TRAINING:

- Small Vessel Operators Proficiency (SVOP)
- Marine Basic First Aid
- Simulated Electronic Navigation Limited (SEN L)

Complete sea time and 7 seasons declaration forms and bring your MED A1, ROC M and passport or identity documents to the nearest Transport Canada office for processing.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AS WATCHKEEPING MATE OF A FISHING VESSEL OF LESS THAN 100 GROSS TONNAGE

To serve as a mate or officer of the watch on a vessel up to 100 gross tonnage

To obtain this certificate you need:

- 12 months sea time as mate on vessel over 15 gross tonnage or 12 meters prior to July 1, 2007
- 7 seasons as mate
- Marine Emergency Duties A1 or A2 (MED A1 or MED A2)
- Radio Operators Certificate Maritime (ROC- M) or Radio Operators Certificate Maritime Commercial (ROC- MC)

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SMALL VESSEL OPERATORS (7 SEASONS EXEMPTION)

To obtain this certificate you need:

7 seasons as a master and completion of the 7 seasons declaration form

OR An approved SVOP course (26 hours of training, attendance and test)