



SAS YACHTMASTER OFFSHORE EXAM

Because of the progressive nature of the qualifications from Day Skipper to Yachtmaster Ocean you must be a Coastal Skipper to apply for Yachtmaster Offshore.

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED:

- A copy of your Coastal Skipper certificate
- A copy of your log book
- A copy of your valid Level I First Aid certificate
- A copy of your VHF certificate
- A copy of your SAS or SAMSA eye test (download form [here](#))
- Proof of identity - a copy of your SA ID book or SA drivers license or a copy of your passport
- 8 ID colour photographs with your name printed on the back

!!! ALL ABOVE DOCUMENTS NEED TO BE PRESENT AS COPIES ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE PREP WEEK !!!

SAS YACHTMASTER OFFSHORE PRE-REQUISITES

THE PERSONAL LOG

A log book is required as proof of experience. The log book records the details of each voyage, and should be signed off by the skipper. If you are the skipper for a particular voyage you will sign for that voyage yourself.

QUALIFYING SEATIME

Qualifying miles are the total nautical miles logged on a sailing vessel at sea as skipper or as an active member of crew. However qualifying night hours are only those hours spent on watch at night from sunset to sunrise. Qualifying passages must be overnight passages of 100 nautical miles or more as skipper of a sailing vessel.

Power boat experience is not qualifying.

- **Seamiles:** 2500nm
- **Night hours on watch:** 48
- **Passages:** Three overnight trips of at least 100nm each as skipper

FIRST AID CERTIFICATE

Candidates for Coastal Skipper and above must hold a Level 1 First Aid Certificate.

RADIO OPERATORS LICENCE

All candidates require a Restricted Radiotelephone Operator's Certificate (Marine).

VISUAL ACUITY AND ISHIHARA COLOUR TEST

The eye test must be completed by a registered optician using the SAS form. The test is very quick and most opticians will do it for free. SAMSA have ruled that colour blind candidates may not qualify beyond Day Skipper as they consider colour vision to be essential for night sailing.

AGE

The candidate must be at least 16 years of age.