

MAR10313 Certificate I in Maritime Operations (General Purpose Hand Near Coastal)

Train as a Deckhand and undertake a wide range of maritime work at sea and around the waterfront in communications, seamanship, logistics, tourism and hospitality; help re-build a marina or discover your potential with an environmental group. With further training and experience you could become a ships master.

- A General Purpose Hand (GPH) must be least 16 years of age and must successfully complete basic shipboard safety and sea survival training to work as a professional crew member.
- You will assist the Master, Engineer and/or owner as a general hand in the working of a commercial vessel.
- You may choose to work on Sydney Harbour, Australia's Great Barrier Reef or be paid to visit some of the most beautiful and exotic places on earth.

This qualification is suitable for people working in entry level positions in the maritime industry as a General Purpose Hand on deck or in the engine room of a vessel up to 80 metres within the exclusive economic zone (EEZ) in the engine room only for a vessel with propulsion power up to 3000 kW.

This qualification is one component of the eligibility criteria to achieve [General Purpose Hand Certificate of Competency](#) which allows you to work in any state or territory in Australia. You can apply for your certificate by submitting application forms, along with supporting material to a [marine safety agency](#) who will process your application on AMSA's behalf.



or

Trainers

Our professional maritime trainers and assessors are qualified and experienced seafarers aboard a variety of commercial vessels. Our students are guaranteed a high level of education that combines traditional classroom teaching with practical, on board training

Course fees and duration

- \$1400
- Course duration is 4 days fulltime or over 2 weekends (dates on application)



How to apply

Please complete the commercial course booking form on our website. After receiving your booking form, we will then email you a booking confirmation with a request to pay a deposit to ensure your place on the course. If you need to cancel your course due to an emergency or work, be assured your course enrolment can be transferred to another date, course or person within a 12 month period.

Fee payment

A non-refundable deposit of \$500 is to be on enrolment to hold a place on the course. Course fees are due to be paid in full on course commencement. You can pay by credit card, cash or by electronic funds transfer. Instalment payment plans are available on request. Our bank details are: Sea School International BSB 062108 Account 10227798. Please add your surname to the reference line so we can identify your payment.

Certification

To receive the full qualification you must demonstrate competency in all units and, meet all course requirements including qualification of the required sea service.

If you don't achieve competency in some of the units, Sea School's [Not Yet Competent Assessment Policy](#) allows you to return to attend specified classes to re-sit training and/or assessments at no cost within a 12 month period. Should you not complete the whole course then you will receive a statement of attainment for the units you've completed.

Course structure

The GPH certificate is made up of 8 units of competency:

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- MARB001 Assist with routine maintenance of a vessel
- MARF001 Apply basic survival skills in the event of vessel abandonment
- MARF002 Follow procedures to minimise and fight fires on board a vessel
- MARF004 Meet work health and safety requirements
- MARF005 Survive at sea using survival craft
- MARG001 Work effectively as part of a crew on a vessel up to 80 metres
- MARN001 Apply general purpose hand skills aboard a vessel
- MARO001 Perform basic lookout duties

What to Bring

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| Identification: | Australian Drivers Licence, current passport or birth certificate |
| Clothing: | Casual clothes for Days 1, 2, 3, 4. |
| Footwear: | Deck shoes, joggers, sandals or work boots (NO THONGS) |
| Sea Survival Practical: | Spare set of clothes to wear after sea survival in water practical: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In-water sea survival clothing to include at least 4 or 5 top layers, such as 1 or 2 t-shirts, 2 long sleeve shirts, plus sweatshirt, collar on 1 or more shirts/sweatshirt; long warm pants such as jeans or track pants, thin tracks underneath or stockings OK• Warm beanie or hat; and NO jewellery; NO fluoro or reflective clothing; no wet suits or dive suits allowed.• Old footwear: sandals, dive or yacht booties, joggers or 3 pairs of socks.• Add a bottle of water, large towel, warm jacket, and strong large plastic bag for wet clothes |

Location, travel and accommodation

Sea School International is located at Princes Marina on Pittwater, Unit 14, 16 Princes Street, Newport on Sydney's Northern Beaches.

You may catch the L90 Bus from City Central to Palm Beach, alighting at the Newport Arms then it's an 8 minute walk to the Princes Street Marina. The trip takes approximately 1 hour depending on traffic, so please allow adequate travel time. If you get lost or you're late please call us on 0415 434 500.

If you're travelling from outside of Sydney and need accommodation, here are some useful links:

[Newport Mirage](#)

[Airbnb Newport](#)

Terms and conditions

Signing your enrolment form acknowledges your understanding of your rights, obligations and acceptance of Sea School's [terms and conditions](#). Sea School course costs, timetable, course content, policies and procedures are subject to changes without notice.