



Maritime and Coastguard Agency

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## **Written examination dates 2010/11: Deck and Engineer Officers (Merchant Navy)**

**Notice to all Owners, Masters, Officers and Seafarers in the Merchant Navy and to those involved in Maritime Training.**

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*This MIN expires 31 August 2011.*

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### **Summary**

This notice sets out the written examination dates for Merchant Navy Certificates of Competency for the academic years commencing 1 September 2010.

#### **1. Introduction/ Background**

- 1.1 The Annexes to this notice set out the pattern of written examinations for Certificates of Competency to be held in the academic year commencing 1 September 2010. The dates have been arranged following consultation with various representative organisations of the shipping industry. The examinations are administered by the Scottish Qualifications Authority (**SQA**), with the exception of the Officer in Charge of the Engineering Watch (III/1) which is administered by the International Association of Maritime Institutions (**IAMI**), on behalf of the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (**MCA**) and are held at their examination centres.
- 1.2 All oral examinations are conducted by the Agency's Examiners at MCA Marine Offices on an appointment basis.
- 1.3 The following Merchant Navy certificates are available under International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping 1978, as amended, (**STCW**):

#### *Deck department*

- a) Officer in Charge of a Navigational Watch <500gt near-coastal (STCW Reg. II/3)
- b) Officer in Charge of a Navigational Watch unlimited (STCW Reg. II/1)
- c) Chief Mate > 3000gt near-coastal (STCW Reg. II/2)
- d) Master or Chief Mate unlimited (STCW Reg. II/2)

#### *Engine Department*

- e) Officer in Charge of an Engineering Watch (STCW Reg. III/1)
- f) Second Engineer Officer < 3000 kW (STCW Reg. III/3)
- g) Second Engineer Officer unlimited (STCW Reg. III/2)
- h) Chief Engineer Officer unlimited (STCW Reg. III/2)

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## ANNEX

**DATES OF SQA/MCA DECK AND ENGINEER OFFICER EXAMINATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF COMPETENCY (EXAMINATION ROUTE)  
FROM 1 SEPTEMBER 2010 - 31 AUGUST 2011 - MERCHANT NAVY**

Month	Exam Start Date	Deck Officer				Engineer Officer				
		Chief Mate/ Master Unlimited (II/2)	Chief Mate >3000gt Near Coastal (II/2)	Officer in Charge of Navigational Watch Unlimited (II/1)	Officer in Charge of Navigational Watch <500gt Near Coastal (II/3)	Chief Engineer Unlimited (III/2)	Second Engineer Unlimited (III/2)	Second Engineer <3000kW (III/3)	Officer in Charge of Engineering Watch (III/1)	
									Engineering Knowledge	General Engineering Science
<b>2010</b>										
September	No examinations									
October	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>			X						
October	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>								X	
October	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>					X	X			X
November	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	X								
December	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	X								
December	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>			X						
December	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>			X						
December	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>								X	
December	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>					X	X			X
December	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>							X		
<b>2011</b>										
January	No examinations									
February	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>			X						
March	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>			X						
March	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>								X	
March	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>					X	X			X
March	Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	X						X		
April	No examinations									
May	No examinations									
June	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>			X						
July	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>		X		X					
July	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	X								
July	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	X								
July	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>			X						
July	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>			X					X	
July	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>					X	X			X
July	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>							X		