

Yacht Crew

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| Experience required prior training: | None |
| Certification required prior training: | None |
| Minimum age required: | 10 years old |
| Suggested number of training hours: | 20 hours (minimum 3 days) |
| Who can run the training: | ISSA Instructor or minimum Offshore Skipper |
| Who can do the examination: | ISSA Instructor or minimum Offshore Skipper |
| How to submit the application: | Only through authorized ISSA school |

Skills and knowledge required for a Yacht Crew

Yacht's construction

- ⤴ Knows the basic parts of yacht and what are they designed for:
 - Cockpit;
 - Bilge;
 - Heads;
 - Galley;
 - Bow;
 - Stern, aft etc.
 - Boom;
 - Mast;
 - Rigging;

Haulyards.

- ⤴ Can operate elementary yacht's systems:
 - Toilet;
 - Gas oven;
 - Sink;
 - Shower;
- ⤴ Can fill up the water and diesel tanks;
- ⤴ Can operate the inboard engine;
 - Start it;
 - Switch it off;
 - Check whether cooling system works;
 - Inspection before starting.

Line and spring handling

- ⤴ Can combine two lines of the same and different diameter;
- ⤴ Can make:
 - Bowline;
 - Fast a line on a cleat;
 - Fishermen's bend;
 - Coil mooring lines;
- ⤴ Can:
 - Hand over,
 - Take,
 - Make fast on cleat;
 - Let go mooring lines;
- ⤴ Can describe different ways of taking a mooring.

Handling sail sheets and halyards

- ⤴ Can:
 - Set and bring down the sails;
 - Reef down and shake off the reefs.

Handling fenders

- ⤴ Can:
 - Fix them by applying adequate knots:
 - effectively operate the manouvering fender:

Operating the anchor.

- ⤴ Can:
 - Prepare anchor for weighing (switches and controls)
 - Operate the windlass (letting out and taking in the chain)

Operating the dinghy.

- ⤴ Can:
 - Take the dinghy off the deck and pull it in onto the deck;
 - Secure the dinghy to the yacht;
 - Use paddles effectively;
 - Secure the dinghy to the deck.

Safety.

✦ Can:

- Safely move around the deck;
- Use the safety equipment;
- Use the distress signalling equipment (pirotechnics, mirror, flags etc.);
- Use the fire fighting equipment (fire extinguishers – with consideration of various types available, fire blanket);
- Apply various methods to make a distress signal (at least 4 methods).

Other skills

✦ Can:

- Keep observation of the sailing area and pass over information about the direction and distance to objects;
- Knows the lights of their own yacht in the night;
- Make adequate signals in fog (under sails, under power);
- Effectively hold the helm.