

# **CERTIFICATES OF COMPETENCY FOR ENGINEERS (YACHT)**

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**STCW 95 CHIEF ENGINEER (REG. III/3) – “YACHT 4”**

**057-02 OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES, BASIC HOTEL SERVICES  
AND SHIP CONSTRUCTION**

**FRIDAY, 24 OCTOBER 2008**

**1400 - 1600 hrs**

Examination paper inserts:

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Notes for the guidance of candidates:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Non-programmable calculators may be used.</li><li>2. All formulae used must be stated and the method of working and ALL intermediate steps must be made clear in the answer.</li></ol> |
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Materials to be supplied by examination centres

Candidate's examination workbook
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## OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES AND BASIC HOTEL SERVICES

Attempt ALL questions

Marks for each question are shown in brackets

1. (a) With reference to STCW:
- (i) state what the letters STCW represent; (1)  
Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping
  - (ii) state the meaning of the term *Whitelist*. (4)  
The White List is a list of countries that are properly implementing the most recent STCW Conventions.
- (b) With reference to hours of work and rest:
- (i) state the organisation which governs the UK requirements; (1)  
Health and Safety Executive (4)
  - (ii) state the minimum rest periods for a watchkeeper under normal conditions. (4)  
Minimum is 6 hours uninterrupted sleep in a 24hour period
2. (a) With reference to the record of defects, list FIVE parameters which can give guidance for future maintenance planning and dry dockings. (5)  
Megohmmeters for insulation  
Hour meters on engines (5)  
Engine trending  
Main Engine Performance Data  
Differential pressures on aftercoolers  
Megera readings  
Lube oil tests anyless and tests
- (b) State FIVE details listed in a machinery abstract associated with and relating to a main engine.
- 1. Main Engine Runnin Hours
  - 2. Peak pressures
  - 3. Jacket Water sample data
  - 4. Lube Oil anyless
  - 5. Peak Pressures for Main Engine
  - 6. Lube oil sampling
3. With reference to chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) and hydrochlorofluorocarbon (HCFC) refrigerant gases:
- (a) explain the difference between the two types of gases; (3)
- CFC are more dangerous to the environment due to the free radical Chlorine that is released when broken apart by UV radiation in the atmosphere. The UV radiation also breaks apart the ozone, which ends up in a free radical oxygen floating around. The Chlorine atom easily binds with the oxygen, which ends up in the reduction of available oxygen atoms for recombination to form ozone. (1)
- HCFC do not give up a free Chlorine atom as easily, so when they are broken apart by UV radiation, they do not 'consume' the solo Oxygen atoms. (2)

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(b) state the Marpol Annex number which prohibits their deliberate emission; (3)

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(c) state the name of the environmental treaty under which nations agreed to cut consumption and production of chlorofluorocarbons;

Montreal Protocol signed in Sept 16, 1987

(d) explain why deliberate emissions are prohibited;

Depletion of the ozone is a hazard to the health of the worlds environment

(e) explain how deliberate emissions are prevented when removing air from a refrigeration system.

The only proper way to remove air (atmosphere) from a refrigeration system is to recover the refrigerant using a gas recovery machine. The contaminated gas is then recycled at an appropriate location. The system can be charged with Nitrogen to ensure that all atmosphere has been removed from the system, as well as allowing for leak testing to be conducted more efficiently. Once the system has been proven to be secure and leak free, the system is brought down to a vacuum by the use of a vacuum machine. (Nitrogen can be released into the atmosphere, as it poses no environmental threat.) With the system in a vacuum, a proper charge of refrigerant gas can be loaded, atmosphere free.

4. With reference to fuel oil bunkering, storage and transfer, explain EACH of the following:

(a) what is meant by free surface effect in a partially filled tank and why it can be dangerous; (4)

The centre of gravity of a partially filled tank will alter the ships stability and can cause serious safety concerns. (3)

(b) why filling a tank completely full so that the fuel rises up the sounding pipe is inadvisable; (3)

This will end up in a head pressure on the tank and it can overstress the tank. This can cause the tank to rupture. Filling a tank full does not leave any room for expansion

(c) why an empty tank should be opened before a tank that is being filled is shut off.

To keep from over pressurizing the fuel line.

5. With reference to sewage treatment plants:

(a) explain the difference between *black water* and *grey water*; (2)

● Black water is from any toilet and any waste liquid discharge from the hospital goes into the black water. (3)

● Grey Water is waste water from any other source. Generally it includes sink disposal, laundry drains, air conditioning condensate, galley sinks and showers. (3)

In some systems, depending on local regulations, these systems can be treated as one system, with the (2)

(b) explain the difference between aerobic and anaerobic micro organisms;

Aerobic micro organisms needs oxygen

Anaerobic organisms do not need oxygen

(c) list THREE dangerous gases produced under anaerobic conditions;

Methane

Hydrogen Sulfide

## Ammonia

(d) explain the dangers of producing the gases listed in Q5(c) in a confined space.

Methane= explosive

Hydrogen Sulfide= is very toxic like Ammonia

Hydrogen Sulfide= corrosive

6. With reference to air conditioning systems:

(a) sketch a section through an Air Handling Unit; (5)

(b) state the safety regulations when an air trunking passes through a bulkhead and the safety devices fitted. (5)

Has to have a fire damper with a fusible link and be able to be closed manually. The damper system should also be well insulated from fire

7. Explain the action to be taken by the watchkeeping engineer in the event of EACH of the following:

(a) fire; (6)

- Raise the alarm

- Inform the bridge not a drill

- Attempt to be made to extinguish the fire by appropriate means

- Ventilation should be reduced, and adjacent materials removed to abate the spread of the fire

- If space is filling with noxious fumes, all personal not equipped with breathing apparatus should vacate the area.

- Once the fire is extinguished, caution should be taken against it re-igniting.

- Personal should not re-enter the space without breathing apparatus until the space is well ventilated

(b) grounding.

Enter in log book

Call bridge with notice of bump felt

Call extra hands

Survey entire ship for signs of leaks inboard and outboard

All tank levels logged

Observe overboard waters for signs of oil leaks

Engine Room surveyed for any abnormalities. Engine is hot, shafts bent, seals leaking

Discussion with master regarding what has happened

Machinery surveys need to be carried out

Surveys of ship inside/out should be done within another hour, and regular intervals within first 24 hours

A set of crank shaft deflections should be carried out at the earliest possible time.

8. Describe, with the aid of a sketch, a vacuum distillation plant. (10)

9. (a) Explain the SIX different classes of fire. (6)  
A-Combustibles  
B-Boiling Liquids (3)  
C-Boiling Gasses  
D-Metals  
E-Electrical (1)  
F-Fats/Oils
- (b) List the THREE primary extinguishing methods.  
Removing Oxygen  
Breaking Chemical Reaction  
Cooling
- (c) State the danger associated with using large amounts of water to extinguish a fire on board ship.  
Changes the stability of the vessel
10. With reference to the materials used in the construction of hulls:
- (a) state FIVE advantages of using fibre reinforced plastic (FRP); (5)  
No dissimilar metal issues  
Lightweight (2)  
Raw materials are inexpensive  
Low skilled workforce (3)  
High strength to weight ratio  
Doesn't have to be painted
- (b) state TWO advantages of using aluminium;  
Light weight  
It's easy to work with
- (c) state THREE advantages of using steel.  
Low cost of purchase  
Low cost of production  
Easily available world wide