

# Seafarer Licensing

## GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS: SECOND MATE FOREIGN GOING (CLASS 3 DECK OFFICER)

### **Please note - Calculation of Sea Service:**

- *A period of sea service is to be reckoned by the calendar month.*
- *A period of sea service is to be calculated from the date of engagement to the date of discharge from the ship, with both the engagement and discharge days counting as full days.*
- *Days in excess of full months may be added together and counted towards sea service with 30 days being considered one month, 360 days is considered one year.*
- *Have you completed at least 12 months sea service in the last 10 years on commercial trading ships of 500 gross tonnes or more?*

For further information refer to Maritime Rule Part 32 Ship's Personnel – Qualifications (32.17). Available on the Maritime New Zealand website - [www.maritimenz.govt.nz](http://www.maritimenz.govt.nz) - under Rules.

In addition to completing an approved course of study and passing a Maritime NZ approved oral exam, to be eligible for the issue of a Certificate of Competency as Second Mate F.G. a person must satisfy the following:

### 1.

- Are you 19 years of age or more? Yes  No
- Have you completed at least 12 months sea service in the last ten years on commercial trading ships of 500 gross tonnes or more and an Maritime NZ approved training course for deck officers? Yes  No
- Have you served at least six months as understudy of the officer in charge of a navigational watch on trading ships of 500 Gross tonnes or more? **Must be correctly documented.** Yes  No

### OR 2.

- Have you completed 24 months sea service on commercial trading ships of 500 gross tonnes or more (12 months in the past 10 years) and a Maritime NZ approved correspondence course together with a trainee deck officer record book? Yes  No
- Have you served at least six months as understudy of the officer in charge of a navigational watch on trading ships of 500 gross tonnes or more? **Must be correctly documented.** Yes  No

### OR 3.

- Have you completed 30 months sea service, including at least 12 months on commercial trading ships of 500 gross tonnes or more (12 months being in the past ten years), and a Maritime NZ approved correspondence course or a trainee deck officer record book? Yes  No
- Have you completed six months sea service in the Royal New Zealand Navy as a Commanding Officer or Executive Officer on non-warships, which may be considered by Maritime NZ to fulfill the requirement of the one-year qualifying service on commercial trading vessels? Yes  No
- Have you served at least six months as understudy of the officer in charge of a navigational watch on trading ships of 500 gross tonnes or more? **Must be correctly documented.** Yes  No

### OR 4.

- Have you completed 36 months sea service (12 months being in the past ten years) and at least 12 months on commercial trading vessels of 500 gross tonnes or more? At least six months must have been served as understudy of the officer in charge of a navigational watch on trading ships of 500 gross tonnes or more and **must be correctly documented.** Yes  No

- Have you completed six months sea service in the Royal New Zealand Navy as Commanding Officer or Executive Officer on non-warships, which may be considered by Maritime NZ to fulfill the requirement of the one-year qualifying service on commercial trading vessels? Yes  No

If you have answered 'yes' to one or more questions on this page then you may meet the sea service requirements for this particular qualification.

***If you are uncertain as to whether the nature or duration of your sea service meets Maritime NZ's requirements, you may contact the Maritime NZ Head Office and seek a formal assessment of your sea time by a Maritime NZ examiner. A fee may apply for this assessment.***

A formal application must be submitted to Maritime NZ along with substantiating evidence to determine eligibility for this qualification. Full details are on the application form that can be downloaded at [www.maritimenz.govt.nz](http://www.maritimenz.govt.nz)

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#### **DISCLAIMER**

This form is intended to be a guide only. Completion of this form does not indicate any entitlement to any certificate or qualification issued under Rule Part 32 Ship's Personnel – Qualifications. Actual eligibility for a certificate can only be determined after verification of existing qualifications and extent of sea service.

