



RYA POWERBOAT ADVANCED - EXAM

Overview

The RYA Advanced Powerboat Exam: Aims to enable you to achieve a Certificate of Competence awarded by the RYA/MCA on successful completion of an exam.

The successful completion of exam is required if you want to commercially endorse an RYA/MCA Powerboat Advanced Certificate of Competence. The only exception to this is if you were awarded a course completion certificate prior to 1 January 2005, in which case you may obtain a commercial endorsement without having to pass the exam.

The exam is conducted by an external examiner, this can be arranged through Seagrass Marine but should be paid for directly through RYA, the current fee (2021) is £193 per participant. Please contact us to discuss your requirements.

Seagrass Marine can provide our vessel Seagrass Pogsea, a fully coded 6 metre Humber Destroyer Rigid Hulled Inflatable Boat (RHIB) for you to use for your exam, however you can also use any suitable and insured boat – please contact us to discuss your requirements. Please note, candidates should be familiar with all the equipment on board the vessel, as you may be asked to use this during the examination and it is recommended that you have completed the Advanced - Certificate of Completion on the boat you wish to complete your Exam on.

COMMERCIAL ENDORSEMENT

If you need your Certificate of Competence in order to work on board a commercial craft subject the MCA's codes of practice, you will need to get it commercially endorsed.

Once successfully commercially endorsed, you can then work on commercial vessels up to 24m in length, operating in category 3, 4, 5 and 6 waters - that is up to 20 miles from a safe haven.

BEFORE YOU BOOK

Before you book your exam please check that you:

1. Can provide a boat (we can hire our boat for this purpose)
2. Have completed the required mileage and experience as skipper
3. Hold a VHF Radio Operators License or Short Range Certificate
4. Hold a valid first aid certificate
5. Have read the syllabus in RYA publication G20
6. Have read and comply with the pre-requisites below

ADVANCED POWERBOAT EXAM PRE-REQUISITES	
MINIMUM AGE	17 years at time of exam
MINIMUM SEA TIME	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Documented minimum sea time completed on a seagoing powerboat in the last 10 years: • 30 days at sea, which may be reduced to 20 days at sea if an RYA Advanced Powerboat course completion certificate is held • 2 days as skipper • 800 miles which may be reduced to 400 miles if an RYA Advanced Powerboat Course completion certificate is held • 12 night hours
CERTIFICATION REQUIRED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A GMDSS compliant Marine Radio Operator's Certificate such as the RYA Short Range Certificate or higher • An RYA First Aid Certificate or another valid first aid certificate, as detailed on the RYA website. • Advanced Powerboat course completion certificate ONLY IF claiming reduced sea time detailed above.

Please get in touch to discuss your requirements


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