



# **MARITIME INSTITUTE INC.**

Maritime Training Center

## **BASIC REQUIREMENTS FOR LOWER LEVEL LICENSES/CREDENTIALS**

**You must be able to document the required number of days for the license/credential you are seeking. AND 90 DAYS OF THE REQUIRED SEATIME MUST HAVE BEEN WITHIN THE LAST THREE YEARS**

**OPERATOR OF UNINSPECTED PASSENGER VESSELS (6 passengers or less)** you must be at least 18 years old. You must be able to document at least **360 days of experience** in operation of a vessel. 90 days of the 360 days must be on ocean or near coastal waters or the license will be limited to inland waters only. The license will be limited to vessels of less than 100 gross tons. If you are **NOT** a U.S. Citizen you can receive this license **BUT** your tonnage may be limited to vessels of 5 Gross Tons or less.

**TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING LICENSES/CREDENTIALS YOU MUST BE A U.S. CITIZEN**

**MATE, Near Coastal:** You must be 19 years old. You must be able to document at least **360 days of experience** in operation of a vessel, at least 180 of these days must be on ocean or near coastal waters.

**MASTER, Inland, Not More Than 100 GT** You must be 19 years old. You must be able to document at least **360 days of experience** in operation of vessels on any waters. License will be limited to inland waters. Endorsement for Sail or Auxiliary Sail is available with 180 days of Sail or Auxiliary Sail time (may be the same or part of the 360 days).

**TONNAGE CALCULATIONS,** The tonnage of the license you receive is determined by the USCG. Here is the basic calculation of the seatime:

**100 GRT** – 90 days of service on vessels of 51 GRT or above, **OR** 180 days of service on vessels of 34 GRT or above  
**50 GRT** – 90 days of service on vessels of 25 GRT or above **OR** 180 days of service on vessels of 17GRT or above.  
**25 GRT** – All service is on vessels of 16 GRT or less

**MASTER, Near Coastal, Not More Than 100 GT** You must be 19 years old. You must be able to document at least **720 days of experience** in operation of a vessel. 360 days of the 720 must be on near coastal waters. The endorsement for Sail or Auxiliary Sail is available with 360 days of Sail or Auxiliary Sail time (may be the same or part of the 720 days).

**TONNAGE CALCULATIONS,** The tonnage of the license you receive is determined by the USCG. Here is the basic calculation of seatime:

**100 GRT** – 180 days of service on vessels of 51 GRT or above, **OR** 360 days of service on vessels of 34 GRT or above  
**50 GRT** – 180 days of service on vessels of 26 GRT or above **OR** 360 days of service on vessels of 17GRT or above.  
**25 GRT** – All service is on vessels of 16 GRT or less



**IF YOU STARTED YOUR TRAINING (SERVICE) BEFORE MARCH 24, 2014 YOU CAN REQUEST YOUR APPLICATION BE EVALUATED UNDER THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES THAT WERE IN EFFECT THEN.**

**INLAND TONNAGE CALCULATIONS,** The tonnage of the license you receive is determined by the USCG. Here is the basic calculation of the seatime:

**100 GRT** – 90 days of service on vessels of 51 GRT or above, **OR** 180 days of service on vessels of 34 GRT or above  
**50 GRT** – **1 DAY OF SERVICE ON VESSELS OVER 5 GRT.**  
**25 GRT** – All service is on vessels of 5 GRT or less

**NEAR COASTAL TONNAGE CALCULATIONS,** The tonnage of the license you receive is determined by the USCG. Here is the basic calculation of the seatime:

**100 GRT** – 180 days of service on vessels of 51 GRT or above, **OR** 360 days of service on vessels of 34 GRT or above  
**50 GRT** – **1 DAY OF SERVICE ON VESSELS OVER 5 GRT.**  
**25 GRT** – All service is on vessels of 5 GRT or less



**ALL ABOVE INFORMATION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANY TIME AND WITHOUT NOTICE. LICENSES ARE EVALUATED AND ISSUED ACCORDING TO THE U.S. COAST GUARD'S DISCRETION.**