



Marine Personnel Regulations Requirements for Small non-Pleasure Vessels
General

Section 211 of the *Marine Personnel Regulations* requires that every vessel that is required to carry an inspection certificate is also required to carry a Safe Manning Document, setting out the numbers of crew and their qualifications.

Section 9 of the *Vessel Certificate Regulations* specifies that the following vessels must carry Canadian Vessel Inspection Certificates:

- Vessels of 15 gross tonnage or less that carry more than 12 passengers
- Vessels of more than 15 gross tonnage
- Pleasure craft and commercial river rafts are exempt.

The operator certification requirements for vessels not required to carry a Safe Manning Document are set out below.

Master / Operator Requirements

The following table shows the operator requirements according to section 212 of the *Marine Personnel Regulations* for vessels ≤ 15 GT operating in certain areas.

Vessel		Near Coastal 1	Near Coastal 2 (NC2)		Sheltered Waters
			> 2 Nm. from shore	≤ 2 Nm. from shore	
Passenger-Carrying Vessels (≤12 passengers)	> 5 GT	Master 150 GT (Domestic) (if endorsed for limited, contiguous waters)	Limited Master < 60 GT	Limited Master < 60 GT	Limited Master < 60 GT
	≤ 5 GT and > 8m		SVOP (Small Vessel Operator Proficiency)	SVOP (Small Vessel Operator Proficiency)	SVOP (Small Vessel Operator Proficiency)
	> 6 passengers and ≤ 8 m		SVOP (Small Vessel Operator Proficiency)	SVOP (Small Vessel Operator Proficiency)	SVOP (Small Vessel Operator Proficiency)
	≤ 6 passengers and ≤ 8 m		SVOP (Small Vessel Operator Proficiency)	SVOP (Small Vessel Operator Proficiency)	PCOC (Pleasure Craft Operator Card)
Workboats	> 5 GT	Master 150 GT (Domestic) (if endorsed for limited, contiguous waters)	Limited Master < 60 GT	Limited Master < 60 GT	Limited Master < 60 GT
	≤ 5 GT and > 8m (except tugs)		SVOP (Small Vessel Operator Proficiency)	SVOP (Small Vessel Operator Proficiency)	SVOP (Small Vessel Operator Proficiency)
	≤ 8m (except tugs)		SVOP (Small Vessel Operator Proficiency)	PCOC (Pleasure Craft Operator Card)	
	Tugs		Limited Master < 60 GT	Limited Master < 60 GT	Limited Master < 60 GT
Fishing Vessels	> 15 GT	FM 4 (Fishing Master Class 4) or Certificate of Service < 60 GT	FM 4 or Certificate of Service < 60 GT	FM 4 or Certificate of Service < 60 GT	FM 4 or Certificate of Service < 60 GT
	≤ 15 GT		SVOP (Small Vessel Operator Proficiency)	PCOC (Pleasure Craft Operator Card)	

This table is for the convenience of users. If any discrepancy is found between the *Marine Personnel Regulations* and the table, the Regulations shall prevail.

Implementation dates for the table are as follows

Les dates de mise en vigueur des prescriptions du tableau ci-dessous sont les suivantes:

Workboat (including tugs) / Bateau de travail (incluant remorqueurs)	≤ 10 GT	Nov 7, 2010
Passenger-carrying vessel / Bâtiments à passagers	≤ 5 GT or ≤ 8m	Nov 7, 2009

Implementation dates for fishing vessels

Dates de mise en vigueur pour les bâtiments de pêche:

jaugé brute ≤ 60 Gross Tonnage and / et > 15m	Nov 7, 2008
≤ 15m and / et > 14m	Nov 7, 2009
≤ 14m and / et > 13m	Nov 7, 2010
≤ 13m and / et > 12m	Nov 7, 2012
≤ 12m and / et > 6m	Nov 7, 2015
≤ 6m	Nov 7, 2016

All other operators must comply with the requirements on the coming into force of the regulations.

Tous les autres utilisateurs doivent se conformer aux exigences du Règlement lors de sa mise en vigueur.

Note—A fishing vessel operator who has 7 seasons as master, before the coming into force of the regulations, with no two seasons in the same year, does not require a **Small Vessel Operator proficiency Certificate** or **Pleasure Craft Operator Card** to operate a fishing vessel ≤ 15 GT in Near Coastal Class 2 or Sheltered Waters.

Nota—Un utilisateur de bâtiment de pêche qui a été capitaine pendant 7 saisons avant la mise en vigueur du Règlement, sans que ces deux saisons soient dans la même année, n'est pas tenu de détenir un **certificat de formation de conducteur de petits bâtiments** ou la **carte de conducteur d'embarcation de plaisance** pour utiliser un bâtiment de pêche d'une jauge brute de 15 tonnes ou moins lors de voyages dans des eaux abritées ou à proximité du littoral, classe 2.

Certification and training of complement on a Small Fishing Vessel

	Unlimited		NC1		NC2, >2NM and ≤ 25 NM from nearest shore		NC2, ≤2NM from nearest shore		SW	
0 to 15 GT or not more than 12m overall length	Master /Operator	FM1 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC	SVOP ROC-M Record of Sea Service	PCOC ROC-M Record of Sea Service	PCOC Record of sea service	PCOC Record of sea service			
	Officer in charge of the deck watch	FM3 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	SVOP ROC-M Record of sea service	PCOC ROC-M Record of sea service	PCOC Record of sea service				
	Rating	MED A1 Record of sea service	MED A1 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service	PCOC Record of sea service	PCOC Record of sea service				
More than 15 GT and 12m overall length, but less than 60 GT	Master /Operator	FM1 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM4 Medical Record of sea service				
	Officer in charge of the deck watch	FM3 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM4 Medical Record of sea service				
	Rating	MED A1 Record of sea service	MED A1 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service				
[>15 & 12m - <60GT]	Master /Operator	FM1 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM4 Medical Record of sea service				
	Officer in charge of the deck watch	FM3 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM4 Medical Record of sea service				
	Rating	MED A1 Record of sea service	MED A1 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service				
More than 60 GT, but less than 100 GT	Master /Operator	FM1 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM4 Medical Record of sea service				
	Officer in charge of the deck watch	FM3 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM4 Medical Record of sea service				
	Rating	MED A1 Record of sea service	MED A1 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service				
[≥60 – 100 GT]	Master /Operator	FM1 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM3 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM3 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM3 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM3 Medical Record of sea service				
	Officer in charge of the deck watch	FM3 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical Record of sea service				
	Rating	MED A1 Record of sea service	MED A1 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service				
More than 100GT, but not more than 150GT	Master /Operator	FM1 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM3 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM3 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM3 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM3 Medical Record of sea service				
	Officer in charge of the deck watch	FM3 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical Record of sea service				
	Rating	MED A1 Record of sea service	MED A1 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service				
[≥100 GT to 150GT]	Master /Operator	FM1 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM3 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM3 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM3 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM3 Medical Record of sea service				
	Officer in charge of the deck watch	FM3 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-M Record of sea service	FM4 Medical ROC-MC Record of sea service	FM4 Medical Record of sea service				
	Rating	MED A1 Record of sea service	MED A1 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service	MED A3 Record of sea service				

Note 1: Person designated to provide first aid to hold appropriate training first aid

Note 2: All crew must have completed on-board familiarization training

Note 3: Certificates of Service Certificates or other Certificates valid for the capacity and voyage as per MSE Policy may be used in place of the certificates mentioned in the above table.