

South African Maritime Safety Authority



Marine Notice No. 17 of 2008

National Certificates of Competence for skippers trained by the SAPS Water Wing Division

TO THE SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE SERVICE WATER WING DIVISION, SAMS
REGISTRAR OF SEAFARERS, EXAMINERS AND PRINCIPAL OFFICERS

Marine Circular No.4 of 2007 is cancelled

Summary

This marine notice recognizes the training program for small vessel skippers conducted by the SAPS water wing training institution as satisfying the requirements for the issue of an appropriate certificate of competence in terms of the *Merchant Shipping (National Small Vessel Safety) Regulations, 2007*.

1 SAMSA has evaluated the current Water Wing training program, which includes the practical(sea service) component, and established that it meets national standards in terms of regulation 16 (1)(a)(ii) of the *Merchant Shipping (National Small Vessel Safety) Regulations, 2007*

2 The training program covers the following categories:

- § **Day Skipper category E:** Day Skipper of a power driven vessel 9 metres or less in length up to 1 nautical mile offshore along the coast of South Africa
- § **Day Skipper category C:** Day Skipper of a power driven vessel 9 metres or less in length up to 15 nautical miles offshore along the coast of South Africa.
- § **Day Skipper category B:** Day Skipper of a power driven vessel 9 metres or less in length up to 40 nautical miles offshore along the coast of South Africa.

3 A candidate for the issue of any of the above mentioned small vessel certificates of competence, together with their associated endorsements, must meet the following minimum service criteria in addition to the internal entry requirements that have been put in place by the Water Wing training institution:

§ **Day Skipper category E**

- (i) Candidate must have successfully passed the SAPS vessel handling course; and
- (ii) Must have 40 logged hours onboard a SAPS vessel as crew of which 10 hours must be at night.

§ **Day Skipper category C**

- (i) Candidate must have successfully passed the SAPS vessel handling course Category C, Module 1;
- (ii) Must have 70 logged hours onboard a SAPS vessel as handler of which 20 hours must be at night and 10 hours onboard a tiller arm driven outboard engine; and

- (iii) Candidate must have 6 hours as vessel handler during diving operations.

§ Day skipper category B

- (i) Candidate must have successfully passed the SAPS vessel handling course Category C, Module 2;
- (ii) Must have 100 logged hours onboard a SAPS vessel as handler of which 25 hours must be at night and 10 hours onboard a tiller arm outboard engine; and
- (iii) Candidate must have 10 hours as vessel handler during diving operations.

4 For night, dive and surf launch endorsement supporting documentation shall be provided by the Water Wing official attesting to the applicant having completed such courses, taking into consideration that:

§ **Surf launch:** Area to be specified i.e. South and East Coast or South and West Coast.

5 For police vessels equipped with liferafts, candidates must also complete, as appropriate the Water Wing liferaft course as approved by SAMSA.

6 The application procedure is as follows:

Applicants must provide the following—

- (a) A certificate of pass from the Water Wing training institution attended in 2007 or later containing the following information:
 - (i) the candidates full name, SAPS force number and Identity number;
 - (ii) the course rotation number and examination date;
 - (iii) a clear description of the course which the candidate has passed; and
 - (iv) the name and signature of the course presenter and national commissioner of the SAPS.

OR

- (b) A testimonial from a relevant Water Wing official attesting to the applicants continued and equivalent competency in the case of applicants who attended earlier Water Wing courses.(if the Water Wing considers that the applicant requires a refresher course, then must be done before application);
- (c) A copy or the applicants Identity document;
- (d) 2 ID photos;
- (e) An eyesight test certificate issued by a qualified optometrist;
- (f) A medical certificate issued by a qualified doctor; and
- (g) Payment or proof of payment of the relevant fee for the issue of a certificate of competence, and have a minimum age of 18 years.

7 Completed examination papers and results of practical examinations must be kept for at least 5 years; for audit purposes.

8 All applications must go through the Water Wing training institution course official and be certified as correct by that official. They are then submitted to any SAMSA office where an appointed examiner shall assess the application and issue an interim certificate pertaining to that application.

9 The Registrar of Seafarers may issue any one of the above mentioned small vessel certificate of competence on the basis of certification issued by the Water Wing training institution, where the requirements detailed in this marine notice have been met.

10 An application for an equivalent certificate must be in accordance with the form in Annex 1. Examples of the form of the national certificates are given in Annex 2 for category E, Annex 3 for category C, Annex 4 for category B. The Water Wing certificate of pass is shown as Annex 5.

11 SAMSА may interview any candidate for the issue of any of the certificates covered by this marine notice.

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ANNEX 1

APPLICATION TO THE REGISTRAR FOR THE ISSUE OF A NATIONAL SMALL VESSEL CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCY

A PERSONAL PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT

Surname:

First Names:

Height: Eye Colour: Hair Colour:

Permanent Address: Postal Address

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Telephone No.'s (H) (W) (Cell)

APPLICATIONS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE FOLLOWING SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

	* Day Skipper Category E / C / B
Copy of ID Document	X
2x Photos	X
SAPS medical certificate	X
Eye test (qualified optometrist)	X
Testimonial or Certificate of Pass	X

* Indicate Category as appropriate.

I hereby certify that I have checked the applicant's details and audited the documents provided by the candidate and am satisfied that the requirements of the marine notice detailing the agreement between SAMSA and the SAPS Water Wing department have been met, and that the particulars contained therein are correct,

Signature Printed name Date

Water Wing Official

Issued at: this day of

B FOR SAMSA OFFICE USE ONLY

Fee received: Receipt No.: Date:

C CERTIFICATE BY SAMSA EXAMINER

This is to certify that I have audited the documents provided by the candidate and the Water Wing and am satisfied that the approved training programme has been completed and that the particulars contained herein are correct.

The candidate qualifies for the certificate of competence as skipper of a small vessel, as set out below:

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Additional endorsements:

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Singed at on this day of

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(Signature of examiner)

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NAME

Datum uitgereik:

ANNEX 2

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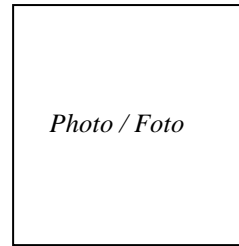
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Sertifikaat Nr.

**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA
REPUBLIEK VAN SUID-AFRIKA**

**CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE
BEKWAAMHEIDSERTIFIKAAT**

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1. *Issued to: / Uitgereik aan:* **NON SUCH PERSON**
(Full names and surname) / Volle voorname en van)
2. *Identity No: / Identiteitsnommer:* **5559 5559 555**
3. *Type and category of vessel (or vessels) involved: / Tipe en kategorie van betrokke vaartuig of vaartuie:*
CATEGORY E VESSEL ≤ 9m
4. *Level of Competency and limitations (if any) / Vlak van Bekwaamheid en beperkings (indien enige)*
DAY SKIPPER OF A POWER DRIVEN VESSEL LIMITED TO ONE NAUTICAL MILE FROM SHORE; PROCEEDING TO SEA FROM A COMMERCIAL HARBOUR, FISHING HARBOUR OR A PROTECTED LAUNCH SITE
5. *Additional Endorsements (if any) / Addisionele Endossemments (indien enige)*
 - 5.1 **COMPETENT TO ACT AS SKIPPER OF A VESSEL ENGAGED IN DIVING OPERATIONS, RESTRICTED TO POLICE VESSELS ONLY**
 - 5.2 **COMPETENT TO CARRY OUT NIGHT OPERATIONS, RESTRICTED TO POLICE VESSELS ONLY**
6. *Examination Authority / Eksamenowerheid*
SAPS WATER WING DIVISION
7. *It is hereby certified that the above named person has been tested and found to have the required sense of responsibility and standard of knowledge and experience to act as skipper of the vessel(s) described in this certificate. / Dit word hiermee gesertifiseer dat die bogenoemde persoon getoets is en beskik oor die nodige verantwoordelikeheidsin en standaard van kennis en ondervinding om op te tree as skipper van die vaartuig of vaartuie soos beskryf in hierdie sertifikaat.*
8. *Any inquiries regarding this certificate can be directed to THE REGISTRAR OF SEAFARERS, SAMSA, P.O. Box 13186, HATFIELD 0028. Tel: +27 12 366 2600, Fax: +27 12 366 2601 / Enige navrae aangaande hierdie sertifikaat kan gerig word aan DIE REGISTRATEUR VAN SEEVAARDERS, SAMVO, Posbus 13186, HATFIELD, 0028, TEL: +27 12 366 2600, Faks: +27 12 366 2601*

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For CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SAMSA
Namens HOOF UITVOERENDEBEAMPTTE: SAMVO

Datum uitgereik:

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DAY SKIPPER OF A POWER DRIVEN VESSEL LIMITED TO 15 NAUTICAL MILES FROM SHORE; PROCEEDING TO SEA FROM A COMMERCIAL HABOUR, FISHING HABOUR, OR A PROTECTED LAUNCH SITE.
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*South African Police Service
Suid-Afrikaanse Polisie*

*This is to certify that
Hiermee word gesertifiseer dat*

0432204-5 INSPECTOR N. DE JAGER

*number
nommer*

6407025090003

*has successfully completed the following course
die volgende kursus suksesvol voltooi het
and passed the following subjects / modules:
en die volgende vakke / modules geslaag het:*

**CATEGORY B: SKIPPER COASTAL VESSELS
LESS THAN 9M OPERATING MORE THAN 15
NAUTICAL MILES BUT NOT MORE THAN 40
NAUTICAL MILE FROM SHORE.**

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SA POLISIEDIENS

CAPTAIN

S.D. EVANS

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G.E. LEACH

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Datum

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