



RYA Shorebased Courses

Whether you are new to sailing or have years of experience, these courses will ensure you go to sea with more knowledge, more confidence and more capable of handling unforeseen situations.

The courses complement our full range of RYA practical sailing, motor cruising and powerboating programmes.

RYA G15 booklet provides comprehensive details of syllabus and guidance on experience required.

Current dates and prices are available from our website www.ambitionsailing.com

Alternatively please email us on enquiries@ambitionsailing.com or call us on 01253 853075 or 07977 459671. We will be pleased to hear from you and answer your questions.

Please visit the website for comprehensive details of all our training, holiday and corporate activities.

Format & Benefits



- Courses are offered in Hamble and Lancashire
- Our shorebased formats offer you a compact and efficient approach to minimise time away from work. Two options are available - Five consecutive days including a weekend or a two day weekend plus a three day weekend
- Lunch, refreshments, RYA student pack, chart plotter simulator, course notes, and use of navigation equipment are included in all prices
- A low student/instructor ratio means a maximum of 9 RYA students on each course – compare this with night school courses!
- All our shorebased instructors are also qualified practical instructors – and so are able to discuss the theory in practical terms – not always the case elsewhere! They are also chosen for their ability to impart knowledge in a fun and informative way – your feedback confirms this to be the case!
- Group bookings of four people attract a 5% discount and flexibility regarding course dates
- **Premier** courses (Lancashire only) are ideal for 'get away from it all' concentrated learning. A maximum class size of 3 students is guaranteed and fully residential accommodation and high quality catering ensure that you learn in comfort in an ideal environment!

Day Skipper



5 Days

Aim

The course provides a comprehensive introduction to Chartwork, navigation, meteorology and the basics of seamanship for competent crew. This course is invaluable for those wishing to learn how to make decisions on board.

Features

PC based chart plotter simulators are used as teaching aids and videos are used to help assimilate key learning points

Syllabus

- Nautical terms
- Ropework
- Anchorwork
- Safety
- International regulations for preventing collisions at sea
- Definition of position, course and speed
- Navigational charts and publications
- Navigational drawing instruments
- Compass
- Chartwork
- Tides and tidal streams
- Visual aids to navigation
- Meteorology
- Passage planning
- Navigation in restricted visibility
- Pilotage
- Marine environment

Coastal Skipper / Yachtmaster



5 days

Aim

This is an advanced course in navigation and meteorology for candidates prior to the Coastal Skipper and Yachtmaster Offshore certificate. The assumed level of knowledge before starting this course is the Day Skipper. Shorebased syllabus

Features

PC based chart plotter simulators are used as teaching aids and videos are used to help assimilate key learning points

Syllabus

- Position
- The magnetic compass
- Tides
- Tidal streams
- Buoyage
- Lights
- Pilotage
- GPS and chart plotters
- Echo sounders
- Logs (speed and distance measuring)
- Deck log
- Meteorology
- Rules of the road
- Safety at sea
- Navigation in restricted visibility
- Passage planning
- Marine environment

Yachtmaster Ocean



5 days

Aim

This is a course in astro-navigation and worldwide meteorology which also reveals the mysteries of the sextant! It assumes a knowledge of all subjects covered in the other shorebased courses

Features

The course is available by arrangement in the Portsmouth area

Ocean qualifying passages may be arranged on request

Syllabus

- The earth and the celestial sphere
- The PZX triangle
- The sextant
- Measurement of time
- Meridian attitudes
- Sun, star and other sights
- Compass checking
- Satellite navigation systems
- Great circle sailing
- Meteorology
- Passage planning
- Passage making
- Communications

What next?



These shorebased courses are complimented by a series of specialist one day courses run in Hamble

- Sea Survival
- First Aid
- VHF SRC
- Diesel Engine
- Radar
- Yacht Maintenance

Practical sailing, motor cruising and powerboating courses are also available from beginner to Yachtmaster / Advanced levels.

Our unique RYA/MCA Yachtmaster exam prep approach and support activities have produced first class results. Call us for details!

To develop your skills and extend your experience, Ambition Sailing also offers a wide range of holiday and racing activities throughout the year in the UK, Mediterranean and Caribbean.

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the complete experience!