



## Marine Order 70 Certificate of Safety Training (COST)

The following provides a summary of the requirements for a Certificate of Safety Training (COST). This certificate is issued under Marine Order 70 (Seafarer certification) 2014 made under the Navigation Act 2012.

### How do I get this certificate?

To obtain a **COST**, you will need to:

- Complete the Basic Safety Training course, which includes
  - Security Awareness Training.
  - Personal Survival Techniques.
  - Fire Prevention and Fire Fighting.
  - Elementary First Aid.
  - Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities.

### How do I keep this certificate?

To revalidate your certificate you must:

- Have completed **one** of the following:
  - At least 12 months sea service in the 5 years before applying to revalidate, or
  - At least 3 months in the 6 months before applying to revalidate.

### On completion of the seagoing service, you should:

- Obtain a letter(s) from your employer(s) confirming sea service and stating that you have actively participated in the mandatory abandon ship and fire drills required by SOLAS as well as scheduled drills required by the on board Safety Management System. A copy of the letter should be submitted with the application (you should keep the original).
- Complete continued competence training for the STCW short courses in Fire Fighting and Fire Prevention (Basic Fire Fighting) and Personal Survival Techniques in the previous 5 years (refer to MO 73, Schedule 4).

*Please note: There are three types of continued competence courses. Please ensure you complete the continued competence for COST holders.*

If you **DO NOT HAVE** at least the specified seagoing service mentioned above, you will be required to complete the STCW short courses Fire Fighting and Fire Prevention (Basic Fire Fighting) and Personal Survival Techniques in full.

**For revalidation of a COST only AMSA will accept service on facilities operating in a marine environment.** Examples of facilities accepted for revalidation of a COST are oil rigs, barges, non-propelled accommodation barges, and accommodation vessels berthed in a port, provided the applicant provides evidence that they attended regular drills and emergency exercises. The applicant will still need to provide evidence of 3 months service in the last 6 months or 12 months in the last 5 years.

### How to apply for a COST - Initial Issue / Revalidation (select as required)

#### Lodge an application at Australia Post:

- Complete a Certificate of competency application form 419 online or download a pdf version and then complete it.
- Complete all sections of the form.
- Download a pdf version of the form to generate your barcode.
- Print the form.
- Attach copies of all required documents.
- Sign the declaration.
- Submit your application and pay a fee at an AMSA-contracted Australia Post outlet.
- Provide proof of identity when you lodge your application.

AMSA may request reasonable evidence to confirm or verify any of the information provided as part of the application.

**Please note:**

- All certificates and training must comply with STCW.
  - All training courses and training programs must be approved by AMSA.
  - All sea service must be documented qualifying sea service.
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## Progress of application

If you submit an incomplete application, AMSA will contact you for further information. If you fail to provide the requested information within 60 days, AMSA will consider and decide your application on the information available. This may result in AMSA deciding to cancel the application.

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## More Information

Seafarer Certification Guidance containing additional information on CoC, sea service requirements and task books, can be obtained from the AMSA website at [www.amsa.gov.au](http://www.amsa.gov.au).

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