



Marine Order 73 – Certificate of Proficiency Integrated Rating

The following provides a summary of the requirements for an Integrated Rating Certificate of Proficiency (CoP). This certificate is issued under Marine Order 70 (Seafarer certification) 2014 and Marine Order 73 (Ratings) 2014, made under the Navigation Act 2012.

What will I be able to do with this certificate? You will be able to perform the duties of:

- ✓ **Integrated Rating** on ships of any size in any operating area

How do I get this certificate?

To obtain an **Integrated Rating CoP**, you will need to:

- Complete **one** of the following:
 - At least 9 months qualified sea service (QSS), of which at least 5 months as a Rating forming part of a navigational watch and engine-room watch on an appropriate ship, or
 - At least 6 months QSS while holding a CoP as an Able Seafarer – Deck on an appropriate ship as an Engine Room Rating trainee, or
 - At least 6 months QSS while holding a CoP as an Able Seafarer – Engine on an appropriate ship as a Deck Rating trainee and with a Steering Certificate.
- Complete an AMSA approved course of study that includes vocational training from an AMSA approved registered training organisation for an AMSA Integrated Rating.
- Complete the following approved STCW short course:
 - Basic Safety Training, which includes Security Awareness Training.
- Hold the following valid certificates:
 - CoP in Survival Craft and Rescue Boats other than Fast Rescue Boats.
 - An approved Steering Certificate.
 - AMSA Certificate of Medical Fitness.
- With an additional 7 months QSS you will be eligible for a CoP as an Integrated Rating (STCW regulation II/5 and III/5).

How do I keep this certificate?

To revalidate your certificate you must:

- Have completed one of the following:
 - At least 12 months QSS 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 QSS, you should:

- Obtain a letter(s) from your employer(s) confirming QSS 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 Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Craft other than Fast Rescue Boats 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 Able Seafarer- Deck, Able Seafarer- Engine and Integrated Rating.*

If you **DO NOT HAVE** at least the specified QSS mentioned above, you will be required to complete the STCW short courses Fire Fighting and Fire Prevention (Basic Fire Fighting) and Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Craft other than Fast Rescue Boats in full.

How to apply for a CoP – 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.*

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.

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.

Note: If there is an inconsistency between this document and previously issued documents about the subject matter, this document supersedes information found in previous documents dealing with these matters.

Previous documents found to be in conflict with this document (or parts thereof) will be updated or withdrawn at the earliest opportunity.