



Marine Order 505 – Certificate of Competency Marine Engine Driver Grade 2 Near Coastal (NC)

The following provides a summary of the requirements for a Marine Engine Driver Grade 2 (NC) {MED 2} Certificate of Competency (CoC) under Marine Order 505

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

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| ✓ | Chief Engineer on a vessel with an inboard engine with propulsion power <750 kW in waters to the outer limits of the EEZ |
| ✓ | Second Engineer (second in charge of the engine room) on a vessel with an inboard engine with propulsion power <1500 kW in waters to the outer limits of the EEZ |
| ✓ | Chief Engineer or Second Engineer on a vessel with an outboard engine with unlimited propulsion in waters to the outer limits of the EEZ |
| ✓ | Assist an engineer in any tasks that may be required on board while working under the direct supervision of the person in charge of the vessel's engines |
| ✓ | Work in the engine room of a vessel <80 m long with propulsion power <3000 kW |

How do I get this certificate?

To obtain a 5 year MED 2 CoC you will need to have completed one of the following options for qualifying sea service (QSS):

While performing duties as an assistant to an engine driver, to a chief engineer or to a second engineer; or a general purpose hand:

- **At least 180 days'** QSS on commercial vessels with propulsion power ≥150 kW on vessels with inboard diesel engines and a completed approved task book; or
- **At least 360 days'** QSS on vessels with propulsion power ≥150 kW on vessels with inboard diesel engines without a task book; or

While holding a Coxswain Grade 1 NC, Coxswain Grade 2 NC endorsed for 500 kW inboard propulsion or MED 3 NC certificate:

- **At least 120 days'** QSS on commercial vessels with inboard diesel engines with propulsion power ≥150 kW, and a completed approved task book; or
- **At least 240 days'** QSS on commercial vessels with inboard diesel engines with propulsion power ≥150 kW, without a task book; or

While holding a workshop skill equivalent qualification:

- **At least 90 days'** QSS on commercial vessels with inboard diesel engines with propulsion power ≥150 kW and a completed task book; or

- **At least 180 days'** QSS on commercial vessels with inboard diesel engines with propulsion power ≥150kW without a task book.

MED2 task book can be obtained from us or from some registered training organization (RTOs). To order a task book directly from us, use the AMSA chargeable publications order form.

Note: At least half (50%) of the QSS required for this certificate must be accrued in the five (5) years immediately prior to lodging your application.

For all options you will need to:

- Complete an AMSA approved course of study Certificate III – MED Grade 2 course from an AMSA approved RTO as per MAR - Maritime Training Package <https://training.gov.au/Training/Details/MAR>. RTOs are regulated by the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) or a state regulator.
- Complete a Medical Fitness and Eyesight test.
- Pass an AMSA Mandated Practical Assessment (AMPA) conducted by a registered training organisation approved by us as a final assessor. The criteria and competencies covered in a final assessment included in Marine engine driver grade 2 near coastal syllabus AMSA 1107.
- Lodge a completed Certificate of competency application form 426.
- On successful completion of AMPA the RTO may give you an interim CoC that will allow you to start working immediately.

How do I keep this certificate?

To revalidate your certificate you must:

- Lodge a completed a CoC application form 426.
- Evidence of Medical Fitness:
 - Self Declaration of Medical Fitness within the CoC application form 426 or
 - Current AMSA medical (Certificate of medical fitness form 303) or
 - Certificate of medical fitness for a near coastal certificate form 559.
- HLTAID003 unit of competency – Provide first aid or equivalent.

How to apply for a CoC – Initial Issue / Revalidation (select as required)

Lodge an application at Australia Post:

- Complete a CoC application form 426 online or download a pdf version and then complete it.
- Complete all sections of the form.
- Respond yes or no to all questions and statements in the application form.
- Complete all boxes (if the information requested is unknown or not applicable insert N/A).
- 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.

What must I do to be eligible for a MED 2 (NC) CoC?

- Be at least 16 years when the certificate is issued.
- Evidence of QSS accrual in the form of:
 - Record of sea service form 771 or
 - Approved sea service log book or
 - On board sea service record from your task book or
 - Letter from the vessel operator, owner, master or chief engineer detailing your QSS.
- Evidence of Medical Fitness:
 - Self Declaration of Medical Fitness within the CoC application form 426 or
 - Current AMSA medical (Certificate of medical fitness form 303) or

- Certificate of medical fitness for a near coastal certificate form 559.
- Evidence of Eyesight Test:
 - Eyesight Test Certificate Application within the CoC application form 426 or
 - Current AMSA medical (Certificate of medical fitness form 303).
- Complete an AMSA approved course of study Certificate III – MED Grade 2 course from an AMSA approved registered training organisation (RTO) as per MAR – Maritime Training Package.
- HLTAID003 unit of competency Provide first aid or equivalent.
- Pay fee/s.
- Pass an AMSA Mandated Practical Assessment (AMPA)
- Proof of identity.
- Passport-style photograph taken in the previous six months.

Commonwealth statutory declaration

A Commonwealth provided template can be used to make a declaration under the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959*. The original statutory declaration must be posted to AMSA – SCS, GPO BOX 2181, Canberra ACT 2601.

The completed statutory declaration form tells us that you are sending us true copies of the originals or is a written statement which you sign and declare to be true before an authorised witness.

For a copy of this template and full list of persons authorised to witness statutory declarations under the Commonwealth Statutory Declarations Act (1959), see Statutory Declarations Regulations 1992, Schedule 2, a copy of which is available on our website or at the following link: www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/F2006C00248

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.