



Australian Government
Australian Maritime Safety Authority

Marine Order 505 – Certificate of Competency Coxswain Grade 2 Near Coastal NC

What will I be able to do with this certificate? The holder of this certificate can:

- ▶ Command and operate engines of a vessel <12 m long in sheltered waters or within 5nm of the shore or an aquaculture lease, with propulsion power under 100 kW for an inboard engine and under unlimited kW for an outboard engine
- ▶ Command and operate the engines of a vessel <12m long as a tender within 3nm of the parent vessel <EEZ with propulsion power under 100 kW for an inboard engine and unlimited kW for an outboard engine
- ▶ Undertake the duties and perform the functions of a Coxswain Grade 3 NC

How do I get this certificate?

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

- **At least 10 days** qualifying sea service on a commercial or recreational vessel, with an AMSA task book
- **At least 50 days** qualifying sea service on a commercial or recreational vessel, without an AMSA task book.

The Coxswain Grade 2 NC task book can be obtained from us or from some registered training organizations (RTO). To order a task book directly from us, use the following webpage:

<https://www.amsa.gov.au/forms/purchase-task-books-record-books-and-log-books>

What must I do to be eligible for a Coxswain Grade 2 CoC?

- Be at least 16 years when the certificate is issued.
- Be able to speak and understand English, including written documents,
- Evidence of QSS accrual in the form of:
 - Record of sea service form 771
 - On board sea service record from your task book
 - Letter from the vessel operator, owner, master or chief engineer.
 - Approved sea service log book.
- Evidence of medical fitness (including eyesight requirements):
 - Certificate of medical fitness for domestic seafarers form 1850
 - Or current AMSA medical (Certificate of medical fitness form 303)
- Complete a Certificate I – Coxswain Grade 2 NC course from a registered training organisation (RTO).
- Complete an AMSA mandated practical assessment at an approved RTO.
- Complete a HLTAID011 unit of competency - Provide first aid or equivalent course.

How do I keep this certificate?

To renew your certificate you must:

- Lodge a completed [CoC application form 426](#)
- Evidence of medical fitness:
 - Self-declaration of medical fitness within the CoC application form 426
 - Certificate of medical fitness for domestic seafarers form 1850
 - Current AMSA medical (Certificate of medical fitness form 303)
- Complete a HLTAID011 unit of competency - Provide first aid or equivalent course.

Possible restriction – Coxswain Grade 2 (NC)

Restricted to daylight hours

If the person is colour vision deficient the certificate will be restricted to operating only within daylight hours:

Endorsement – Coxswain Grade 2 (NC)

A Coxswain Grade 2 NC can be endorsed to command and operate the engines of a vehicular ferry-in-chains attached to the shore by cable if they provide evidence that they have at least 20 days qualifying sea service on a ferry in chains.

How to apply for a certificate of competency – Initial issue / renewal

Lodge an application at [Australia Post](#):

- Complete a CoC application form 426 online or download a pdf version and then complete it.
- 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. Australia Post will take your photograph for your application.

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

More Information

Seafarer Certification Guidance containing additional information on CoC, QSS 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.