

Regulation II/2*Mandatory Minimum Requirements for Certification
of Masters and Chief Mates of Ships of
200 Gross Register Tons or More***Master and chief mate of ships of 1 600 gross register tons or more**

1. Every master and chief mate of a sea-going ship of 1 600 gross register tons or more shall hold an appropriate certificate.
2. Every candidate for certification shall:
 - (a) satisfy the Administration as to medical fitness, particularly regarding eyesight and hearing;
 - (b) meet the requirements for certification as an officer in charge of a navigational watch on ships of 200 gross register tons or more and have approved sea-going service in that capacity:
 - (i) for certification as chief mate, not less than 18 months; however, this period may be reduced to not less than 12 months if the Administration requires special training which it considers to be equivalent to at least six months' service as officer in charge of a navigational watch;
 - (ii) for certification as master, not less than 36 months; however, this period may be reduced to not less than 24 months if not less than 12 months of such sea-going service has been served as chief mate, or if the Administration requires special training which it considers to be equivalent to such service;
 - (c) have passed appropriate examination to the satisfaction of the Administration. Such examination shall include the material set out in the Appendix to this Regulation, except that the Administration may vary these examination requirements for masters and chief mates of ships of limited size engaged on near-coastal voyages, as it considers necessary, bearing in mind the effect on the safety of all ships which may be operating in the same waters.

Master and chief mate of ships of between 200 and 1 600 gross register tons

3. Every master and chief mate of a sea-going ship of between 200 and 1 600 gross register tons shall hold an appropriate certificate.
4. Every candidate for certification shall:
 - (a) satisfy the Administration as to medical fitness, particularly regarding eyesight and hearing;
 - (b)
 - (i) for certification as chief mate, meet the requirements of an officer in charge of a navigational watch on ships of 200 gross register tons or more;
 - (ii) for certification as master, meet the requirements of an officer in charge of a navigational watch on ships of 200 gross register tons or more and have approved sea-going service in that capacity of not less than 36 months; however, this period may