

Prerequisites for Inland Water Certificates of Competency.

Inland waters are non-tidal waters that are open for public navigation.

Classification / Certificate	Min Age	Maximum Vessel Length/Power	Prerequisite Qualifying Service	Training Requirements	Other Requirements	Training Organisations	Trazining Duration	Cost of Training
Deck Hand	15	Any	Note if you are accruing service as a General Purpose hand on board a commercial vessel you must have completed the training as well as on board safety training. Refer to the "National Marine Guidance Manual – Minimum Onboard Training" for direction on what training is required.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ First Aid ▶ Fire fighting ▶ On board training in seamanship, ▶ Accident prevention, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Medical/eyesight assessment ▶ Proof of identity & age ▶ Obtain an approved Record of Service Book ▶ Complete application form & signed declaration Before acting as a GP hand a person must be endorsed by the NSW Maritime Authority. (in record of service book) vessel. GPHs require an endorsement in a record of Service book before they can officially act as crew on a commercial			
General Purpose Hand								
Captain/Skipper	20	Authorised to operate as master of vessels 24 metres or more in length and less than 80m. (This Certificate does not include an engineering qualification.)	<p><u>Candidates not holding any certificate of competency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 30 months (600 days/4500 hours) of approved service, including 12 months (240 days/1800 hours) of service on NSW inland waters within the previous 5 years. <p><u>Candidates holding a certificate of competency as Master Class Five (NSW inland waters) or other appropriate certificate:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 12 months (240 days/1800 hrs hours of approved service including 6 months (120 days/900 hours) as crew of a vessel operating on inland waters while holding Master 5 ▶ 12 months (240/1800 days) within the previous 5 years. For the holder of other certificates, appropriate service to include at least 3 months (60 days/450 hours) on inland waters.					
Master Class Four								
Propulsion Power & Plying Limits	Min Age	Prerequisite Qualifying Service	Training Requirements	Other Requirements	Training Organisations	Trazining Duration	Cost of Training	
Engineer Grade 2	18	▶ 3 months service* with an approved trade certificate, OR ▶ 6 months service* if holder of an MED3 certificate, ▶ Service afloat on commercial vessels assisting in servicing and operating propulsion machinery of not less than 150 kW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ First Aid Course (Workcover approved) ▶ Approved Fire Fighting Course For steam endorsements an approved boiler operators certificate is required. Contact - Senior Marine Surveyor for details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Completed application form & signed declaration ▶ Proof of service ▶ Medical/ eyesight assessment ▶ Proof of identity & age ▶ Obtain an approved Record of Service Book ▶ Pay NSW Maritime fees 				
Marine Engine Driver Grade 2								
Authorised to operate as engineer on vessels of maximum continuous power of less than 750 kW								