

# **Port Limit** Helmsman Course

Introduction

Port Limit Helmsman Course aims to train the participants in the safe handling of harbour craft within the port limits of Singapore. The course emphasize the basic rules of navigation, good seamanship practices, duties & responsibilities, safe boat handling procedures and understand the relevant port regulations and procedures.

### **COURSE FEES:**

**S\$ 834.60 (Inclusive GST)** 

#### **DURATION:**

**Full Time:** 40 hrs (8 hrs/day x 5 days)

# **Objective of Course**

The objective of this course is to prepare suitable holders of Port Limit Steersman Licence who wishes to upgrade their present licence to operate harbour crafts of larger capacity.

# **Course Coverage**

The course covers the following topics:

- Use of bridge/boat equipment and use of lifesaving and fire-fighting equipment
- Weather conditions and basic knowledge of tides and tidal current
- Understand the relevant Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore Regulations / Procedures, Port Marine Circulars and Port Marina Notices
- International Regulations for preventing collisions at sea and steering and sailing rules. Lights and shapes carried by various vessels and sound signals
- Recognition of Flag signals and its meaning
- Understand Duties & Responsibilities of a Helmsman
- Emergency procedures and safe practices in boat handling
- Basic chart work, navigation marks and main aids to navigation in port

# **Pre-Requisite**

Only Singaporeans and PR are eligible for the examination conducted by Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore.

Foreign candidates are eligible only under special conditions and approval from Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore.

In order to qualify as a candidate for the examination to obtain the manning licence as a Port Limit Helmsman, the participant must:

- be at least 20 years of age
- have passed an approved eyesight test conducted not more than 6 months before the examination
- have within the 5 years immediately preceding the examination, acquired either
  - a. the relevant period of practical experience as a master or steersman of one or more of the following power-driven vessels:
    - a licensed harbour craft, while holding a Port Limit Steersman Licence
    - a vessel belonging to the government or a statutory board or
    - a sea-going vessel engaged in trade, a trawler or a deep sea fishing vessel

b. the relevant period of practical experience on deck in an approved capacity of one or more of the following power-driven vessels:

- in a power driven vessel of at least 300 gross tonnes or a tug boat of not less than 50 gross tonnes within the Port Limits
- in a vessel of not less than 20 meter in length and carrying not fewer than12 passengers, within the Port Limits
- a vessel belonging to the government or a statutory board
- a sea-going vessel engaged in trade, a trawler or a deep sea fishing vessel

## Certification

Participant who has successfully completed the course will be awarded a Port Limit Helmsman Course Certificate by STEi Institute.

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