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MASTER AND CHIEF MATE (EXAMINATION ROUTE) FOR EXPERIENCED SEAFARERS

This course is for candidates who hold a current STCW Officer of the Watch Certificate (II/1) (*without* a valid HND in Nautical Science) to achieve a STCW Chief Mate (II/2) certificate of competency.

This course enables such candidates to achieve Chief Mate (unlimited) and Master (limited to <3000 GT) certification via the SQA route.

While undertaking the HND Nautical Science course the following are included in the fees structure at a discounted rate:

- MCA Orals Preparation
- Cyber Security Awareness (if not completed as part of OOW education & training)
- IAMI Digital Assessment Preparation
- NAEST (M)
- HELM (M)

The package fee for completing all the above as a single booking will be **£9,025.00**. Please note: IAMI digital assessment fees are payable separately (external fee*) and are not included in the above cost.

**As a guide, the fee for the digital assessment for 25/26 was £283.00*

Any candidates requiring additional short courses to meet the requirements of their NOE can book these through the WMS website.

Course start dates

Start Date	Last Date of Enrolment	Course End Date
14 September 2026	25 September 2026	26 February 2027
11 January 2027	22 February 2027	25 June 2027
26 April 2027	07 May 2027	8 October 2027

Course pre-requisites

- Hold a valid OOW Unlimited II/1 from an MCA recognised flag state.
- Completed a minimum 12 months' sea service as a watchkeeping deck officer while holding STCW '95 Table A II/1 Certificate of Competency (Watchkeeper).
- Hold a valid personal medical fitness certificate recognised by the MCA.
- Hold a valid NAEST(O) certificate completed on or after 1 January 2005 or an MCA approved ECDIS certificate completed on or after 1 January 2005.

Please note that to be issued with a NOE for application for your MCA CoC, you meet the requirements of **MSN 1856 Amendment 1**.



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Campus Learning

HND Nautical Science tuition, short courses, oral and IAMI preparation classes will be delivered on campus, in-person, where candidates must attend for not less than 80% of the time or will be withdrawn from the course. Short courses have a 100% attendance requirement.

Funding

This course is eligible for funding from Student Finance England (for home students living in the UK), more information can be found [here](#) and [here](#).

British seafarers are also encouraged to explore the [Slater Scholarship](#).

For further information, please contact Admissions:

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