

Marine Personnel Regulations (MPR)

Requirements: Masters and Fishing Vessels
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Fishing Vessels Masters

All fishing vessels will require, in accordance with their tonnage and type of voyage:

- a **certificated master**,
- Or
- A person holding a **small vessel operator proficiency** training certificate (SVOP)
- Or
- A person holding a **pleasure craft operator card (PCOC)**



Entry into Force Dates for Captains

Certificate Requirement for Captains and Persons in Charge of the Navigational Watch

According to the category, required starting from:

- November 7, 2008, if more than 15 m in overall length
- November 7, 2009, if more than 14 m in overall length
- November 7, 2010, if more than 13 m in overall length
- November 7, 2012, if more than 12 m in overall length
- November 7, 2015, if more than 6 m in overall length
- November 7, 2016, fishing vessels of all lengths



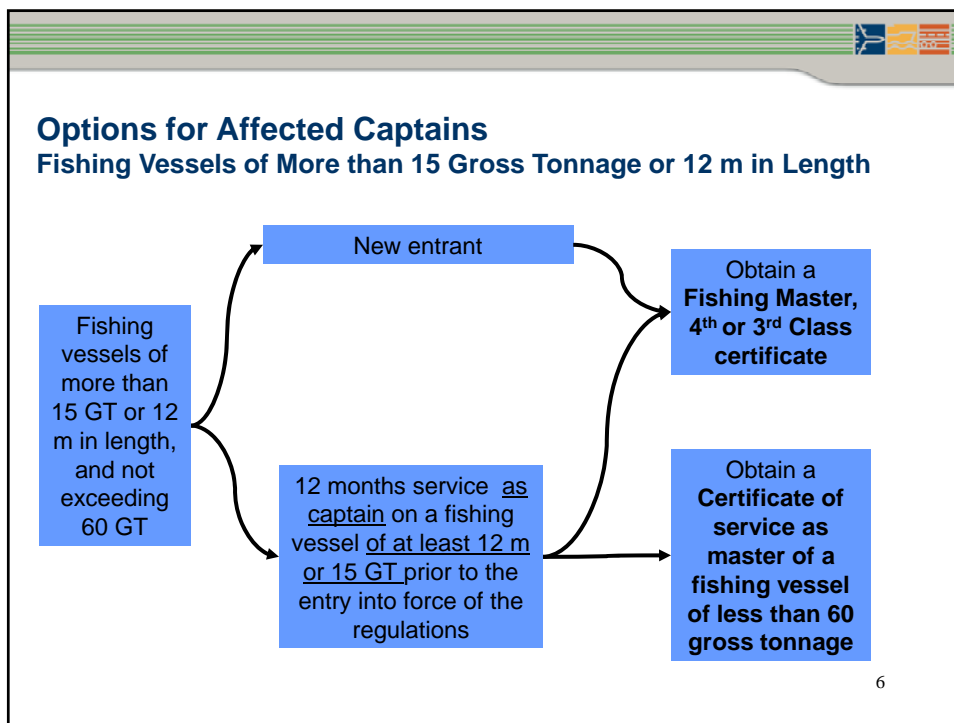
Fishing Vessels Certificates for Captains

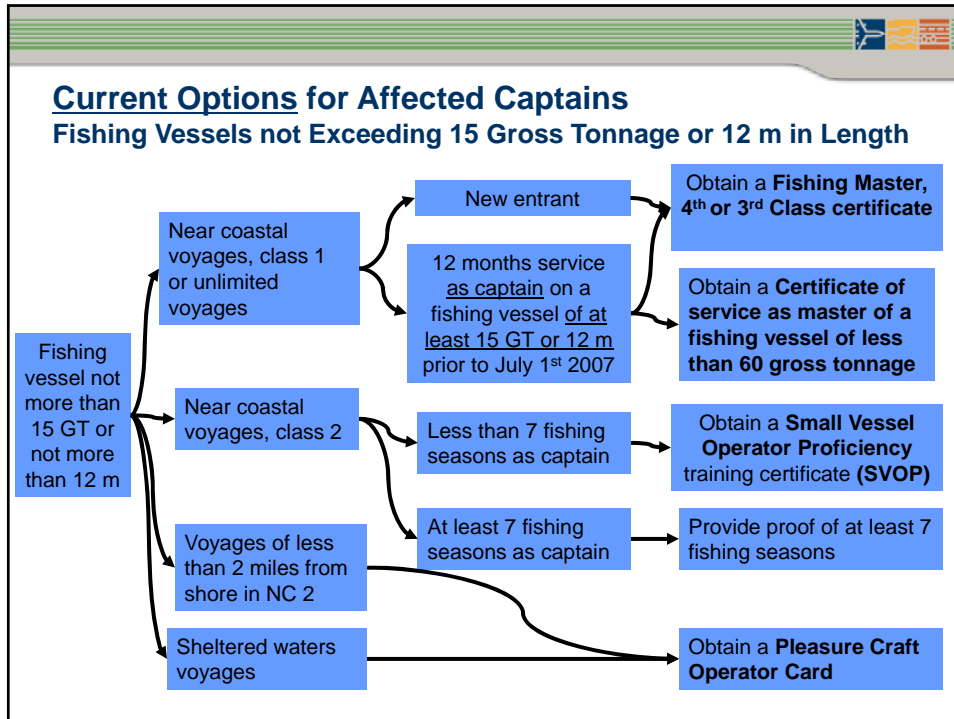
Voyages Gross tonnage	Near coastal voyages, class 1 (NC 1)	Near coastal voyages, class 2 (NC 2)		Sheltered waters voyages
		More than 2 miles from shore	Less than 2 miles from shore	
More than 15 gross tonnage (GT) or more than 12 meters	Fishing master, 4 th or 3 rd class or Certificate of service as master of a fishing vessel of less than 60 gross tonnage	Fishing master, 4 th or 3 rd class or Certificate of service as master of a fishing vessel of less than 60 gross tonnage	Fishing master, 4 th or 3 rd class or Certificate of service as master of a fishing vessel of less than 60 gross tonnage	Fishing master, 4 th or 3 rd class or Certificate of service as master of a fishing vessel of less than 60 gross tonnage
Gross tonnage not exceeding 15 or 12 meters overall length		Training certificate in Small Vessel Operator Proficiency (SVOP) Note: Not required if more than 7 fishing seasons	Pleasure Craft Operator Card (PCOC)	

MASTER CERTIFICATES — FISHING VESSELS

Item	Column 1 Certificate	Column 2 Unlimited Voyage	Column 3 Near Coastal Voyage, Class 1	Column 4 Near Coastal Voyage, Class 2	Column 5 Sheltered Waters Voyage
1.	Fishing Master, First Class	Master	Master	Master	Master
2.	Fishing Master, Second Class	Chief Mate	Master	Master	Master
3.	Fishing Master, Third Class	Officer in charge of watch	Master	Master	Master
4.	Fishing Master, Fourth Class	N/A	Master, fishing vessel of up to 100 gross tonnage Officer in charge of the watch	Master, fishing vessel of up to 100 gross tonnage Officer in charge of the watch	Master, fishing vessel of up to 100 gross tonnage
5.	Certificate of Service as Master of a Fishing Vessel of Less Than 60 Gross Tonnage	Validity specified on the certificate	Validity specified on the certificate	Validity specified on the certificate. See note.	Validity specified on the certificate
6.	Small Vessel Operator Proficiency training certificate	N/A	N/A	Master, fishing vessel of up to 15 gross tonnage or not more than 12 m in overall length. See note.	Master, fishing vessel of up to 15 gross tonnage or not more than 12 m in overall length
7.	Pleasure Craft Operator Card	N/A	N/A	Master, fishing vessel of up to 15 gross tonnage or not more than 12 m in overall length, on a voyage not more than two nautical miles from shore	Master, fishing vessel of up to 15 gross tonnage or not more than 12 m in overall length

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Fishing Master, Fourth Class Requirements

- **Qualifying service:**
 - ❑ 12 months on a fishing vessel of at least 6 m
- **Training courses:**
 - ❑ MED with respect to basic safety (A1)
 - ❑ Restricted Radio Operator's Certificate – maritime commercial (ROC-MC)
 - ❑ Simulated Electronic Navigation course, Limited (SEN Limited)
 - ❑ Marine Advanced First Aid certificate (MAFA)
- **Exams:**
 - ❑ Chartwork and pilotage, level 1