

INTERNATIONAL BAREBOAT SKIPPER

This is a certificate of excellence for relatively experienced sailors wishing to achieve the level of competence (and formal certification) needed to act as a recreational skipper when cruising or chartering a yacht inshore or close offshore usually in daylight hours.

COURSE PREREQUISITES

This course is not for beginners. The recommended entry level requirements are completion of the IYT International Crew Certificate (or equivalent from other recognised yacht training establishments) or have extensive documented yachting/ chartering experience. The candidate should also have logged over 200 nautical miles and 10 days at sea before advancing to this level. (Days and miles logged on this course (at Allsail’s discretion, may be counted). The course is designed to finetune, develop and confirm your skills. Candidates also need to possess or be prepared to gain a VHF radio certificate.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

On successful completion candidates should have the necessary understanding and skill to:

- Command a recreational sailing vessel up to a maximum length of 24 metres
- On coastal waters up to 20 miles offshore
- In daylight hours and in fair conditions with moderate wind and sea conditions

This certificate is the level of competence that is generally needed when chartering a boat in the Mediterranean, Caribbean and many other destinations where there are restrictions in terms of cruising area, distance from the base - and the vessel has to be safely moored in a marina or anchored before dark.

PROGRAM OUTLINE

FULL COURSE COST \$1,750

THEORY – ONLINE HOME STUDY

Study of the comprehensive Online International Bareboat Skipper Modules is a prerequisite to attending the Two Day Overnight Onboard session below. Total online study time is likely 5 to 8 hours and covers the following:

- Boat Handling and advanced sailing as the Skipper
- Basic Meteorology - Navigation and chartwork
- Short Passages, heavy weather, harbour entry
- Tides and Currents, Anchoring, Berthing
- Buoyage, lights, shapes and the Collision Regulations
- Skipper responsibilities, crew safety and basic first aid



There is a multiple choice exam at the end. On passing you are issued with the **Skipper Theory Certificate**

PRACTICAL SESSIONS - on Allsail’s 12 metre yachts Bavaria 40, Beneteau 39, Sydney 38

Two full days training followed by a **Two Day Overnight Onboard finetuning and assessment weekend.**

Usually over two weekends. Candidates also participate in up to three preparatory sails - club cruising or race sessions (usually 3 to 4 hours) overseen by an Allsail instructor.

Topics covered in the practical training and assessment sessions include:

- Safety brief, weather and planning, yacht preparation
- Onboard review and practical application of the Theory Modules
- Training and review of practical sailing skills, anchoring and berthing (including Mediterranean docking techniques) leadership, crew management and skipper skills as the commander of a yacht.
- Usually includes a night hours – navigation sail up the Hawkesbury River around tricky Dangar Island.

Candidates are assessed as to their understanding of the theory and practical components of the course.

Candidates who successfully complete the International Bareboat Skipper program and hold a valid VHF Radio certificate then automatically qualify for issue of an International Certificate of Competence (ICC) - your “International sailing passport” (ICC Certificate fee is around \$125 paid direct to IYT.)

FAST TRACK BAREBOAT SKIPPER/ ICC ASSESSMENT COST \$560 to \$890

May be available for previously qualified or very highly experienced skippers. Ask us for details.