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|  U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITYU.S. COAST GUARD | Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW), International Convention | OMB No. 1625-0079Exp: 10/31/2026 |

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| **Who must comply?** | Mariners serving on vessels affected by STCW Convention. |
| **What is this collection about?** | This information is used by the Coast Guard (CG) to ensure compliance with international requirements and to maintain acceptable quality in activities associated with training and assessment of merchant mariners. Documentation of objectives and criteria used for training and assessment would ensure that training programs meet the objectives required by the IMO. Documentation of skill demonstration and sea-service would ensure that seafarers have the skills and experience necessary to perform assigned duties. |
| **Where do I find the requirements for this information?** | Title 46 CFR Parts 10, 11, 12 and 15 are available at— <https://www.eCFR.gov>, select TITLE 46 – SHIPPING, and follow to the respective Part. |
| **When must information be submitted to the Coast Guard?** | A mariner must submit information to the CG before we can evaluate it for eligibility.  |
| **How is the information submitted?** | In written or electronic form.  |
| **What happens when complete information is received?** | The CG will review the information, and if the mariner qualifies, a Merchant Marine Credential will be issued.  |
| **For additional information, contact—** | Your local Regional Examination Center (REC), or the National Maritime Center (NMC). * For REC info, visit— <https://www.dco.uscg.mil/nmc/recs/>.
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