

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY U.S. COAST GUARD	Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW), International Convention	OMB No. 1625- 0079 Exp: 10/31/2026
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<b>Who must comply?</b>	Mariners serving on vessels affected by STCW Convention.
<b>What is this collection about?</b>	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.
<b>Where do I find the requirements for this information?</b>	Title 46 CFR Parts 10, 11, 12 and 15 are available at— <a href="https://www.eCFR.gov">https://www.eCFR.gov</a> , select TITLE 46 – SHIPPING, and follow to the respective Part.
<b>When must information be submitted to the Coast Guard?</b>	A mariner must submit information to the CG before we can evaluate it for eligibility.
<b>How is the information submitted?</b>	In written or electronic form.
<b>What happens when complete information is received?</b>	The CG will review the information, and if the mariner qualifies, a Merchant Marine Credential will be issued.
<b>For additional information, contact—</b>	Your local Regional Examination Center (REC), or the National Maritime Center (NMC). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For REC info, visit— <a href="https://www.dco.uscg.mil/nmc/recs/">https://www.dco.uscg.mil/nmc/recs/</a>.</li> <li>• For the NMC, visit— <a href="https://www.dco.uscg.mil/nmc/">https://www.dco.uscg.mil/nmc/</a>.</li> </ul>

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The Coast Guard estimates that the average burden per response for this report varies per information collection—about 5 minutes for pax vsl personnel training records; 15 minutes for watch schedule recordkeeping; 20 minutes for medical fitness reporting; 30 minutes for skills demonstration recordkeeping; 1 hour for training/assessment record book recordkeeping; 1 hour for training course/student performance recordkeeping; and up to 3 hours for merchant mariner recordkeeping. You may submit any comments concerning the accuracy of this burden estimate or any suggestions for reducing the burden to: Commandant (CG-MMC), U.S. Coast Guard Stop 7509, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr Ave SE, Washington, DC 20593-7509 or Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (1625-0079), Washington, DC 20503.