



Zenith Maritime

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Coast Guard Approved License Training • Deliveries

NOTICE TO MARINERS:

A United States Coast Guard Captain's License is required to operate any passenger or commercial vessel in U.S. waters. It is the pinnacle of maritime education and ranks you as a professional within the industry and amongst your peers. Zenith Maritime has a history training mariners to become Captains across the USA. Graduates operate vessels throughout the world and received their licenses through our approved training as an alternative to stressful Coast Guard Examinations

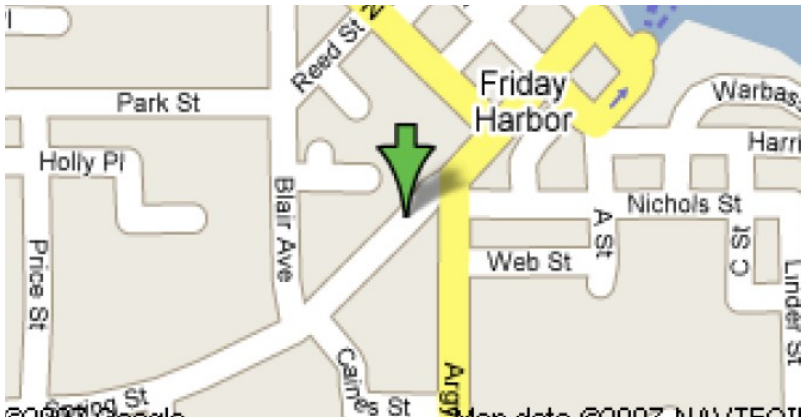
There are a number of schools across the county where you can obtain a license, Zenith's philosophy is teaching, not test preparation.

The Captain's Class is quite comprehensive and our instruction is designed accordingly. Zenith takes a personal interest in each student to insure their experience is rewarding and successful. We guide and assist you through the mate of Coast Guard applications including pre-evaluation and documentation of your sea time. We direct you to drug testing and physicals and review your entire application packet before you submit it to the Coast Guard. This enables you to concentrate on your studies rather than the meticulous details of the paperwork involved.

Zenith Maritime offers a variety of courses. Some schools require you to get an OUPV (six pac) license, followed by an upgrade to a Master's License. Other's require you to get both licenses together. At Zenith, you pick the course that best meets your needs, we offer more options. Graduating students receive We also prepare the student for optional sailing and assisted towing endorsements. We also provide supplementary tutoring and makeup classes in the event of schedule conflicts.

Please read the following carefully, then contact me with any questions you may have.

April 23 - May 1, 2010, Daily 8:30 PM to 5:30 PM



Paradise Lanes - Upstairs Conference Room

365 Spring St., Friday Harbor WA 98250

*Tuition: \$1,100, \$1,000 if pre-registered by April 9, 2010 (requires \$100 deposit)
Tuition includes textbooks, charts, application forms, and training certificates that allow you to apply to the Coast Guard without testing at the Coast Guard's Regional Exam Center..*

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Train in a classroom setting for the "Six-Pack" (OUPV) License License up to 100 tons.

· "Six-Pack" Operator of Uninspected Passenger Vessels Inland/Near Coastal/Great Lakes

This license is required in order to carry six or fewer passengers for hire on uninspected passenger vessels up to 100 ton displacement on Inland or Near Coastal U.S. waters or on the U.S. Great Lakes.

· Upon the successful completion of the course, graduates receive a Certificate of Training in lieu of taking Coast Guard Examinations. You have up to one year to submit this certificate for your license. During this period, additional sea service time may be accumulated.

ADDITIONAL COSTS:

· Coast Guard license evaluation fees (\$140), navigation instruments, physical examination, drug test, and First Aid and CPR certification (if needed).

REQUIREMENTS:

· Minimum of 360 days of sea experience on Navigable waters applicable for evaluation (a day at sea is anything more than four hours in a twenty-four hour period)

· 90 days (of the 360 total) must be within the last 3 calendar years

· You may use time accumulated since your 16th birthday.

· Time on your own vessel is valid - must have registration numbers proof of ownership

· Time on other vessels must be documented by letter from the owner (see "While You Are Waiting" page 4)

· Time from any registered or documented vessel is valid: work/pleasure, large (up to 300 tons) or small power or sail vessels. Time on rowing vessels is not applicable.

· Time obtained in military service is 60% applicable

REGISTRATION:

Fill out the enclosed Registration Form and return it to Zenith with your deposit. Register early ! Enrollment is strictly limited.

While You're Waiting

There are a few things you can do while waiting for class to begin. Getting these items accomplished will give you a head start in the Coast Guard application process.

1. Send in your Zenith Registration Form to reserve your place in class!
2. Find your Birth Certificate or Passport. Again, order certified copies if necessary.
3. Start organizing your sea time. This will be thoroughly discussed the first night, but begin outlining. This can be a complicated process, but here are the basics: A. You are trying to accumulate a minimum of 360 days of sea time.* This may be on your own vessel (easiest) or on a friend's, family's, or working vessels. One day is considered four or more hours. An afternoon cruise would suffice. (*720 days with 360 on Ocean waters will give you a Near Coastal rating) B. Your time must be on either Great Lakes, Oceans, or Navigable Rivers/Lakes. Time on small interior lakes or rivers may need further approval by the Coast Guard. C. You may use time obtained since your sixteenth birthday. Ninety days of your time, however, must be within the last three years. This is a Coast Guard recency clause and may be difficult for those of you operating in seasonal waters. Remember, the Certificate of Training you receive upon graduation is valid for one year. This allows for time to conform to the recency requirement by accumulating additional time before turning in your Coast Guard License Application. D. You must show proof of ownership for your own vessel if it is to be used for sea service time. This is usually in the form of a state registration or a bill of sale. If you are using time on a vessel you owned previously, then contact the state registration department and request a copy for verification of your old registration. E. If you are using vessels other than your own, the owner must write a letter with complete information concerning your time and the vessel. If it is not on their company letterhead they must notarize it. It is wise for you to complete the information in letter form so that they can either have it notarized or retype it on their letterhead. Begin this process early! F. Begin to outline your 360/720 days. Make a quick calendar noting the number of days for a particular month in a given year. For example: June/ 1992:4 days; 1993: 10 days and so on. Total the days. Do this for each vessel you are using until your time totals at least 360 days. Use recent time first and work backwards. Remember 90 days should be in the last three years. Also note the waters that the vessel was operated upon, the registration number or documentation number.

Details concerning types of licenses, endorsements (sail, towing) and tonnage ratings will be discussed thoroughly the first night of class. You may also contact Capt. Rodriguez directly at : 360-531-0698

Sample of Information for Sea Service Letters

Dear Sirs:

I have personally observed and submit the following information concerning applicant (Your Name):

Applicant:	Your Name Here
Social Security Number:	111-222-333
Name of Vessel:	"Vessel Name"
Power/Sail aux:	Sail Aux
Official Number:	47077 (State Registration or Documentation No.)
Gross Tonnage:	5 (or displacement)
Length:	24 feet
Capacity Served:	*Crew (only list Crew Owner/Operator)
Sea Service:	Inland Waters: (i.e..Puget Sound)
	1994: April - Sept. 31 days
	1995: March-Oct. 41 days
	Total: 72 days
	Near Coastal Waters: (i.e..

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1992: June-Aug.	31 days	
1993: July		12 days
1994: Oct		4 days
Total:		55

Name: (of person writing letter)

Address: (of person writing letter)

Daytime Phone: (of person writing letter)

Signature: (of person writing letter)

This letter must be notarized unless written on company letterhead.



Captain Richard J. Rodriguez
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360-531-0698

Captain Richard J. Rodriguez

- Experience has been gained from deliveries on the West Coast of North America from California to Alaska. Inter personal communications is the key to a successful voyage. Having served in key corporate leadership roles, the ability to relate to broad cross section of clients is a forte.
- Faculty - Zenith Maritime
- Faculty - United States Maritime Academy (2003-2008)
- Commercial Assistance Towing Industry Trainer and Risk Management Specialist
- Captain - Vessel Assist, San Juan Islands, WA
- Consultant / Trainer - West Marine Seminars
- Affiliate Professor - University of Northern Colorado
- Prior Service - United States Coast Guard (Aux).

Sea Service:

- Over 160 days per year on the water experience for the last five years.
- Experience on a variety of vessels up to 80 feet.

Education:

- Bachelor of Arts, Missouri Valley College
- Post Graduate Work, University of Northern Colorado

Other:

- FAA - Licensed Private Pilot
- FCC - Licensed Amateur Radio Operator

Useful Links

USCG Local Notice to Mariners

<http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/lnm/d13/>

Download Application and Forms:

<http://www.uscg.mil/stcw/downloads.htm>

Washington Boater Registration:

<http://www.dol.wa.gov/vehicleregistration/boats.html> 360-902-3780

USCG Dept of Documentation:

<http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cg5/nvdc/>

USCG Mariner Forms

<http://www.uscg.mil/stcw/>

Vessel Documentation Data retrieved using craft name

http://www.st.nmfs.gov/st1/commercial/landings/cg_vessel2.html

Vessel Documentation Data retrieved using craft registration no

http://www.st.nmfs.gov/st1/commercial/landings/cg_vessels.html

WA State DOL

<http://www.dol.wa.gov/boats.htm>

**ZENITH REGISTRATION
CAPTAIN'S CLASS**

PLEASE EMAIL OR PRINT AND RETURN

Name: (printed as it will appear on your license) Last: _____ MI: _____
First: _____

Mailing Address:

Home Phone: _____
Work Phone: _____
Email: _____
Age: _____
Citizenship: _____
Social Security (last four) #: _____

Do you have the following:

Yes ___ No ___ First Aid/CPR (within the last 12 months)
Yes ___ No ___ Minimum of 360 days of sea time on registered vessels
Yes ___ No ___ 90 days of the total (360) days sea time within the last 3 years

How did you hear about the U.S. Maritime Academy:
___ Newspaper ___ Coast Guard
___ Flyer ___ Friend
___ Work ___ Other

Please register me in the Zenith class specified above. I understand that the the class size is limited and include a \$100 deposit to reserve my place in class and begin the Coast Guard application process. I understand that the registration fee will be applied toward tuition and is refundable if I am not approved.

Check enclosed
___ Yes
___ No

Please make checks payable to:
Maritime Services or Capt. Rodriguez
and mail to:

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