Exemption from academic subjects can be claimed on subject for subject basis. There is no exemption from the professional subject e.g. Engineering Knowledge (EK).

** Merchant Shipping Notices

MSNs are available on our website [www.gov.uk/mca](http://www.gov.uk/mca).

*** 3 months Merchant Navy sea service for WOCQ and for others section 3.7.2 (b) of MSN 1857 will apply.

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Note - All applicants require 6 months sea service in the preceding five years when applying to MCA for Notice of Eligibility (NOE) to sit the oral examination. If not then applicants will be issued with Engine Room Watch Rating Certificate providing they hold basic STCW certificates and seafarer medical fitness certificate. They would then be able to complete 6 months service as rating on Merchant Navy vessels using this certificate.
Group 2 - Small Vessel Certifications
Petty Officer/Chief Petty Officer/Warrant Officer (ME)
(Yacht, Tug, Fishing Vessel, Large Workboat, Stand-by Vessel, Seismic Survey Vessel, Oceanographic Vessel, Govt. Patrol Boat)

- Note 1 - 06 months of this service can be performed on 350 kW vessels and remaining 06 months must complete on 750 kW vessels,
- Note 2 - exemption will be available (MIN 524, MSN 1857),
- Note 3 - MSNs and MINs are available on www.gov.uk/mca website. # sea service needs to complete on vessels of 350 kW.

- POET (ME) MEOOW1
  12 mnths SS

- CPOET (ME) MEOOW1

- WOCQ

- Medical Fitness Cert. (ENG 1), Ancillary Training MIN 524

- Pass oral exam for Small Vessel 2nd Engineer CoC

- 6 mnths sea service

- Pass SQA Chief Engineer Statutory & Operational requirements & SV Chief Engineer <500GT & <3000 kW, Reg III/3 oral examinations.

- SV Chief Engineer <500GT & <3000 kW CoC, Reg III/3

- Complete 12 mnths sea service, pass Chief Eng statutory + operational requirements, Applied Marine Engineering and General Engineering Science I & II and SV Chief Engineer <3000 GT <9000 kW, Reg III/2 oral exams

- Complete 6 mnths sea service on >750 kW vessels, pass Applied Marine Engineering and General Engineering Science I & II and SV Chief Engineer <3000 GT <9000 kW, Reg III/2 oral exams

- SV Chief Engineer Officer <3000 GT and <9000 kW, Reg III/2 CoC

* Note 1 - 06 months of this service can be performed on ≥350 kW vessels and remaining 06 months must complete on ≥750 kW vessels,
** Note 2 - exemption will be available (MIN 524, MSN 1857),
*** Note 3 - MSNs and MINs are available on www.gov.uk/mca website. # sea service needs to complete on vessels of ≥350 kW.

Group 3 – ME Officers/WO
MCOQ (MCQ) attained rank or equivalency of MCQ/MEO or MEQ

Medical Fitness (ENG 1) and Ancillary Safety Training; MSN 1857

Engineer Officer the Watch (EOOW), Reg III/1, oral & CoC

MEO – 3 mnths MN sea service
DMEO/WOCQ – 6 mnths MN sea
Management level SQA exams and 2/E Reg. III/2 oral exam

Second Engineer Officer Reg II/2 oral & CoC

MCQ/MEO – 3 mnths service as 2/E
MEQ/WOCQ – 6 mnths MN ss as 2/E or 12 mnths as EOOW mnths service as 2/E

Chief Engineer Officer Reg. III/2 oral & CoC

Chief Engineer Officer less than 3000 kW UL, Reg III/3 oral exam & CoC

3 mnths MN ss or 6 mnths as 2/E

Chief Engineer Officer less than 9000 kW NC endorsement

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** Note 2 - Exemption from academic subjects are available except professional subject 'Engineering Knowledge (EK)'
*3 months of this service can be performed on ≥350 kW vessels and remaining 6 months must complete on ≥750 kW vessels, **exemption will be available (MIN 524, MSN 1857), *** MSNs and MINs are available on www.gov.uk/mca website. # sea service needs to complete on vessels of ≥350 kW.

General requirements for serving at sea on Merchant Navy Vessels and for obtaining a Certificate of Competency.