



Current Requirements for Tanker Courses During COVID-19 Lockdown

For the issue UK Basic Tanker Certificate of Proficiency (CoP) or Course Completion Certificate, the MCA will accept the following in lieu MCA-approved MNTB Tanker Fire Fighting:

- MCA Approved Advanced Firefighting; **or**
- Approved Firefighting issued by an administration whose CoC the MCA accept towards the issue a CEC and the completion of the theory element of MNTB Tanker Fire Fighting online, this will need to cover:

Competence	Knowledge, understanding and proficiency	Methods for demonstrating competence	Criteria for evaluating competency
Carry out fire-fighting operations	<p>Tanker fire response organization and action to be taken</p> <p>Fire hazards associated with cargo handling and transportation of hazardous and noxious liquids in bulk</p> <p>Fire-fighting agents used to extinguish oil and chemical fires</p> <p>Fixed fire-fighting foam system operations</p> <p>Portable fire-fighting foam operations</p> <p>Fixed dry chemical system operations</p> <p>Spill containment in relation to fire-fighting operations</p>	<p>Practical exercises and instruction conducted under approved and truly realistic training conditions (e.g., simulated shipboard conditions) and, whenever possible and practicable, in darkness</p>	<p>Initial actions and follow-up actions on becoming aware of fire on board conform with established practices and procedures</p> <p>Action taken on identifying muster signal is appropriate to the indicated emergency and complies with established procedures</p> <p>Clothing and equipment are appropriate to the nature of the fire-fighting operations</p> <p>The timing and sequence of individual actions are appropriate to the prevailing circumstances and conditions</p> <p>Extinguishment of fire is achieved using appropriate procedures, techniques and fire-fighting agents</p>

Meeting the above requirements will permit entry onto an MCA Advanced Tanker Course. Upon successful completion the candidate may then apply to the MCA for a tanker endorsement, providing they meet the additional criteria specified in MSN 1866 (tanker seagoing service, medical etc).

If a candidate only requires an MCA Advanced Tanker Course Completion Certificate*, then in addition to the criteria specified in the 'MNTB/MCA Tanker Training Guide' the following will permit entry onto the course:

- 3-month's experience on the applicable tanker and MNTB Fire Fighting; **or**
- 3-month's experience on the applicable tanker and MCA approved advanced Fire Fighting; **or**
- 3-month's experience on the applicable tanker, Advanced Fire Fighting from a CEC country and the theory element of MNTB Tanker Fire Fighting; **or**
- Applicable Basic Tanker CoP or Endorsement from any EU Country and Advanced Firefighting from any EU country; **or**
- Applicable Basic Tanker CoP/Endorsement from any CEC Country, Advanced Firefighting from any CEC country and the theory element of MNTB Tanker Fire Fighting.

*i.e. they do not intend to apply for a UK Tanker Endorsement or CoP.