

STATUTORY CONSULTATION – THE MERCHANT SHIPPING (BOATMASTERS’ QUALIFICATIONS, CREW AND HOURS OF WORK) REGULATIONS 2014

Specific Consultation Questions

Annex	Page & paragraph	Target Consultees	Question
C Draft MSN	Whole document	Everyone	<p>Content: Does the draft MSN clearly set out the structure and requirements of the draft Statutory Instrument? (Annex A) If not, which sections can be clarified?</p> <p>Presentation of the document: Is the MSN clearly ordered? Should any sections in the body of the MSN be moved into an annex? Should any annexes be moved into the body of the MSN? Should any of the annexes be published as a standalone document?</p> <p><u>Note:</u> The syllabi for BML ancillary, generic and specialist operations training has been moved from the statutory instrument into this MSN.</p>
C Draft MSN	Specialist Operations Syllabi Annex 10, p50-57	Those operating oil, chemical or gas tankers	<p>Please indicate the range of cargoes that you are expected to carry. We are considering the possibility of issuing limited endorsements suitable for the particular trade that you operate in.</p> <p>The proposed syllabi are based on STCW Advanced Tanker Training.</p>
D Draft MGN	Whole document	Everyone	<p>Content: Does the draft MGN clearly set out the transitional arrangement in the draft Statutory Instrument? (Annex A) If not, which sections can be clarified?</p> <p>Presentation of the document: Is the MGN clearly ordered?</p>
E MGN 334	Whole document	Everyone	<p>Content: Does the draft MGN clearly set out the local knowledge requirements in the draft Statutory Instrument? (Annex A) If not, which sections can be clarified?</p> <p>Presentation of the document: Is the MGN clearly ordered?</p>
E MGN 334	Annex 1	All Harbour / Navigation Authorities	<p>Is the information relating to your authority up to date? Are there any authorities missing? <u>Please confirm either details are correct or provide up to date details</u></p>
E MGN 334	Annex 2	Harbour Authorities that have local knowledge status under the existing Regulations	<p>Are the requirements relating to your authority up to date? <u>Please confirm either details are correct or provide up to date details</u></p>

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E MGN 334	Annex 3	Port of London Authority	Is the general rules and knowledge section up to date?
F Draft IA	p8 para. 6.1	Operators	What is the comparable difference in salary of a master working under a BML vessel exemption to those holding a BML?
F Draft IA	p8 para. 6.1	Operators and Boatmasters	Where can the MCA find information on the numbers of masters who have qualified for a T1L2 licence but who are working only in a restricted local tidal area. If the information is not readily available, please indicate whether you operate in only one restricted local tidal area and hold a T1L2 licence?
F Draft IA	p11 para. 6.2.4	Operators and Boatmasters	Please indicate whether you had to fully or partially retrain for a BML even though you held one of the proposed superior certificates (listed in Annex B, page 23).
F Draft IA	p12 para. 6.2.4	Operators and Boatmasters	Please indicate whether you had to retrain for a BML endorsement even though you held one of the proposed STCW training certificates (listed in Annex B, far right column pages 25-27).
F Draft IA	p14 para. 6.3.2	Operators and Boatmasters	Please indicate whether you currently work on the Medway with a T1 licence or intend to work on the Medway with one of the proposed acceptable equivalent qualifications (listed in Annex B, page 23) and will be affected by the inclusion of the Medway (defined in Annex B, page 8, para. 7.3) as an area of local knowledge requiring a local knowledge endorsement.
F Draft IA	p14 para. 6.3.2	Boatmasters (excluding masters on the Thames who are already required under the existing regs to revalidate their LKE)	Please indicate whether you currently work in a LKE area (listed in Annex B, page 8, para. 7.3) with a T1 licence or intend to work in an LKE area with one of the proposed acceptable equivalent qualifications (listed in Annex B, page 23) and will be affected the proposed requirement to revalidate local knowledge endorsements.
F Draft IA	p16 para. 6.3.2	Masters (of small vessels)	Please indicate whether you currently hold one of the proposed acceptable equivalent small vessel qualifications (listed in Annex B, pages 21-22) and operate in tidal waters and therefore will be affected by the proposal that all masters on tidal waters be required to hold a valid medical certificate to serve as a master.

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F Draft IA	p16 para. 6.3.2	Masters (of small vessels)	Please indicate whether you currently hold one of the proposed acceptable equivalent small vessel qualifications (listed in Annex B, pages 21-22) and undertake towing and pushing, or carry oil, chemical or liquefied gas in bulk and therefore will be affected by the proposal for masters of small vessels using alternative qualifications to obtain a BML specialist operations endorsement for certain operations.
F Draft IA	p17 para. 6.3.2	Operators and Boatmasters	Please indicate whether you currently operate vessels which transit waters of a higher category. If so, what is the length of the transit?
F Draft IA	p18 para. 6.3.4	Trainee Boatmasters (excluding trainees on the Thames)	If you are currently training towards a T1 BML and wish to operate in one of the LKE areas (listed in Annex B, page 8, para. 7.3), please indicate if you will benefit by this proposed measure that qualifying service time for an LKE can be counted concurrently with that for the generic T1 licence.
F Draft IA	p19 para. 6.3.4	Operators and Boatmasters	Please indicate how many masters would have used the proposed alternative measure to qualify for the large passenger endorsement if it had been available since 2007.
G List of consultees	Whole document	Everyone	Are there any parties missing from this list? If so please forward a copy of the consultation package to them and inform boatmaster@mcga.gov.uk as soon as possible.