



Qualifying Service Time (QST) and Minimum Age Requirements

Tier 1 Licences (separate generic + endorsements where appropriate)

| Generic Licence | Minimum Age | Qualifying Service Time | Minimum Qualifying Period |
|---|----------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Tier 1 Level 1 | 18 | 120 days | 12 months |
| Tier 1 Level 2 | 18 | 240 days | 24 months |
| Specialist Operations Endorsement | | | |
| General Passenger (Cat A and B Waters only) | 21 | 60 days | 6 months |
| General Passenger (Cat C and D waters and limited Coastal Area) | 21 | 120 days | 12 months |
| Large Passenger Vessel | 22 | 60 days | 6 months |
| Towing and Pushing (Cat A and B waters only) | 21 | 60 days | 6 months |
| Towing and Pushing (Cat C and D waters) | 21 | 120 days | 12 months |
| Cargo | 18 | 60 days | 6 months |
| Oil and Chemical Cargo | 18 | 60 days | 6 months |
| Dredging | 18 | 60 days | 6 months |
| Fast Craft | 21 | see note 1 | see note 1 |
| Radar | 18 | n/a | n/a |
| Local Knowledge Endorsement | | | |
| Port of London | n/a | 60 days | 6 months |
| Padstow Harbour | n/a | see note 2 | see note 2 |
| Portsmouth Harbour | n/a | 60 days | 6 months |
| Isles of Scilly | n/a | 60 days | 6 months |

Tier 2 Licence (area and operation is integral to the licence)

| Generic Licence | Minimum | Qualifying | Minimum |
|--------------------------------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|
| | Age | Service Time | Qualifying Period |
| Passenger: Carrying no more than 100 | 18 | see note 1 | see note 1 |
| Passenger: Carrying no more than 250 | 20 | see note 1 | see note 1 |
| Passenger: Carrying more than 250 | 21 | see note 1 | see note 1 |
| Non-Passenger Operations | 18 | see note 1 | see note 1 |

Note 1: Qualifying Service Time and Minimum Qualifying Period is at the surveyor's discretion at your local Marine Office

Note 2: 6 outward and inward voyages