MARINE INFORMATION NOTE



MIN 583 (M)

Maritime Labour Convention, 2006:

Food and Catering:

Recognised Qualifications in Food Hygiene or Food Safety in Catering for Ship's Cooks and Others Processing Food in the Galley

Notice to all Shipowners, Masters, Crewing Agents, Officers Seafarers and other shipboard personnel

This note should be read with Part 8 of the Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour Convention)(Minimum Requirements for Seafarers etc.) Regulations 2014 and Merchant Shipping Notice MSN 1846 (M) Maritime Labour Convention 2006, Food and Catering: Ship's Cooks and Catering Staff.

This MIN replaces MIN 559 (M) and expires 30th November 2019.

Summary

Part 8 of the Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour Convention) (Minimum Requirements for Seafarers etc.) Regulations 2014 (the "Minimum Requirements Regulations") introduce a requirement for all ship's cooks, catering staff and other persons processing food in the galley to be suitably qualified in food hygiene or food safety in catering.

The qualifications and awarding bodies which are listed in the Marine Information Note are those that fulfil the learning outcomes and assessment criteria set out in Annex 1 of Merchant Shipping Notice MSN 1846 (M).

Level 2 is the minimum acceptable level for ship's cooks, catering staff and other persons processing food in the galley.

1. Introduction

1.1 Under the Minimum Requirements Regulations all ship's cooks, catering staff and other persons processing food in the galley are to be suitably qualified in food hygiene or food safety in catering.



2. Training requirements for catering staff and other persons processing food in the galley (Regulation 40)

2.1 The shipowner must ensure that the ship's cook and any other person who processes food in the galley of a sea-going United Kingdom vessel is properly trained or instructed in food and personal hygiene, as well as safe handling and storage of food onboard ship, in accordance with the learning outcomes and assessment criteria set out in Annex 1 of Merchant Shipping Notice MSN 1846 (M). A ship's cook must also complete the additional learning outcomes and assessment criteria set out in Annex 2 and the Standards of Training Certification and Watchkeeping Safety Courses listed in section 3 of Merchant Shipping Notice MSN 1846 (M).

3. Recognised Food Hygiene/Food Safety Qualifications

3.1 The following is a list of those qualifications and awarding bodies which the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) currently recognises and accepts as fulfilling the requirements of the learning outcomes and assessment criteria as set out in Annex 1 of Merchant Shipping Notice MSN 1846 (M). All these qualifications are classroom based and are followed by an examination. Level 2 is the minimum acceptable level for ship's cooks, catering staff and other persons processing food in the galley.

(i) Table 1: Level 2 Courses

Qualification Number (where applicable)	Qualification Title	Owner Organisation Name	Owner Organisation (Short Name)	Qualification level
600/0343/1	Ascentis Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering	Ascentis	Ascentis	Level 2
501/1302/1	BIIAB Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering	BIIAB	BIIAB	Level 2
601/3746/0	BSC Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering	British Safety Council	BSC	Level 2
-	CIEH Foundation Certificate in Food Safety	Chartered Institute of Environmental Health	CIEH	Level 2
500/5186/6	City & Guilds Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering	City and Guilds of London Institute	City & Guilds	Level 2
500/8419/7	FDQ Level 2 Award in Food Safety for Catering	FDQ Limited	FDQ	Level 2
600/9385/7	FAA Level 2 Award In Food Safety in Catering	First Aid Awards Ltd	FAA	Level 2
600/1306/0	FAQ Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering	Future (Awards and Qualifications) Ltd	FAQ	Level 2
601/8269/6	GA Level 2 Award in Food Safety for Catering (RQF)	Gatehouse Awards Ltd	GA	Level 2
603/0967/2	Highfield Level 2 Award in Food Safety at Sea (RQF)	Highfield Qualifications	Highfield Qualifications	Level 2



	Highfield Level 2			Level 2
	Award in Food Safety	Highfield	Highfield	Level 2
603/2033/3	in Catering (RQF)	Qualifications	Qualifications	
003/2033/3	Highfield Level 2	Qualifications	Qualifications	Level 2
	Award in Food Safety			Level 2
	in Catering	Highfield	Highfield	
603/2043/6	(Refresher) (RQF)	Qualifications	Qualifications	
003/2043/0	iCQ Level 2 Award In	Qualifications	Qualifications	Level 2
	Food Safety in	iCan Qualifications		Level 2
601/7794/9	Catering (RQF)	Limited	iCQ	
001/1194/9	iCQ Level 2 Award in	Limited	ICQ	Level 2
	Maintaining Food			LeverZ
	Safety when Storing,			
	Preparing and	iCan Qualifications		
601/7793/7	Cooking Food(RQF)	Limited	iCQ	
001/1193/1	IQ Level 2 Award In	Limited	ICQ	Level 2
		Industry		Level 2
600/2214/0	Food Safety in Catering	Industry Qualifications	IQ	
000/2214/0	NOCN Level 2 Award	Qualifications	IQ	Level 2
				Level 2
CO4/44E7/4	in Food Safety in	NOCN	NOCN	
601/1157/4	Catering	NOCN	NOCN	110
	Open Awards Level 2			Level 2
000/4000/7	Award in Food Safety	0	O A	
603/1290/7	in Catering Pearson BTEC Level	Open Awards	Open Awards	Lavalo
		Dearson Education		Level 2
000/0007/V	2 Award in Food	Pearson Education	D	
600/3287/X	Safety in Catering	Ltd	Pearson	11 0
	ProQual Level 2	Dua Oval Avvandina		Level 2
000/0000/5	Award in Food Safety	ProQual Awarding	Dag Overl	
603/3328/5	Awareness	Body	ProQual	Lavalo
	QNUK Level 2 Award	Ovalifications		Level 2
CO2/004 C/2	in Food Safety for	Qualifications	ONILIIZ	
603/0816/3	Catering (RQF)	Network	QNUK	11 0
	QA Level 2 Award in			Level 2
C02/2504/V	Food Safety in	Oveleefe Awards	0.4	
603/2594/X	Catering (RQF)	Qualsafe Awards	QA	11 0
	Flammantam. Facel	Royal Environmental		Level 2
	Elementary Food	Health Institute of	DELIIO	
-	Hygiene	Scotland	REHIS	Lavalo
	RSPH Level 2 Award	Dovol Conicti for		Level 2
602/2205/4	in Food Safety and	Royal Society for	DODL	
603/2395/4	Hygiene	Public Health	RSPH	LovelO
	Skillsfirst Level 2			Level 2
602/2244/0	Award in Food	Ckillofizet Assessed at 1	Chilletinet	
603/3341/8	Hygiene	Skillsfirst Awards Ltd	Skillsfirst	LovelO
	TLM Level 2 Award in	The Lameter		Level 2
600/4224/0	Food Safety in	The Learning	T. M.	
600/4334/9	Catering	Machine	TLM	Lavalo
	TQUK Level 2 Award	Tueining		Level 2
604/0540/0	in Food Safety in	Training Ouglifications LIK Ltd	TOUZ	
601/2512/3	Catering (RQF)	Qualifications UK Ltd	TQUK	L avial C
	VTCT Level 2 Award			Level 2
000/4070/0	in Food Safety in	VTOT	VTOT	
600/4678/8	Catering	VTCT	VTCT	



(ii) Table 2: Level 3 Courses

Ofqual	Qualification	Owner	Owner Organisation	Qualification
Number	Title	Organisation	(Short Name)	level
(where		Name		
applicable)				
	AoFAQ Level 3 Award	Awarding		
	in Supervising Food	Organisation for		Level 3
004/4070/7	Safety in Catering	Accredited		
601/4956/5	(RQF)	Qualifications	AOFAQ	
	BIIAB Level 3 Award In			Level 3
000/5004/7	Supervising Food	DUAD	DUAD	
600/5224/7	Safety in Catering	BIIAB	BIIAB	110
	BSC Level 3 Award in	Duitiala Cafata		Level 3
004/0777/0	Supervising Food	British Safety	D00	
601/3777/0	Safety in Catering	Council	BSC	110
	CITII Interna diata	Chartered		Level 3
	CIEH Intermediate	Institute of		
	Certificate in Food	Environmental	OIFIL	
-	Safety FDQ Level 3 Award in	Health	CIEH	Level 3
				Level 3
600/4327/1	Supervising Food Safety in Catering	FDQ Limited	FDQ	
000/4327/1	FAA Level 3 Award in	rbQ Lillilled	FDQ	Level 3
	Supervising Food	First Aid Awards		Level 3
601/2681/4	Safety in Catering	Ltd	FAA	
001/2001/4	FAQ Level 3 Award in	Future (Awards	FAA	Level 3
	Supervising Food	and		Level 3
600/1367/9	Safety in Catering	Qualifications) Ltd	FAQ	
000/1307/3	Highfield Level 3	Qualifications) Ltd	1 / G	Level 3
	Award in Supervising			LCVCIO
	Food Safety at Sea	Highfield		
603/0968/4	(RQF)	Qualifications	Highfield Qualifications	
	Highfield Level 3			Level 3
	Award in Food Safety	Highfield		2010.0
603/2087/4	in Catering (RQF)	Qualifications	Highfield Qualifications	
	QNUK Level 3 Award		9	Level 3
	in Food Safety			
	Supervision for	Qualifications		
603/1022/4	Catering (RQF)	Network	QNUK	
	QA Level 3 Award in			Level 3
	Supervising Food			
	Safety in Catering			
603/0880/1	(RQF)	Qualsafe Awards	QA	
		Royal		Level 3
		Environmental		
	Intermediate Food	Health Institute of		
-	Hygiene	Scotland	REHIS	
	SafeCert Level 3			Level 3
	Award in Supervising			
000/5-22:-	Food Safety in			
603/2706/6	Catering (RQF)	SafeCert Awards	SafeCert	
	TQUK Level 3 Award in			Level 3
	Supervising Food	Training		
004/0000/5	Safety in Catering	Qualifications UK	TOUR	
601/2990/6	(RQF)	Ltd	TQUK	



(iii) Table 3: Level 4 Courses

Ofqual Number (where applicable)	Qualification Title	Owner Organisation Name	Owner Organisation (Short Name)	Qualification level
600/1368/0	FAQ Level 4 Award in Managing Food Safety in Catering	Future (Awards and Qualifications) Ltd	FAQ	Level 4
500/7327/8	Highfield Level 4 Award in Managing Food Safety in Catering (RQF)	Highfield Qualifications	Highfield Qualifications	Level 4
-	Diploma in Advanced Food Hygiene	Royal Environmental Health Institute of Scotland	REHIS	Level 4
603/2407/7	RSPH Level 4 Award in Managing Food Safety and Hygiene	Royal Society for Public Health	RSPH	Level 4
601/3364/8	TQUK Level 4 Award in Food Safety Management for Catering (RQF)	Training Qualifications UK Ltd	TQUK	Level 4

- 3.2 There are no generally available online courses recognised as meeting the assessment criteria and learning outcomes set out in Annex 1 of Merchant Shipping Notice MSN 1846 (M).
- 3.3 Some companies have been approved by the MCA to offer an in-house food hygiene/food safety course for their employees. In this context, where training is supervised, on-line elements may be accepted. These are not listed above but have been assessed and are accepted by the MCA as meeting the learning outcomes of Annex 1, MSN 1846 (M).

4. Chartered Institute of Environmental Health (CIEH)

- 4.1 The Chartered Institute of Environmental Health (CIEH) surrendered their recognition as a regulated awarding organisation 2016. This means that they have withdrawn from the regulatory structure used by Ofqual, Qualifications Wales (QiW), and Council for the Curriculum, Examination, and Assessment (CCEA). Under the provisions of the CIEH Charter they will carry out the regulation, approval, accreditation and monitoring of their own food safety courses.
- 4.2 CIEH offer updated food safety/hygiene courses at Levels 2 and 3. These are listed above in the tables given in section 3.
- **4.3** The table below lists the qualifications for the CIEH courses that are no longer available and were discontinued on the certification end date shown in the last column of the table below. The MCA will continue to accept these certificates issued before the certification end date shown below.

Qualification Number	CIEH Qualification title	Level	Certification End Date
600/0473/3	Award in Practical Food Safety for Catering	2	31 March 2017
500/5476/4	Award in Food Safety in Catering	2	23 June 2017



500/5475/2	Award in Supervising Food Safety in Catering	3	23 June 2017
500/5470/3	Award in Managing Food Safety in Catering	4	21 July 2017

5. Discontinued qualifications

5.1 The following is a list of qualifications that are no longer available. The MCA has previously recognised and accepted these certificates as fulfilling the learning outcomes and assessment criteria set out in Annex 1 of Merchant Shipping MSN 1846 (M). Applicants holding one of the certificates listed below can use it when applying for their Ship's Cook Certificate of Competency, provided it is issued before the certificate end date.

Qualification Number	Qualification Title	Owner Organisation Name	Owner Organisation (Short Name)	Certificate End Date
	ABC Level 2 Award In Food		,	31 March
601/1327/3	Safety in Catering (QCF)	ABC Awards	ABC	2015
	ASCENTIS Level 2 Award in			28 February
	Practical Food Safety in			2015
500/6524/5	Catering (QCF)	Ascentis	Ascentis	
	ASCENTIS Level 3 Award in Practical Supervision of Food Safety in Catering			28 February 2015
500/6530/0	(QCF)	Ascentis	Ascentis	
100/6227/0	OCNW Level 2 Award in Practical Food Safety in Catering	Ascentis	Ascentis	30 September 2011
	OCNW Level 3 Award in			30
	Practical Supervision of			September
100/6228/2	Food Safety in Catering	Ascentis	Ascentis	2012
500/5470/3	CIEH Level 4 Award in Managing Food Safety in Catering (QCF)	Chartered Institute of Environmental Health	CIEH	21 July 2017
500/5475/2	CIEH Level 3 Award in Supervising Food Safety in Catering (QCF)	Chartered Institute of Environmental Health	CIEH	23 June 2017
500/5476/4	CIEH Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering (QCF)	Chartered Institute of Environmental Health	CIEH	23 June 2017
500/1506/0	CIEH Level 4 Award in Managing Food Safety in Catering	Chartered Institute of Environmental Health	CIEH	30 November 2011
100/6075/3	CIEH Level 3 Award in Supervising Food Safety in Catering	Chartered Institute of Environmental Health	CIEH	30 November 2011
600/0473/3	CIEH Level 2 Award in Practical Food Safety for Catering (QCF)	Chartered Institute of Environmental Health	CIEH	31 March 2017



		City and		
	City & Guilds Level 3 Award	Guilds of		31
	in Supervising Food Safety in	London		December
500/5010/5			City & Cuildo	2017
500/5910/5	Catering (QCF)	Institute	City & Guilds	2017
		City and		
		Guilds of		
	City & Guilds Level 2 Award	London		31 March
100/6200/2	in Food Safety for Catering	Institute	City & Guilds	2013
		City and		
	City & Guilds Level 3 Award	Guilds of		
	in Supervising Food Safety	London		31 March
100/6201/4	for Catering	Institute	City & Guilds	2014
	FDQ Level 3 Award In		•	
	Practical Supervision of			30
	Food Safety in Catering			September
600/4326/X	(QCF)	FDQ Limited	FDQ	2015
000/4020/7	Gateway Qualifications Level	Gateway	100	31
	2 Award In Food Safety in	Qualifications	Gateway	December
601/1058/2	1	Limited		2017
601/1058/2	Catering	Limitea	Qualifications	2017
	McDonalds Level 3 Award in			00 4 1
500/0404/0	Supervising Food Safety in			30 April
500/8461/6	Catering (QCF)	McDonalds	McDonalds	2017
	NCFE Level 3 Award in			
	Practical Food Safety			
	Supervision for Catering			30 June
500/6195/1	(QCF)	NCFE	NCFE	2016
	NCFE Level 2 Award in			31
	Practical Food Safety for			December
500/6210/4	Catering (QCF)	NCFE	NCFE	2015
	NCFE Level 2 Award in			
	Practical Food Safety in			31 August
100/6220/8	Catering	NCFE	NCFE	2011
	NCFE Level 3 Award in			
	Practical Supervision of			31 August
100/6221/X	Food Safety in Catering	NCFE	NCFE	2012
100/0221/7	Pearson EDI Level 2 Award	NOI L	NOIL	30
E00/6360/9	in Food Safety in Catering	Doorson EDI	Doorson EDI	September
500/6260/8	(QCF)	Pearson EDI	Pearson EDI	2016
	Pearson EDI Level 2 Award			30
500/0004/0/	in Practical Food Safety in	D	D	September
500/6261/X	Catering (QCF)	Pearson EDI	Pearson EDI	2016
	Pearson EDI Level 3 Award			
	in Practical Food Safety			31
	Supervision for Catering			December
500/6266/9	(QCF)	Pearson EDI	Pearson EDI	2016
	EDI Level 2 Award in			
	Practical Food Safety in			31 August
100/5858/8	Catering	Pearson EDI	Pearson EDI	2011
	EDI Level 3 Award in			30
	Practical Supervision of			November
100/5859/X	Food Safety in Catering	Pearson EDI	Pearson EDI	2011
	EDI Level 2 Award in Food	·		30 June
500/1684/2	Safety in Catering	Pearson EDI	Pearson EDI	2011
333, 133 1/2	- Jaioty in Jatoling	. 54.5511 EDI	. 5a.5611 ED1	



	Pearson BTEC Level 3	Pearson	Pearson	
C00/2200/V	Award in Supervising Food	Education Ltd		30 June
600/3290/X	Safety in Catering Pearson BTEC Level 4	Pearson	Pearson	2017
600/3291/1	Award in Managing Food Safety in Catering	Education Ltd	T Carson	30 June 2017
	Pearson BTEC Level 2	Pearson	Pearson	
601/1145/8	Award in Practical Food Safety in Catering (QCF)	Education Ltd		31 March 2016
600/5460/8	Qualifi Level 2 Award in Food Safety for Food Handlers (VRQ)	Qualifi Ltd	QUALIFI	31 July 2015
600/3918/8	QNUK Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering (QCF)	Qualifications Network	QNUK	31 December 2016
600/8920/9	QA Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering (QCF)	Qualsafe Awards	QA	05 March 2018
500/1924/7	RIPH Level 4 Award in Managing Food Safety in Catering	Royal Institute of Public Health	RIPH	30 November 2011
100/1584/X	RIPH Advanced Certificate in Food Safety	Royal Institute of Public Health	RIPH	31 December 2009
500/1637/4	RIPH Level 3 Award in Supervising Food Safety in Catering	Royal Institute of Public Health	RIPH	30 November 2011
		Royal Society	RSPH	31
500/3768/7	RSPH Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering (QCF)	for Public Health		December 2010
500/5480/6	RSPH Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering	Royal Society for Public Health	RSPH	31 May 2018
500/5483/1	RSPH Level 3 Award in Supervising Food Safety in Catering	Royal Society for Public Health	RSPH	31 May 2018
500/5484/3	RSPH Level 4 Award in Managing Food Safety in Catering	Royal Society for Public Health	RSPH	31 July 2018
100/5848/5	RSPH Level 4 Award in Managing Food Safety in Catering	Royal Society for Public Health	RSPH	31 December 2011
100/5823/0	RSPH Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering	Royal Society for Public Health	RSPH	30 November 2010



100/5824/2	RSPH Level 3 Award in Supervising Food Safety in Catering		RSPH	30 November 2011
601/8306/8	RSPH Level 2 Foundation Award in Food Hygiene	Royal Society for Public Health	RSPH	31 July 2018

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