

STYWE LYNE

FRESH WATER SKIPPERS ACADEMY

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The Small Vessel Code lays out the differing levels of competence that a candidate must achieve in order to obtain a certificate for the level desired. The Code is the national standard and any person who desires to train or examine small vessel skippers shall adhere to the specifications and level of knowledge detailed therein

To operate a vessel, smaller or equal to 9 meters, on dams, rivers, sea and in harbours in South Africa, a skipper license is required. The penalties for operating without a license are high and inspectors are clamping down on those operating without a license.

Stywe Lyne Academy and its instructors are all registered with the South African Maritime Safety Authority (SAMSA) who issues the skipper licenses.

Courses are held in Pretoria and venues are dependent on the size of the class. Other towns can be arranged for classes of 10 and more.

The Academy offers the following two courses:

R-LICENSE – Dams and Rivers

R (restricted) licenses that allows the holder to sail on dams, rivers and where allowed, harbours in South Africa.

Requirements:

- Copy of ID document (must be 16 years or older)
- Two passport/id photos
- Medical certificate (See attached)
- Log of a minimum of 25 hours on dams and/or rivers. To be signed by the applicant/student. (See form attached)
- Attend an approved course.
- Pass the R-license exam paper.

E-LICENSE – 1 Nautical mile from the coast and maximum 15 nautical miles from port of entry.

Requirements:

- Copy of ID document (must be 16 years or older)
- Two passport/id photos
- Medical certificate. (See attached)
- Log of a minimum of 50 hours on the sea. To be signed by a licensed sea skipper. (See form attached)
- Copy of the E-licensed Skipper's license.
- Copy of the E-licensed Skipper's ID
- A sworn statement by the E-licensed Skipper that the hours reflected are correct and true.
- Attend an approved course
- Pass the E-License exam. The exam differs from the R-License exam and is \pm 1 hour longer.

The skipper's course is a one-day event and includes theory and a practical demonstration. We meet at 8am, have some coffee and start formally at 8:30. We normally finish between 3pm and 4pm.

On successful completion of the course, a temporary license, valid for 6 months, will be issued at the end of the course day. SAMSA will forward the permanent license during this 6 month period.

The temporary license can only be issued when all the documents are handed in. If all the documents are not ready on the day of the course, you will be granted a week to forward the outstanding documents after which the temporary license will be issued.

Course Fees:

R1,850.00 p/p in Pretoria

Manual.

The manual is part of the course fee. You will receive a copy at the venue but should you feel you need it before then, please contact us to arrange a copy.

NB

Please bring a ruler, pencil, pen, calculator and highlighter.

To book your seat, we will need an R500.00 deposit. Please use the following bank account:

Bank Details :

Bank: ABSA

Account Name: WJ Oosterhuis (Skippers)

Account Number: 9092 777 155

Branch Code: 63 20 05

Account Type: Savings

Reference: Your Name / Skipper

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

1. Can I write the E-license and upgrade at a later stage when I have enough hours?
Yes you can. You will be issued with a temporary R-license and will receive your permanent R-License from SAMSA. As soon as you can hand in you required hours, you can visit SAMSA , hand in your updated log sheet with the prescribed copies from the licensed E-skipper and request an upgrade. The upgrade cost in 2013 is R350.00.
2. What does the practical consists of?
The instructor will demonstrate and show the students the different components that were covered during the theory session. It is important to remember that the course is not designed to teach students how to launch and skip his/her boat. The course covers the rules, regulations and safety practices and not if you can launch your boat etc. Should you feel that you need a practical course on your boat, please discuss this with the instructor and he can arrange a hands-on practical session for you. This will obviously be at a fee.
3. What happens if I fail the exam?
The exam paper is divided in modules for which you must get 50% - 60% per module- depending on the module. Experience has shown us that in some cases students might have a problem with one module while flying through the other modules. We will invite the student back, revisit the module(s) and let him/she rewrite the module(s). This is at no extra costs. Please note – with more than 4,000 students through our class we only had to do this on +-6 occasions. It is the aim of the instructor to ensure that his students understand the material and can write the exam successfully. You do find people that clamp up when they have to write an exam or might have a condition like dyslexia, stress etc. and have difficulties in writing the exam. We have no problem in doing a one-to-one afterwards and assist in getting the information mastered.
4. Do I need to study beforehand?
The subjects are covered in detail during the theory session and are revisited during the practical session. We recommended that students have a good night's rest, do not stress and ask questions during the sessions should they not totally understand the subject. Should you feel you want to study beforehand,

DECLARATION

I, the Medical Practitioner,

- a) Declare the applicant for the purposes of handling and navigating a small power vessel limited at sea and all inland waters. Under or equal 9m.

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- b) Declare that all the particulars furnished by me on this form are true and correct.

SIGNATURE: _____

MEDICAL PRACTITIONER: _____

PLACE: _____

PROVINCE: _____

PRACTICE NAME: _____

PRACTICE TEL NO: _____

ADDRESS: _____

OFFICIAL STAMP

PARTICULARS OF CANDIDATE

SURNAME: _____

FULL NAMES: _____

I D NUMBER: _____

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: _____

POSTAL ADDRESS: _____

CONTACT NO: CELL NO: _____ HOME: _____

