

**Reference No**

054/069

Duration

2 weeks

Location

The
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Faculty, HMS
COLLINGWOOD

IELTS

6.0

Frequency

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GLOBAL MARITIME DISTRESS SAFETY SYSTEM GENERAL OPERATIONS CERTIFICATE (GMDSS GOC)

AIM OF COURSE

To prepare candidates for the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System General Operations Certificate (GMDSS GOC) iaw STCW 95 Regulations

OUTLINE SYLLABUS

- ◆ GMDSS safety of life at sea regulations
- ◆ GMDSS radio regulations
- ◆ Practical performance test for the following equipment:
 - (1) MF/HF transceiver
 - (2) DSC controller
 - (3) VHF transceiver
 - (4) Navtex receiver
 - (5) Telex (NBDP)
 - (6) Immarsat B and C, Fleet 77
 - (7) Keyboards for data entry
- ◆ Miscellaneous GMDSS equipment (inc EPIRB and SART)
- ◆ Distress altering procedures
- ◆ Miscellaneous skills and operational procedures for general communications, including Distress voice procedure and logging
- ◆ Assessment and discussion

ENTRY STANDARDS

- ◆ Available for all rates and ranks
- ◆ Preferably have basic knowledge of maritime radio communications practice and English language
- ◆ Preferably have reasonable keyboard skills
- ◆ Prior reading of relevant course information and basic communications
- ◆ **Note:** Where IELTS is at 5.5 it may be possible to arrange further assessment in order to meet the course requirements



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EXAMINATION/QUALIFICATION GAINED

The GMDSS General Operator's Certificate qualifies the holder to operate any suitable licensed marine radio-telephony, radio-telex or Maritime Mobile Earth Station onboard a GMDSS fitted vessel.

REMARKS

This course requires out of hours self study culminating in a final examination set out by the provisions in the radio regulations for the International Telecommunications Union (ITU).