INTERNATIONAL NAVIGATING OFFICERS’ COURSE (INOC)

AIM OF COURSE
To prepare officers for appointment as a Navigating Officer in a Corvette, MCMV or offshore Patrol Vessel.

OUTLINE SYLLABUS
- Passage planning
- Visual Pilotage
- Blind Pilotage and Radar
- Ship Handling
- Meteorology
- Relative velocity
- Navigation aids, GPS/Echo Sounders/Logs/Gyros
- International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea
- Practical instruction and assessment in a full mission Bridge Simulator conducting visual and blind pilotage by day and night
- Practical instruction and assessment in a Royal Navy warship (OPV/MM) conducting visual and blind pilotage by day and night working closely with the ships Commanding Officer, Navigator, Officer of the Watch and Bridge Team
- Warship Electronic Chart Display & Information System (WECDIS)
- Tides and Time
- Chartwork

ENTRY STANDARDS
- Senior Sub-Lieutenant or junior Lieutenant with the equivalent of the RN’s Bridge Watch-Keeping certificate with at least 2 years seagoing experience and 1000 hours of certified seagoing Bridge watchkeeping experience
- Eyesight standards are detailed at the front of the chapter
- Note: Where IELTS is at 5.5 it may be possible to arrange further assessment in order to meet the course
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EXAMINATIONS/QUALIFICATIONS GAINED

Continuous assessment and final examination to RN standards in:

- Rule of the Road
- Tides and time
- Chartwork and fixing
- General navigation and ship handling (Simulator)
- General navigation and ship handling (Sea)

Successful students will be awarded with a Pass, Pass with Merit, or Pass with Distinction.