

PILOT EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE

INFORMATION / REQUIREMENTS and APPLICATION FORM

Outline

Pilot Exemption Certificate is for the operation of a vessel of greater than 150 registered tonnes or greater than 24m if no GRT stated within designated areas of the port and arrival or departure from the port.

A Pilot Exemption certificate allows the holder of the certificate to Pilot a specific category of vessel provided they are the Master of the vessel. Pilot exemption certificates are area specific and for daylight hours only unless otherwise endorsed.

Pilot Exemption certificates are valid for two years and may be renewed automatically provided the holder has used the exemption to move their vessel within the port in the twelve months immediately preceding the renewal date.

Vessels moved using a Pilot Exemption certificate will appear on the normal shipping program and incur normal port charges.

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Hold a Master Class 3 certificate of competency or higher certificate (evidence and copy required)
- Present a written statement signed by the assigned Pilot(s) on each occasion to indicate that: Within two years prior to the application they were the Master or Chief Mate (on the bridge) of the vessel under the control of a Pilot:
 - On at least four occasions where the vessel was moved into the port; and
 - On at least four occasions where the vessel was moved out of the port.
- Hold a AMSA valid medical (evidence and copy required)

Assessment

Applicants must:

- Complete a supplied blank chart by identifying, illustrating, locating and naming the navigational information, including but not limited to:
 - Port limits
 - All navigation aids showing characteristics (i.e. sequence, lights shapes, colour etc)
 - Lead lights and alignment
 - Sector lights and arc of visibility
 - Transit alignments

- Prominent features (i.e. hills, towers, monuments etc)
- Navigable channels indicating design, depth and alignment
- Prominent sand banks
- Designated anchorage areas including prohibited areas
- Ship reporting positions
- Berths and design depths
- Underwater pipelines
- Swing Basins
- Oral examination covering:
 - Port frequencies (including tugs)
 - Tug capacities
 - Dynamic Under-Keel Clearance (DUKC)
 - Interaction with VTS
 - Channel rules
 - Bridge Resource Management
 - Incident reporting
 - Security
 - General Port information
 - Weather
 - Notice to Mariners and Navigation warnings
- Once the minimum number of observation trips with an assigned Pilot has been undertaken and the written and oral examinations successfully completed, a *Temporary Authority (Certificate of Local Knowledge)*, allowing advancement to practical training will be issued. During practical training the applicant will perform the role of the Exempt Master while under the instruction of a mentoring Pilot.
- Pass the practical component the applicant must complete at least;
 - 2 occasions where the vessel was moved into the port
 - 2 occasions where the vessel was moved out of the port
 - A check pilot
 - If the exemption is to be endorsed for night hours then at least one of the above occasions including the pilot check must be conducted at night
- On successful completion of the Pilot Check , the Check Pilot will submit an assessment report to the Harbour Master. The Harbour Master will then issue a Pilot Exemption Certificate for a specific vessel or class of vessels for either part or all of the compulsory pilot area.

Study Material

- Charts
 - AUS 112
 - AUS 113
 - AUS 117
- Handbook – “*General Information for Ships Masters*” - available online or from Fremantle Ports reception
- Sailing Directions
- Port Authorities Act and Regulations

Bookings:

Bookings should be made through 9430 3313. Prior to attendance “Application of Pilot Exemption” and evidence of Certificate of Competency are required to be submitted to confirm eligibility.

Three hours should be allowed for the exam.

Fee:

Application fee for Pilot Exemption examination: \$1,102.38 including GST (fee valid from 01/07/14 to 30/06/15).

FREMANTLE PORT AUTHORITY

Application for Pilotage Exemption

THE SECRETARY

I hereby request to be examined for a **Pilotage Exemption Certificate** for the Port of Fremantle.

The conditions, as laid down in Port Regulations 115-116 framed under the Port Authorities Act 1999, have been complied with and a requisite fee of one thousand, one hundred and two dollars and thirty eight cents (\$1,102.38) including GST, is attached (fee valid from 01/07/14 to 30/06/15).

Name:

Position (Master or Chief Officer):

Name of Ship:

Name of Company:

Signature of Applicant:

Department of Transport Certificate No:

Date of AMSA Medical Certificate:

FINANCIAL DIRECTOR

I hereby certify that the bearer

has passed a satisfactory examination for:

HARBOUR MASTER: _____ Date: _____

<u>For office use only</u> Receipt # _____	Amount _____	Paid on _____
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