

## **RYA Coastal Skipper/Yachtmaster Offshore**

Advanced training for more experienced skippers building on the Day Skipper course.

This course equips you to navigate safely on coastal and offshore passages. It allows some time for revision of the basics and then moves on to advanced navigation techniques.

### **Course Profile**

#### **Duration**

Non-residential course held throughout the year in two parts. Part One is three days in duration and Part Two is two days. There may be a gap between the two parts, usually one week but it may be more or less by agreement. The Course can also be held at your club providing a minimum of 6 delegates are available.

Each day starts at 09.00, finish at 18:00. Tea & coffee is provided throughout the day.

Lunch is not provided, please bring a packed lunch. There is a fridge available to keep your food cool.

#### **Number of delegates per course**

Maximum 8 delegates per course.

#### **Pre-Course Preparation**

Candidates must have completed to RYA Day Skipper Course.

#### **Qualification**

Successful candidates will receive the RYA Coastal Skipper/Yachtmaster Certificate.

## **Syllabus**

This course will take your theory knowledge to the standard required for the Coastal Skipper and Yachtmaster Offshore practical exams, concentrating on advanced navigation and meteorology skills.

As with the Day Skipper shore based course, the RYA's specially designed chart plotter software will be used during the course to give you a realistic taste of modern electronic navigation.

Students in the southern hemisphere can take advantage of the southern hemisphere version of our training materials, ensuring that your course is relevant to you.

The course is taught over 40 hours with three exam papers. It can be covered as a series of short sessions, as an intensive week-long course, or by distance learning.

### **Course topics include:**

- position fixing
- course shaping and plotting
- tidal knowledge
- use of almanacs and admiralty publications
- electronic position finding equipment
- taking and interpreting forecasts
- plotting weather systems
- weather predictions using a barometer and by observation
- collision regulations
- customs and excise regulations for cruising abroad

The time spent on each topic will be tailored to the group's knowledge. Topics may be revisited if necessary.