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APPLICATION: YACHT MASTER OFFSHORE SAILING EXAMINATION (SK05)

SURNAME		FIRST NAME	
ID NUMBER		AGE	
NATIONALITY		PASSPORT NO	
POSTAL ADDRESS		TELEPHONE NUMBERS	
		Home	
		Office	
EMAIL		Mobile	
		Fax	
SAS MEMBERSHIP NUMBER (required for a member's discount)		YACHT CLUB MEMBERSHIP	
SAILING SCHOOL ATTENDED IN PREPARATION		SAMSA/SAS EYE TEST	
		Passed visual acuity? (YES/NO)	
		Passed colour vision? (YES/NO)	

QUALIFYING MILES AS SKIPPER/ACTIVE CREW		EXISTING SAS/CASA QUALIFICATIONS	
As crew		SAS/CASA	
As watch captain		Qualification	
Total miles		Certificate No	
Night hours on watch		Date Issued	

QUALIFYING OVERNIGHT PASSAGES OF 100 NAUTICAL MILES OR MORE AS A SKIPPER			
	Passage 1	Passage 2	Passage 3
Departure date			
Departure port			
Arrival date			
Arrival port			
Vessel name			
Skippers name			
Nautical Miles			

YACHT BEING USED FOR PRACTICAL EXAMINATION			
Name		Type	
Location		Length	

I hereby declare that the above information is true and correct.

Signature of candidate

Date of signature



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GENERAL INFORMATION FOR YACHT MASTER OFFSHORE CANDIDATES

BOOKING OF EXAMINATIONS

Unless it is an end of course examination arranged by a South African Sailing (SAS) approved school, all examinations must be booked through a SAS Regional office. This office will be responsible for appointing an examiner. Any exam booked by a candidate directly with an examiner will be deemed to be invalid.

EXAMINATION FEES

The examination fees are listed on the SAS website. The application form will not be processed until the examination fee has been paid. Should you wish to deposit the money directly into the SAS account you are welcome to do so.

Bank:	Standard Bank Thibault Square	Branch No:	020 909
Account No:	070 883 025	As reference please use SKO5 followed by your surname e.g. SKO5 Smith	

To qualify for the SAS member's discount you must be registered on the SAS database as a paid up member of SAS.

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED THAT SHOULD ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION

- Proof of payment
- Copy of your SAS or SAMSA eye test
- Copy of your log book
- A clearly recognisable copy of your SA ID Document or your foreign passport.
- 2 x Identification colour photographs (23mm x 29mm)
- Copy of your VHF certificate
- A copy of your Level 1 first aid certificate
- A copy of your SAS or CASA Coastal Skipper's COC

You may proceed with your examination without a VHF certificate / first aid certificate provided you have booked for these. You will not be able to get your Yachtmaster Offshore certificate until you have completed these formalities.

EYE TEST

The eye test must be completed by a registered optician using the SAS form that can be downloaded from the "Prerequisites" page. The test doesn't take long and most opticians will not charge for the service. SAMSA have ruled that colour blind candidates may not qualify beyond Day Skipper as they consider colour vision to be essential for night sailing.

QUALIFYING MILES, HOURS AND NIGHT ENTRIES

Qualifying miles are the total nautical miles logged on a sailing vessel at sea as skipper or as an active member of crew. However qualifying night hours are only those hours spent on watch at night from sunset to sunrise. Qualifying passages must be overnight passages of 100 nautical miles or more as skipper of a sailing vessel.

TIME LIMIT FOR EXAM COMPLETION

The candidate has six months from the date of application to complete the full examination.

EXAMINATION ARRANGEMENTS

The examiner will contact you to make arrangements for the exam.

CHARTWORK EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS

- Chart 3002 unused
- Portland plotter, parallel ruler, dividers, soft pencil and a soft rubber.
- An examination pad (square paper is useful for interpolation) and a pen.
- SAS Yachtmaster Offshore Exercise & Navigation Tables.
- Calculator with a square root button.

All chartwork must be completed in pencil but all workings and answers on the answer sheet must be completed in pen. Mobile phones and laptop computers may not be brought into the exam room.

PRACTICAL EXAMINATION

It is the candidate's responsibility to provide a yacht and crew for the practical. If there is insufficient wind / unpleasant conditions to test the candidate's sailing ability the examiner may decide to postpone the exam.

NOTIFICATION OF RESULTS

The examiner will recommend a pass or a fail to the senior examiner. The final decision lies with the senior examiner who may request a discussion with the candidate for quality control reasons.

