

NWVYC Training

A Qualification Opportunity for Club Members

Are you a Sailor with lots of experience but no formal qualifications? The ICC (international Certificate of Competence) may be a useful qualification, particularly if sailing abroad or chartering. The Club is now in the position to be able to assess members for this qualification.

What is an ICC?

The ICC is the only international evidence of competence for Skippers in charge of Leisure Vessels. If you have a day skipper qualification or above, then an ICC may be obtained by sending a copy of your certificate with an application and certificate fee (free for RYA members) to the RYA. Otherwise, an assessment can be done on your own boat. For more detailed information and application forms go to <http://www.rya.org.uk/infoadvice/boatingabroad/icc/Pages/default.aspx>.

Assessment for club members

The assessment will take a day. It will be for ICC Coastal Waters (Sail). It is made up of 2 parts.

Part 1 – Oral Assessment covering -

- Regulations
- Safety
- Pilotage
- Navigation

Part 2 – Practical Assessment of Boat Handling covering –

- Start
- Departing the pontoon
- Turning in a confined space under power
- Securing to a Buoy
- Man overboard
- Handling under sail
- Coming alongside a windward pontoon

Costs

For Club members there is no cost for the assessment. The RYA charge a certification fee to non RYA members, this about the same as one year's membership.

What to do next

- Download an application form from the RYA website (address above).
- Have a look at the form to see what is required.
- Contact me, training@nwvyc.org.uk, to arrange for the assessment.

A useful book from RYA Publications: RYA Code G81 ICC Handbook by Rob Gibson

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