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**Assessment Requirements for MARC041
Operate and monitor marine internal
combustion engines, propulsion plant and
auxiliary systems**

Release: 1

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Modification History

Release 1. New unit of competency. Licensing/regulatory information has been incorporated in accordance with Regulatory requirements. Assessment Requirements have been strengthened in accordance with Regulatory requirements.

Performance Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria on at least one occasion and include:

- applying work health and safety (WHS)/occupational health and safety (OHS) and pollution control, legislation and policies
- identifying constructional parts of marine internal combustion engines
- maintaining logs, including:
 - maintenance logs
 - oil record book
 - running logs
- managing:
 - cooling systems
 - lubricating systems and preventing pollution of marine environment
 - pumping systems and preventing pollution of marine environment
 - stowage of flammable or explosive materials and refrigerant gases
- operating main propulsion plant and auxiliary systems within recommended parameters
- preparing vessel and machinery for sea
- recognising and rectifying operational faults
- securing vessel and machinery after voyage
- taking action in the event of malfunction or emergency.

Knowledge Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria and include knowledge of:

- action taken in the event of malfunction or emergency, including:
 - fire
 - flooding
 - main engine failure

- steering failure
- bilge pumping for vessels with several compartments
- causes and effects of vibration and undue wear
- characteristics of flammable/explosive materials, including:
 - liquid fuels
 - liquefied petroleum gas (LPG)
- common faults:
 - in steering gear
 - of deck machinery
- construction of heat exchangers
- controllable pitch propellers (CPP) operation
- coolant circulation and thermostats
- corrosion prevention
- cross connections between:
 - bilge or ballast or seawater systems and fire main
 - seawater systems and bilge systems
- dangers associated with:
 - back-flooding and methods to prevent back-flooding
 - LPG and petrol vapours
 - refrigerant gas leaks in confined spaces
- diesel engine:
 - construction
 - fuel injection, timing and control equipment
 - operation
- dry sump and wet sump lubrication systems and components
- electrohydraulic steering gear
- engine:
 - protection arrangements
 - performance and reasons for lack of performance
- engine room hazards and their minimisation
- environmental responsibilities, regulations and legislative requirements
- gearbox fault identification and emergency operation
- governor operation
- hazards of refrigerants
- heat exchanger, keel cooler and raw water cooling systems
- lubrication and cooling:
 - effects of gearboxes
 - lubricating oil system faults
- marine two-stroke and four-stroke engines
- method of propulsion plant reversal including CPP

- operation of marine gearboxes
- other flammable gases
- polluting substances and their effect on the environment, including:
 - chemicals
 - excessive noise
 - exhaust emissions
 - fuel and oil overboard
 - pumping bilges
 - refrigerant gas
 - sewage
- preparations and checks necessary before sailing
- pressure and flow regulators
- procedures and requirement for operating main propulsion plant and auxiliary systems within recommended parameters, including:
 - cooling systems
 - fuel systems
 - gearbox
 - lubricating systems
 - pumping systems
 - refrigeration systems
 - steering systems
- pump capabilities and requirements for priming
- refrigeration system and components
- relevant state/territory training and qualification requirements for carrying out installation, maintenance and/or repair of refrigeration equipment especially with regard to preventing the escape of refrigerants into the atmosphere
- refrigerant gas
- routine for operating and maintaining steering systems
- seawater circulating systems
- securing vessel after voyage
- ship side valves
- shutting down machinery
- sterndrive and water jet drive units
- storage of LPG cylinders
- testing:
 - LPG detectors
 - steering gear
- turbo charging and supercharging arrangements
- two- and four-stroke cycles of operation
- types and operation of deck machinery, including basic hydraulic systems
- types of:

- gear trains
- pumps and safety devices
- watchkeeping duties
- WHS/OHS and pollution control, legislation and policies.

Assessment Conditions

Assessors must satisfy applicable regulatory requirements, which include requirements in the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment. As a minimum, assessment must satisfy applicable regulatory requirements, which include requirements in the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment. Assessment processes and techniques must be appropriate to the language, literacy and numeracy requirements of the work being performed and the needs of the candidate.

Practical assessment must occur in a workplace, or realistic simulated workplace, under the normal range of workplace conditions. Simulations and scenarios may be used where situations cannot be provided in the workplace or may occur only rarely, in particular for situations relating to emergency procedures and adverse weather conditions where assessment would be unsafe, impractical or may lead to environmental damage.

Resources for assessment must include access to:

- applicable documentation, such as legislation, regulations, codes of practice, workplace procedures and operational manuals
- a commercial vessel with inboard diesel propulsion power of ≥ 150 kW or an appropriate internal combustion engine, propulsion plant and auxiliary systems ashore
- tools, equipment, machinery, materials and relevant personal protective equipment (PPE) currently used in industry.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=772efb7b-4cce-47fe-9bbd-ee3b1d1eb4c2>