Masters, Mates and Engineer Licenses

Links to applicable regulations

46 CFR 15.805 - Masters
46 CFR 15.810 - Mates
46 CFR 15.820 - Chief Engineers
46 CFR 15.825 - Asst Engineers
46 CFR 15.705 - Watch requirements
Marine Safety Manual Vol III - Manning uninspected vsls
46 USC 8103(i) - Citizenship
MOC Policy Ltr 1-02 - Citizenship waivers
HQ Memo Jun 2005 - Citizenship waivers

Checklist for this item

	This vessel is required to have a licensed Master with an appropriate valid license for the vessel and its route.
	If the vessel operates for more than 12 hours a person assigned by the Master to navigate the vessel is required to hold an appropriate valid license as a Mate.
	If someone is on board performing the duties of a chief engineer, that person is required to hold the appropriate license for the vessel and its route as a chief engineer.
	If any engineering space requires a watch for more than 24 hours, there must be appropriately licensed assistance engineer(s) on board.
	It is the responsibility of the Master to determine watch rotations aboard the vessel
	Unlicensed seaman at least 75 % are required to be a US citizen or
	• An alien lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence Green Card).
	• **up to 25% of unlicensed seaman (including fish processors) can be**:
	o Any other **alien** allowed to be employed under the Immigration and Nationality Act **(H-2B Work Visa)**