

## Merchant Marine Examination Updates

The information herein is a summary of examination changes based on the updated Deck and Engineering subject matter tables in 46 CFR, which were effective as of March 24, 2014.

Changes to deck examination modules include the insertion and removal of topics based on the subject matter tables found in 46 CFR 11.910 and 46 CFR 11.920. Additional changes include the standardization of modules comprising examinations and the number of questions in each module. Examinations may require additional modules or fewer modules based on the specific requirements of each endorsement.

Standard Deck Examinations will consist of the following modules:

Rules of the Road (Inland and International or Inland)	50 questions
Deck Safety	50-70 questions
Deck General	50-70 questions
Navigation General: (Route Specific)	50-70 questions
Navigation Problems: Chart Plot	10-15 questions
Navigation Problems: (Route Specific)	10-15 questions

Changes to both the QMED and Engineering Officer Examination modules include the insertion and removal of topics based on the subject matter tables found in 46 CFR 11.950 and 46 CFR 12.505.

Notable changes to engine examination modules include:

**Gas Turbine Plants:** In response to the Gas Turbine topic requirements found in 46 CFR 11.950, the following modules have been added to the Unlimited and Limited engineering endorsement examinations:

Gas Turbine Plants - First Assistant Engineer	70 Questions
Gas Turbine Plants - Third Assistant Engineer	70 Questions
Gas Turbine Plants Renewal, Unlimited	70 Questions
Gas Turbine Plants - Chief Engineer, Limited	70 Questions
Gas Turbine Plants - Assistant Engineer, Limited	70 Questions
Gas Turbine Plants - DDE, Unlimited	70 Questions
Gas Turbine Plants - DDE-1000/4000 HP	70 Questions
Gas Turbine Plants Renewal, Limited	70 Questions

**General Subjects:** In response to the Management Level topic requirements found in 46 CFR 11.950, the following Unlimited and Limited engineering modules have been modified to include relevant management questions:

General Subjects II - First Assistant Engineer	70 Questions
General Subjects - Chief Engineer, Limited	70 Questions
General Subjects - Chief Engineer, OSV	70 Questions
General Subjects - Chief Engineer, UFIV	70 Questions
General Subjects - Chief Engineer, MODU	70 Questions

**Junior Engineer:** In response to the topic requirements found in 46 CFR 12.505, the QMED-Junior Engineer examination has been modified to include the following modules:

Junior Engineer, Part I	70 Questions
Junior Engineer, Part II	70 Questions

**Oiler:** In response to the topic requirements listed found in 46 CFR 12.505, and the elimination of the Oiler-Limited examination; the Oiler examination has been modified to include the following modules:

Oiler, Part I	70 Questions
Oiler, Part II	70 Questions