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Dear Mr Stevens,

In response to your recent request I am writing to confirm that the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) accepts RYA training for Yachtmaster Ocean and Yachtmaster Offshore as acceptable pathways towards the issue of UK Certificates of Competency for Master 200gt.

The MCA also accepts RYA training as being suitable for skippers of UK registered vessels operating under the harmonised codes of practice for small commercial vessels (less than 24m registered length).

The full range of RYA training courses accepted by the MCA is contained in the attached list.

As a provider of training which may lead to the issue of a UK Certificate of Competency the RYA is subject to periodic audits by the MCA.

Yours sincerely,

John Astbury CBE
Acting Chief Executive



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The Royal Yachting Association is authorised by the MCA to issue the following certificates:

- * RYA/MCA Yachtmaster Ocean Certificate of Competence
- * RYA/MCA Yachtmaster Offshore Certificate of Competence
- * RYA/MCA Coastal Skipper Certificate of Competence
- * RYA/MCA Day Skipper Certificate of Competence
- * RYA Advanced Powerboat
- * RYA Powerboat Level 2
- RYA/MCA Day Skipper/Coastal Skipper/Yachtmaster Shorebased Course completion certificate
- RYA/MCA Short Range Certificate. Marine VHF Radio Operators certificate
- RYA Basic Sea Survival
- RYA First Aid
- RYA Diesel Engine
- International Certificate of Competence for operator of pleasure craft

* commercial endorsements may be added to these certificates to enable their professional use in relation to UK codes of practice for small commercial vessels.