



## How to book a Cruising Instructor Course

As a sail or Motor Cruising Recognised Training Centre, you are able to run Cruising Instructor Courses at your centre utilising the Team of Cruising Instructor trainers.

The Cruising Instructor course is 5 days long for sail and 4 days long for power.

The last day of the Cruising Instructor course must be moderated by either a Cruising Instructor Trainer (CIT), or a Yachtmaster Instructor Trainer (YMIT).

If you are wanting a YMIT to moderate the course we need as much notice as possible to try and source one for you.

If you do not know two CITs you can request the list of current CIT's from [training@rya.org.uk](mailto:training@rya.org.uk) (please note we will only send this list to recognised training centres).

As part of the course all candidates will be assessed or instructed in the following areas:

1. Sailing ability (CI sail only) (assessed)
2. Motoring ability (assessed)
3. Do theory (knows it and can teach it) (assessed)
4. Observational skills (Taught and then assessed)
5. Teaching ability (Taught and then assessed)
6. Debriefing skills (Taught and then assessed)
7. A suitable role model for the RYA (Taught and then assessed)

This is a course and as such there will be instruction, however it is expected that practical and theory skills are that of a high standard of Yachtmaster offshore prior to the start of the course

1. Go to <http://goo.gl/forms/1nGcRKxHFI> in order to submit your course request.
2. We will then check the Instructor and Moderator are both Cruising Instructor Trainers (and Yachtmaster Instructor Trainers), the training centre is recognised to deliver the relevant discipline (Sail or Power), and that the yacht is listed on the Training Centre list of vessels.
3. If all is well, we will then respond to you with notification that the course is approved, or we may come back to you for clarification.
4. We will then place your course on our website here: -



<http://www.rya.org.uk/coursestraining/coachestrainersinstructors/instructors/cruising/Pages/cruisingandyminstructors.aspx>

**Cruising instructors**

*The RYA Cruising Instructor Course is for experienced RYA Yachtmaster™ Offshore skippers to be able to gain the skills required to instruct practical courses up to the level of RYA Day Skipper.*

**Length of course:** 5 days (sail) / 4 days (motor) organised globally by recognised sail or motor cruising centres. Online pre-coursework and knowledge check is required prior to attending the practical course.

**Pre-requisites:**

1. Candidates must hold a current commercially endorsed RYA/MCA Yachtmaster™ Offshore Certificate of Competence and be an experienced skipper.
2. Candidate's theoretical and practical knowledge should be well in excess of the RYA Yachtmaster™ Offshore Certificate of Competence.
3. Candidates must also complete the online pre-course knowledge check, access to this will be arranged by the training centre which organises the practical course.

The first step in teaching within the practical cruising scheme is to become qualified as an RYA Cruising Instructor, before moving up to the Yachtmaster™ Instructor qualification. Both qualifications can be taken in sail and motor cruisers, and the certificate will be endorsed accordingly.

This is a five day (sail) or four day (motor) course with a second trainer joining on the final day as course moderator.

It is expected that candidates are already experienced RYA Yachtmaster™ Offshore skippers. It would be unlikely a newly qualified RYA Yachtmaster™ Offshore would pass an RYA Cruising Instructor course unless already an instructor in another discipline, and having a very good depth of knowledge and experience.

Due to the short time available on this course, there is limited opportunity to fill any gaps in knowledge. This RYA Cruising Instructor course is a blend of assessing the candidate's knowledge, providing a structured framework to instruct, coach, observe and deliver constructive feedback and ensure the structure and standards required of RYA courses up to Day Skipper Practical are understood. Candidates must therefore ensure **they have sufficient underpinning** knowledge prior to attending this course/assessment.

**Cruising Instructor course dates**

An effective instructor must have credibility with students and a genuine interest and

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**Cruising Instructor Course Sail - Southampton**

**When** Aug 31 – Sep 4, 2015

**Where** Shamrock Quay, William Street, Southampton SO14 5QL, United Kingdom ([map](#))

**Description** Please Contact Stormforce Coaching:  
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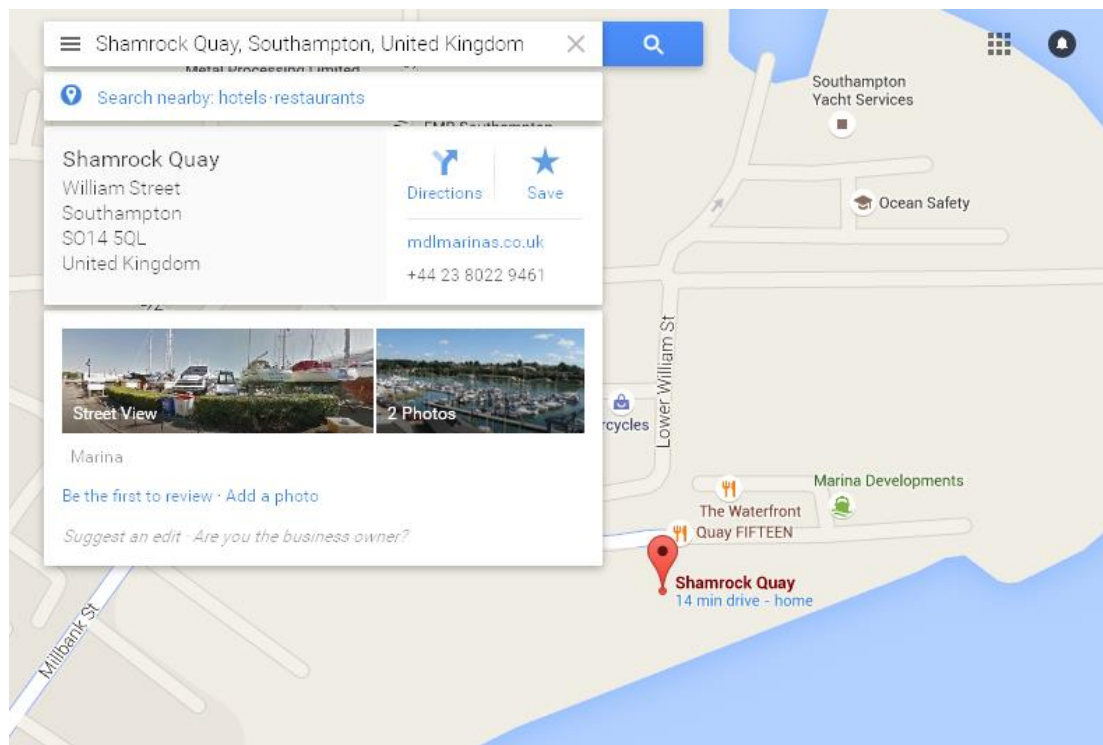
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