



Resources on Marine Careers

MARITIME PROFESSIONAL TRAINING (MPT)

<https://www.mptusa.com>

MPT offers all levels of certification, license, and document study programs; many offer in-school testing and are USCG Approved and recognized by many foreign administrations. Their training programs are designed to meet and exceed IMO standards and are STCW Compliant.

- For merchant career information:
<https://www.mptusa.com/merchant-careers>
- For yachting career information:
<https://www.mptusa.com/yachting-careers>

YACHT SERVICE TECHNICIAN APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

<https://www.miasf.org/apprentice-program>

The Yacht Service Technician Apprenticeship Program offers a high wage, high skill, and high demand career path that fills a specific need for skilled workers in the marine industry. Working closely with MIA SF and local employers, Atlantic Technical College developed a robust curriculum that includes rigging, forklift and crane operations, pipefitting/plumbing, welding/fabricating, carpentry, painting, and more.

SALTY JOBS

<https://saltyjobs.org>

A comprehensive site to raise awareness about jobs and career paths available in the marine industry

NORTHROP & JOHNSON

<https://www.northropandjohnson.com/crew-placement>

Specializes in placing crew members on yachts and guiding successful careers; provides helpful job search tools for crews

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

<https://www.dco.uscg.mil/nmc/twic>

Information and details on applying for a Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) that is required to work at sea

THE PROFESSIONAL YACHTING ASSOCIATION

<https://www.pya.org>

Provides career advice, certification and verification information, application support and more for those interested in or already a part of the yachting industry around the world



DOCKWALK

<https://www.dockwalk.com>

Information for captains and crew including salary, job listings, career tips and up-to-date industry news

STAR CENTER

<https://www.star-center.com>

A not-for-profit division of the Safety & Education Plan of American Maritime Officers (AMO), the largest maritime labor organization for licensed merchant mariners in the USA providing training and continuing education

MARITIME INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND GRADUATE STUDIES

<https://www.mitags.org>

Provides training, courses, and apprenticeships for water and land-based maritime careers

RESOLVE MARITIME ACADEMY

<https://resolveacademy.com/courses>

Intensive maritime training courses and simulations are taught by active firefighting and response professionals



Planning for the Future

Embark on Your Career at Sea

If a career in yachting sounds like something you might be interested in, you can get ready for the adventure on land! Skills you develop on shore are valuable to employers who want to create luxury aboard yachts and other vessels. Strong skills and experience in hospitality, fishing, and water sports can make you a more attractive crew member.

- *Love hospitality?* Take a job at a restaurant to get experience serving or working in the kitchen. Hotel work can also give you experience for being part of the interior team.
- *Feel at home underwater?* Get scuba or diving certified.
- *Fishing trips your idea of paradise?* Learn more about how to lead groups on excursions.
- *Enjoy fixing things?* Working with any kind of engine or electronics can open doors.



Ready to get started?

There are some requirements from the U.S. Coast Guard for any potential crew member.

- Apply for a Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) card at www.tsa.gov/twic
 - You must be 19 to begin this process.*
 - This will include a fee and background check, but is necessary for anyone working on the water in the U.S.
- Make an appointment at a TWIC application center. You will need a driver's license, birth certificate, or passport, and the fee amount, which varies.
- Look into a training school as some positions on board require specialized training and certifications. For example, Basic Safety Training qualification comprises five modules which include personal survival training, firefighting, first aid and CPR, personal safety and social responsibility, and proficiency in security awareness. More information is available at captainsandyawn.com/maritime-training. You can also see what basic safety training is like at www.youtube.com/watch?v=QXMARWYd_g&t=2s.
- Check out maritime safety training options at www.osha.gov/maritime/training.

Continued training will make you more desirable as a crew member, open doors to new opportunities, and raise your salary. Maritime training institutes and the Coast Guard have training opportunities for working on water: www.gocoastguard.com/get-started/basic-training

***Remember:**
Hone those skills that will be valuable on board in the meantime. A great crew is a crew with lots of different skills, ready for any adventure.

