



Board of Examinations for Seafarers Trust

Eligibility Criteria for IV Exam - Deck Side Exam under IV Act-1917

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Eligibility criteria required for appearing IV examination under IV Act 1917 – Deck Side

Deck Side	Serang	2 nd class Master	1 st class Master
Age	Minimum 21 years at the time of application	Minimum 24 years at the time of application (+) COC.	Minimum 25 years (+) COC as 2 nd class Master.
Note:-	COC issued from other state & endorsed by IWT is also applicable for candidate to appear in IV Exam in West Bengal		
Nationality	Indian		
Sea service from West Bengal waters only.	5 years (in which 1 year as helmsman)	3 years as Helmsman (282 BHP) or 3 years as Certified Serang (110 BHP) or 2 years Certified Serang (110 BHP) plus 2 year Helmsman (any BHP on IV)	2 years as Master- In-charge(any BHP) / 4 years sea service after holding COC as 2 nd Master or 1 year sea service as 2 nd Mate having COC of 2 nd Mate (under MS Act) or 6 months sea service as 2 nd Mate having COC of 1 st Mate (under MS Act) (Note – Minimum age for 2 nd mate or 1 st Mate COC holder, should be 22 Yrs. at the time of application.)
	The candidates belonging to Government and Semi-government establishments shall obtain their Sea Service Certificates, issued and duly signed by a gazette officer of that establishment and stamped.		
All private candidates must prepare a Notarized Affidavit on Rs. 100/- Non- Judicial Stamp Paper of their exact Sea Services and attach the original Affidavit to their original Sea Service Certificates and send the same along with their Application forms			
Educational Requirement	*8 th Pass (VIII - Pass)	SSC Pass from the recognized board	SSC Pass from the recognized board
Medical requirement	Original Eye Sight test and color blindness Test by DG approved Medical Examiner	Original Eye Sight test and color blindness Test by DG approved Medical Examiner	Original Eye Sight test and color blindness Test by DG approved Medical Examiner
Registration	Vessel must be registered with authorised registrar of the respective geographical regions.		
Remarks	If failed, further 3 months service required on same position		

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* For the benefit of traditional seafarers / backwards IV - candidates, who have not acquired the required educational qualification due to any reason, the requirement of educational qualification of such candidates has been waived off. Such candidates will be made eligible for appearing in the examination provided they put up **double Sea service** as applicable than the candidates having the required educational qualification. The purpose of this is to allow him to develop his knowledge required for the requisite examination.