

Board of Examinations for Seafarers Trust

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for MMB Candidates

Q.1) Who is the Fresh candidate?

Ans: The Fresh candidate is s/he who is applying for the examination first time.

Or

Who has failed in the examination/s, held before June 2019 examination?

Q.2) Who is the Failed candidate?

Ans: The Failed candidate is s/he who has failed in the June 2019 and subsequent examinations held after June 2019 either in Written examination or Oral examination.

Q.3) If the candidate has failed in the examination before June 2019, can this candidate now, apply as the Failed candidate?

Ans: No. This candidate has to apply as the Fresh candidate.

Q.4) How shall a fresh candidate apply for the examination?

Ans: BES will put up the schedule of the examinations for a calendar year on its website <https://www.seafarers.edu.in> around the end of December. BES will upload the Notice for the fresh candidate accordingly to apply.

Q.5) How shall a failed candidate apply for the examination?

Ans: BES will put up the schedule of the examinations for a calendar year on its website <https://www.seafarers.edu.in> around the end of December. BES will upload the Notice for the failed candidate accordingly to apply.

Q.6) What are the documents/certificates required to be attached to the Fresh Candidates Application Form?

Ans: The Documents / Certificates required to be attached are mentioned under Section (7) – in **Fresh candidate's Application Form**.

Q.7) What are the documents / certificates required to be attached to the Failed Candidate's Application Form?

Ans: The Documents / Certificates required to be attached are mentioned under Section (5) in **Failed Candidates Application Form**.

Q.8) How shall I send my completed Application Form to BES?

Ans: By writing the Address of BES on the envelope as mentioned in the Notice and sending through Speed post or Courier company.

Q.9) What are the modes of the examination?

Ans: The modes of the examination are written and oral. The candidate appears first, the written examination. If it is passed, then, appears the Oral examination.

Q.10) Which language shall I appear the examination?

Ans: In any one of the three languages – Marathi, Hindi and English. The language opted has to be mentioned in the Application Form.

Q.11) What is the passing percentage of the examination?

Ans: 50% in Written as well as Oral.

Q.12) What are the photograph requirements for applying?

Ans: The photograph should be in color and of the size 30mm X 40 mm. The photo-print should be clear and taken on **plain white or off-white background**. It should have full face, front view and eyes open. Photo should present full head.

Q.13) How many photographs are required?

Ans: Three

Q.14) What are the fees that I have to pay?

Ans:

- a) The fresh candidate pays first the Assessment Fee. If is made eligible, pays the Examination fee and finally, if passes, then, pays the Certification fee.
- b) The failed candidate pays examination fee and finally if, passes pays the certification fee.
- c) The amount to be paid as fee will be given in the Notice.

Q.15) Can I appear the ORAL examination if I failed in written examination?

Ans: No. One has to pass the written examination to appear for the oral examination.

Q.16) When shall I be declared “Pass”?

Ans: When you will finally pass the oral examination by securing a minimum 50% of marks, you will be declared “Pass”.

Q.17) What are the statuses of the candidate after his/her Application Form has been assessed by BES?

Ans: Eligible or Hold or Not-eligible.

Q.18) What does the status of Application Form “Eligible” mean to me?

Ans: Eligible means that your Application form along with enclosures is found in order. Now, BES is in a position to issue you the Admit card for appearing the examination. BES will verify copies of documents / certificates submitted by you with the Originals and if finds in order, then, will issue the Admit card to you after collecting the examination fee.

Q.19) What does the status of Application Form “Hold’ mean to me?

Ans: The candidate on “Hold’ means that BES has detected certain deficiency in your Application form and/or documents/certificates which requires rectification. BES will inform you about the same through its website. You are required to correct the deficiency within the given period by forwarding it to BES through Speed post / Courier Company. BES will re-assess your Application form and if finds in order, will convert your status to Eligible from Hold.

Q.20) What does the status of Application Form “Not-eligible” mean to me?

Ans: Not-eligible means that you have failed in the assessment. The deficiency detected can not be rectified. The reason for the same will be informed to you through BES Website.

Q.21) Where can I check the status of my Application Form?

Ans: You can check the status of your Application Form in BES website: www.seafarers.edu.in in the list of candidates (Eligible / Hold / Not-eligible).

Q.22) How can I change my status of Application Form from “Hold” to Eligible?

Ans: By submitting the deficient document or documents to BES for re-assessment.

Q.23) Can I get my status of Application Form changed from Not-eligible to Eligible?

Ans: No.

Q.24) What is the validity period of Police Clearance Certificate (PCC)?

Ans: One year from the date of issue if the expiry date is not mentioned in the PCC.

Q.25) What will happen to my Application form if I do not attach copy of certificate/s as required?

Ans: The status will be declared "Hold" with deficiency shown for submitting and if, not done within the required period, the status will get changed to "Not-eligible".

Q.26) Is there any limit for number of attempts to appear the examination for failed candidates?

Ans: a) The candidate who has passed Written, but failed in Oral - The validity of the written examination remains for FIVE years from the day of passing. Within this period, the failed candidate must pass the Oral examination. If not, s/he has to reappear as a Fresh candidate.

b) The candidate who failed in Written – The candidate has to reappear his/her written examination again.

Q.27) What shall I do if I am unable to appear my Oral examination due to other urgent need / demand?

Ans: You have to inform MMB through BES in writing or through email explaining your inability to appear before the date of your Oral examination, but not later than 72 hours from the last working hour (1700 hours) of the date of your examination.

Q.28) What will happen to me if I have provided false information in the Application Form?

Ans: Your candidature will get cancelled. You may be barred or debarred from appearing the examination.

Q.29) How shall I receive my Certificate of Competency (CoC)?

Ans: BES will send the CoC through registered post at your permanent address given by you in application form after receiving the requisite fee and verifying your identity. BES puts up notice on its web site to this effect.

Q.30) How can I know that BES has sent my CoC?

Ans: BES puts up the tracking number of the consignment that has been posted on its web site which you can track.

Q.31) Is there any validity of Certificate of Competency (CoC)?

Ans: Yes. It is valid of 5 years from the date of passing the examination which is mentioned in the said certificate.

Q.32) What shall I do if my Certificate of Competency (CoC) has expired?

Ans: You have to apply to MMB for renewal.

Q.33) When shall my sea time start for next higher grade after I pass my examination?

Ans: You will have to join the ship after the issue date of your certificate. After the issuance of certificate, you are expected to join a ship. Your sea time will start from the date you have joined on the ship.

Q.34) What will happen to me if I have given fake certificates?

Ans: Legal action will be initiated against you. You will be barred or debarred from appearing the examination.

Q.35) Residential address proof?

Residential address proof is the one you have written in your application column "F" under serial no.2. If the address proof and address written in the application form is not same, you will be considered Not-Eligible for the exam.

Q.36) Why is it required to attach a residential address Proof?

It is required to attach a residential address Proof so that after you have passed written & oral examinations, BES can dispatch your CoC to your residential address.

Q.37) What will happen to me if I have given fake certificates?

Ans: Legal action will be initiated against you. You will be barred or debarred from appearing the examination.

Q.38) What are the order of attaching my supporting documents to the Application form?

Ans: You are required to attach the supporting documents to your Application Form as per the Check-list which is as under:

1. Original Sea Service Certificate
2. Original Notarized Affidavit
3. Other State “Serang” Certificate holder - Original Letter from IV Master / Company certifying that the candidate has worked under duly qualified IV master of vessel plying within the coast of Maharashtra
4. Self-attested copy of Educational Qualification Certificate
5. Self-attested copy of valid Passport **OR** Police Clearance Certificate **OR** If NOC, then in Original
6. Self-attested copy of Govt. issued Photo Identity Card having Applicant’s signature
7. Self-attested copy of School Leaving Certificate (SLC) **OR** Birth Certificate
8. Self-attested photo copy of **Residential Address Proof (Must match with column “F” under serial number. 2 as mentioned in the Application)**
9. Self-attested copies of Modular Safety and Security Courses
10. Self-attested copy of valid DG Approved Medical Certificate

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