Oral Report

Examined by Capt. A Hilliard

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Result: Pass

Drove down and stayed in the nunnery it wasn't anything special felt more awkward as all other guests were quite religious but it was quiet and peaceful so just what you want before you orals. Drove to the MCA office (around 10mins) and went in about 10mins early. I was asked to sign in and if I had a mobile phone to switch it off and hand it. Then I took a seat and waited, at 1045 precisely Hilliard came out and introduced himself and asked me to follow him.

Here are the questions that I remember being asked, I'm sure there are others I just can't remember at the moment.

- 1. What was the gross tonnage of your last vessel? What is gross tonnage?
- 2. What is net tonnage?
- 3. Actions on entering restricted visibility as OOW?
- 4. Actions as the OOW man overboard? What are the different turns?
- 5. Actions of fire in cargo hold 2 and means of fighting?
- 6. Actions on receiving a DSC alert in are A1?
- 7. Actions if E/R calls up saying engines will be out of order for 1 hour (including lights)?
- 8. What is recorded in the GMDSS log book?
- 9. What are the monthly checks of GMDSS equipment?
- 10. Free fall lifeboat how often lowered into the water, action at a monthly drill?
- 11. What are the monthly tests of a dry powder extinguisher?
- 12. Did you have water tight doors? Well it's on the syllabus how would you use a water tight door?
- 13. How to turn vessel short round? Where are the pivot points?
- 14. What information would you expect from master before anchoring?
- 15. How much cable in 20m of water?
- 16. How to anchor, what do you report, short stay, brought up?
- 17. What are IMDG class; 7,8,1,3
- 18. What is MLC?
- 19. What is the role of the safety officer, what are health and safety inspections?
- 20. What M notices have you read lately?
- 21. How do you set up the radar? And what would you do with the radar before entering restricted visibility?
- 22. What is the Doppler Effect? What does it give you? What speed input do you use for anti-collision?
- 23. Radar plot, complete the OAW triangle to give the other vessels course speed and aspect?
- 24. Vessel on the port bow you are astern of their beam action?

25. Buoyage

- What is top mark, action heading east with direction of buoyage?
- North cardinal,
- West cardinal.
- South cardinal,
- East cardinal,
- Port lateral mark preferred channel to starboard (region a),
- Starboard lateral mark preferred channel to port (region a),

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- Name the vessel, action, range of lights
- Sailing vessel additional lights port side,
- Pilot vessel starboard side,
- Vessel engaged in towing greater than 200m and tug probably greater than 50m RAM (define) on starboard side,

He then said that the exam was over and I had past, he did some paper work and then asked about what I plan to do next.

Hilliard may be a grumpy examiner but he will give you hints if you haven't mentioned what he wants and don't be too disheartened if he you don't answer straight away and awkward silences are normal I think.

Best of luck to everyone still take their orals and a big thank you to all the lectures.