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**25<sup>th</sup> July 2014**

**Examiner: Captain Leggett**

**Result: Pass**

**Duration: 45mins**

Arrived at the office around 9am, walked straight in handed my phone over at the reception and awaited my examiner.

During this time (which unfortunately was a lengthy one) had a browse of the nautical magazines they had on offer.... Nothing special but a good browse to calm down.

Captain Leggett turned up about half past 9 and took my TRB, Workbook etc and I presume he had a good root through, as he didn't collect me for another 15 mins.

So for the start a general little preamble about my last ships. He informed me he had surveyed the majority of the sister ships to my last vessel (PCTC CARRERA) and general chitchat really.

Also informed me the 2<sup>nd</sup> ship I had been on had run aground and was now set for the scrap yard!

The questions I detail here are only what I can remember and definitely not in order just to warn you.

To Kick off with!

- ❖ Joining vessel, new 3<sup>rd</sup> aaaaand start! Started going on about the accommodation ladder specifics and safety, got onto ISPS and moved on.
- ❖ What are the specific duties of a 3<sup>rd</sup> officer?
- ❖ You find a suspicious package, actions?
- ❖ LSA, lifebuoys, line throwing apparatus, pyro and especially the launching of the davit launched TEMPSC, Leggett was super keen on the answers I gave in regards to LSA. For the lifeboat he wanted the full procedure from sounding the alarm to launching and retrieval of the lifeboat as well as equipment carried inside. Got hung up on this for a while as I was missing the major point of look over the side before launching in my first explanation. However Leggett gave me a chance to redeem myself and got it in the end, however he did make me resight the process again until he was confident that I knew what I was doing. (I blame nerves...)
- ❖ What is a hydrometer, how to use and for what reasons?
- ❖ What was the FWA on my last vessel? Didn't ask for DWA formula but gave him it any way.

- ❖ How many Decks on the vessel?
- ❖ Ventilation requirements on car decks?
- ❖ Maintenance on car decks and workings of water tight doors (Safety checks i.e. locking pins in place, indicators for watertight/gas tight doors)
- ❖ Where are the CO2 tanks stored for the fixed fire fighting on board and how to operate?
- ❖ Duties of OOW on deck watch?
- ❖ How to perform a safe navigational watch?
- ❖ What would you expect in the handover of a navigation watch?
- ❖ How would you passage plan on ECDIS, a little on the set up of ECDIS and inputs?
- ❖ Set up of RADAR and inputs?
- ❖ I am on watch; Man overboard, portside... actions?
- ❖ Quizzed a little on GMDSS i.e. what message for MOB difference between designated and undesignated distress
- ❖ Showed me a HRU and asked me to identify the parts as well as the operation
- ❖ Bit of an odd ball this one but he asked me what the boiler was for on ship?  
This question came about from an answer id given in a ROR situation where I mentioned slowing down.  
Wasn't entirely sure what he was wanting for this because I wasn't 100% sure on the boiler apart from it heated water. The answer he was looking for and what I eventually got onto saying was that it is used to heat the Heavy Fuel Oil for the main engine.
- ❖ Asked what is in the Code of Safe working practice? Gave a bit of a speech on a few chapters and seemed happy with that.
- ❖ Elements of risk assessment?
- ❖ What are the duties of 3<sup>rd</sup> officer when coming into port on the aft mooring station?

## ROR

- ❖ P/D vessel; port side; ROC exists; action?
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- ❖ Grilled me on Rule 5, 6, 7, 13 & 18
- ❖ Definition of vessel engaged in fishing?
- ❖ Definition of vessel Restricted in Ability to Maneuver?
- ❖ Gave me smartie board with a single green light? Port side ROC exists action?
- ❖ Gave me vessel at anchor directly ahead on smartie board ROC exists asked for action?
- ❖ Fog signals for sailing vessel, P/D underway, vessel aground and vessel at anchor.
- ❖ Visibility anchor light?

## NO BUOYAGE

This is roughly what I was asked, I may have missed a couple of things but the majority is here.

Leggett is a fair examiner and felt more like an everyday conversation rather than an exam.

He may drop subtle hints if he believes you are struggling a little but you really have to know your stuff. I know lecturers always go on about the importance of knowing them, but trust me don't go in there not knowing your ROR and all aspects of safety.

MASSIVE MASSIVE thanks to Mr Ward, if anyone can teach you Rule of the Road its this guy. Also huge thanks to all the other lecturers for the great support and great aids for the revision process.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL FUTURE CANDIDATES YOU WILL PASS