

## JS v Leggett

Exam Time – 30 mins in the exam, 10 mins while he took my wkbk away

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Arrived the night before, would advise not to if you have an afternoon exam, the waiting around all day was a killer! Stayed at the Nunnery, quite a bizarre place to stay, by all means go if your superstitious (huge pass rate) but if not stay somewhere else. Brief introduction to where I was sailing, companies, ships, etc. Took my workbooks TRB, passport, discharge book away and looked at them for 10 mins. Then came to get me:

- TEU of my last vessel.
- How to carry out a cargo watch?
- What to expect when loading DG?
- How to deal with damaged cargo?
- How to create a passage plan? (APEM)
- How to set up the bridge for departure?
- Radar set up and settings?
- GMDSS daily, weekly, monthly checks?
- How to send MF/HF test call.
- Fire in the Galley? (actions on the bridge, also about the different fire teams assembled)
- Enclosed Space Entry for a Ballast Tank?
- Captain orders abandon ship, actions? (explained what the 3/O on last vessel was expected to do)
- How to prepare for anchoring approach? (chartwork, pos'n fixing, radar settings as opposed to preparing the anchor)
- Various symbols on the chart and my actions when seeing them? (reporting, pilot boarding, buoys) *Liverpool approach chart*
- Is the chart up to date?
- It wasn't, how to update and get relevant corrections? (shipboard procedure)
- What is a TRS?
- MOB stbd side, actions?

### **ROR**

- Lights –
- Sailing vessel, stbd aspect, port side
- Fishing vessel, stbd aspect, making way (no nets extending), port side
- Towing vessel, 1 tow, over 200m, stbd aspect, port side, asked for day signals.
- Buoys-
- Various buoys (cardinals, isolated danger, preferred channels)

- Set out buoys to navigate through (heading north, last buoy was a south cardinal, A/C to stbd but also mentioned i'd expect other buoys to further mark the danger if I intended to keep navigating north)
- COLREGS
- I am crossing a TSS with another PDV following lane on my port bow.
- I am navigating in a narrow channel sailing vessel risk of collision ahead, actions.
- What did I know about rule 8? Quoted.

Exam absolutely flew by, few bits of advice:

- Workbooks definitely create a good impression and I feel definitely helped shorten my exam time.
- CONFIDENCE, be confident in your ability you will know everything.
- He seemed to like me applying the questions to what happened on ship, maybe made what I was saying more relevant rather than spooling off generic stuff.
- Get the basics right, if you can rely on ROR to fall back on, you can relax for the rest of the exam.