RYA Coastal Skipper and Yachtmaster Theory

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Did you know Andrew Simpson Yachting is notfor-profit?

Everything surplus to the running costs of the Centre goes straight back into the Andrew Simpson Foundation to support us in our work to transform the lives of young people through sailing. This means that every time you book a course with us, you are supporting the work of the charity and giving back to young people in your local community!

Pre-course experience

It is recommended that you have spent significant time at sea putting your Day Skipper Theory to practical use.

Assumed Knowledge

Your theoretical knowledge should be at RYA Day Skipper or above.

Student to instructor ratio

8:1

Duration

6 days classroom-based

Course content

- Charts and publications
- Compass
- Course to Steer
- DR and EP
- Electronic aids to navigation
- Electronic chart plotting
- International maritime
- Interpreting forecasts
- IRPCS
- Meteorology
- Passage making
- Pilotage
- Safety
- Techniques for visual fixing
- Tidal streams
- Vertical datum, depths and heights
- Visual aids to navigation
- Environmental guidance for boat users

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What next?

With this qualification combined with additional practical experience, you should be equipped with the knowledge required to consider the RYA Yachtmaster Coastal or Offshore examination. See our RYA Yachtmaster Preparation course for more information.