
RYA SHOREBASED COURSES

PYA runs three shorebased courses at our base on Poros Island:

BASIC NAVIGATION & SAFETY

Duration of course: 2 days

Minimum Duration: 16 hours, plus 'homework'

This course gives a basic introduction to navigation and safety for anyone new to boating.

Course content:

- Charts and publications
- Safety
- Buoyage
- Tidal awareness
- Basic navigation and pilotage
- Rules of the road
- Electronic navigation
- Anchoring
- Weather forecasts
- Passage planning

We believe that this course on its own is not sufficient to prepare students for the Day Skipper Practical course. If the other elements of the Day Skipper Shorebased course are covered by other means (experience, reading, training CDs etc.) then the practical course should not be a problem.

The course assumes no previous knowledge although some practical experience is desirable.

DAY SKIPPER SHOREBASED

Duration of course: 5 days

Minimum Duration: 40 hours and 2 exam papers, plus 'homework'

Beginners and Crew who would like to become actively involved in navigation should attend. The syllabus arms would be skippers with enough knowledge to navigate around familiar waters by day.

Course content: Nautical terms
 Safety
 International regulations for preventing collisions at sea
Navigation: Definitions
 Charts & publications
 Tides and tidal streams
 Pilotage

 Meteorology
 Passage Planning
 Ropework
 Anchorwork

The course assumes no previous knowledge although some practical experience is desirable.

COASTAL SKIPPER / YACHTMASTER SHOREBASED

Duration of course: 6 days
Minimum Duration: 40 hours and 3 exam papers, plus “homework”

A course for more experienced skippers which teaches the theory required for the Coastal Skipper and Yachtmaster Offshore practical examinations.

Course Content: Navigation
 Meteorology
 Collision avoidance
 Safety
 Passage planning.

After the course students will understand the principles of navigating for coastal and offshore passages.

The course assumes knowledge of navigation to Day Skipper standard and some practical experience.