



## Steps to obtain Charterboat Captain's License (OUPV, "6-pack") with the United States Coast Guard

Beginning November 15, 2021 all Freshwater Charter Boat Captains are required to have a license to operate. LA Department of Wildlife & Fisheries will begin requiring proof of insurance and a USCG captain's license at the point of purchase on November 15, 2022. The information below is to aid in obtaining the USCG captain's license:

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Visit <https://www.dco.uscg.mil/nmc/forms/> to complete the following:

- Application for Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC)
- Application for Medical Certificate (Physical Exam)
- Periodic Drug Testing Form
- Sea Service Form

**Tip from Charter Boat Association:**

OUPV captains can complete their physical and drug screening at the same locations which assist offshore workers.

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Pay Fees at <http://www.pay.gov>

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Complete the following: CPR, First Aid & Exam (or course completion certificate).

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Submit documents to local Regional Exam Center (REC), preferably via e-mail to [RECNOLA@uscg.mil](mailto:RECNOLA@uscg.mil)

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After all courses/exam are complete and documents are received, a Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC) is issued.



**For questions, please refer to:**

- US Coast Guard at 504-589-6225
- Louisiana Charter Boat Association at [www.lasaltwater.com](http://www.lasaltwater.com)

- Regional Exam Center New Orleans at (Phone) 1-888-427-5662 (Fax) 1-985-624-5757

License Renewal is required every 5 years.



OUPV Resources Document

**Captain's License Information:** <https://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=054-09&category=captains-license-info>

**OPUV Checklist:** [https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/NMC/pdfs/checklists/mcp\\_fm\\_nmc5\\_31\\_web.pdf](https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/NMC/pdfs/checklists/mcp_fm_nmc5_31_web.pdf)

**Forms:** <https://www.dco.uscg.mil/nmc/forms/>

**Fee Payments:** <http://www.pay.gov>

**Regional Exam Center (REC) New Orleans:** [https://www.dco.uscg.mil/nmc/recs/new\\_orleans\\_louisiana/](https://www.dco.uscg.mil/nmc/recs/new_orleans_louisiana/)

**OPUV Courses Offered:** <https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/NMC/pdfs/courses/courses.pdf?ver=2017-06-21-145328-147&timestamp=1498750827991>

SchoolName	CourseName	Approval	State	Webpage	Telephone
Delgado Community College	Master 100 Tons / Mate 200 Tons	Any applicant who has successfully completed your Master 100 Tons/Mate 200 Tons (DELGCC-680) course and who presents your Certificate of Training within one year of the completion of training, will satisfy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the examination requirements of 46 CFR 11.201(j) for original issuance, 46 CFR 10. 227(e)(1)(iii) for renewal, and 46 CFR 10.227(i) for reissuance, of a merchant mariner endorsement as Mate of Vessels of not more than 200 gross tons upon Near Coastal, or Great Lakes &amp; Inland, or Inland Waters; AND,</li> <li>the examination requirements of 46 CFR 11.201(j) for original issuance, 46 CFR 10.227(e)(1)(iii) for renewal, and 46 CFR 10.227(i) for reissuance, of a merchant mariner endorsement as Master or Mate of not more than 100 gross tons Upon Near Coastal, or Great Lakes &amp; Inland, or Inland Waters; AND,</li> <li>the examination requirements of 46 CFR 11.201(j) for original issuance, 46 CFR 10.227(e)(1)(iii) for renewal, and 46 CFR 10.227(i) for reissuance, of a merchant mariner endorsement as Operator of Uninspected Passenger Vessels (OUPV) Upon Near Coastal, or Great Lakes &amp; Inland, or Inland Waters.</li> </ul>	LA	#http://www.dcc.edu#	5046716620

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Maritime Service Group of Louisiana, LLC	Master 100 Tons (Near Coastal)	Any applicant who has successfully completed your Master 100 Tons (Near Coastal) (MARSGL-288) course and who presents your Certificate of Training within one year of the completion of training, will satisfy the examination requirements of 46 CFR 11.201(j)(1) for original issuance, 46 CFR 10. 227(e)(1)(iii) for renewal, and 46 CFR 10.227(i) for reissuance for any one the following endorsements and may not be used for any application transactions thereafter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Master of less than 100 GRT, Near Coastal, or Great Lakes &amp; Inland, or Inland Waters; OR,</li> <li>Master of less than 100 GRT, Near Coastal, Raise in Grade from OUPV Near Coastal; OR,</li> <li>Operator of Uninspected Passenger Vessels (OUPV) or Mate of less than 100 GRT Upon Near Coastal, or Great Lakes &amp; Inland, or Inland Waters.</li> </ul>	LA		9856462323

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South Louisiana Community College, Marine & Petroleum Safety Training Center	Master 100 Tons	Any applicant who has successfully completed your Master 100 Tons (LTCYMC-281) course and who presents your Certificate of Training within one year of the completion of training, will satisfy the examination requirements of 46 CFR 11.201(j)(1) for original issuance, 46 CFR 10. 227(e)(1)(iii) for renewal, and 46 CFR 10.227(i) for reissuance for any one the following endorsements and may not be used for any application transactions thereafter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Master of less than 100 GRT, Near Coastal, or Great Lakes &amp; Inland, or Inland Waters; OR,</li> <li>Master of less than 100 GRT, Near Coastal, Raise in Grade from OUPV Near Coastal; OR,</li> <li>Operator of Uninspected Passenger Vessels (OUPV) or Mate of less than 100 GRT Upon Near Coastal, or Great Lakes &amp; Inland, or Inland Waters.</li> </ul>	LA	#http://www.solacc.edu#	9853726247