
Cover Note

Training record book VII/2 and VII/4

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1. Introduction

This cover note applies to officers in charge of a navigational watch on a commercial or professional pleasure craft of less than 500 gross tonnage engaged on voyages both within and beyond 200 nautical miles from a coast.

On August 22, 2020, the new Royal Decree on seafarers was published, with the aim of removing the European notice of default 2019/2192. This means that everyone who starts the commercial yachting course after 31/12/2020, must complete an internship book for the certificate VII / 2 and VII / 4.

As there is no international training record book for commercial yachting, the Federal Public Service Mobility and the relevant training institutions have agreed to use “On Board Training Record Book for Officers in charge of a Navigational Watch (Deck Cadets)” of the International Shipping Federation.

2. Application

Since the training record book was originally created for trainees on board merchant ships, not all assignments will be possible on board a yacht.

Trainees must only complete the parts that apply to their training and the type of ship where the traineeship will be conducted:

- a. Function 1.6 and 1.7: sextant only applicable for training VII / 2.
- b. Function 1.10: only applicable for training VII / 2.
- c. Function 10, 11, 12 and 13: cargo handling is not part of the training VII / 2 and VII / 4 and must not be completed.
- d. Function 17: as there is no lifeboat on a ship of <500 GT, lifeboat is replaced by liferaft and rescue boat. Function 17 must be filled in for courses VII / 2 and VII / 4, but not all frameworks apply.
- e. Section 8: not applicable for courses VII / 2 and VII / 4.

f. Section 9: not applicable for courses VII / 2 and VII / 4.

3. Recap

Fill in the training record book as completely as possible, taking into account the type of ship on which the internship will be carried out.

For any additional questions, please contact your training institution.
