

Yachtmaster Prep Week Joining Instructions

- Sail Nelson's practical Yachtmaster prep course usually starts on a Monday in Nelson Marina at 10am.
- It is a 5 day live aboard course immediately followed by the practical exam. The RYA guidelines require that the exam is between 8 and 12 hrs per candidate and we will confirm nearer to the time how many candidates are sitting the exam with you, in order to give an estimate of the finishing day and time. **If you need to book flights ahead of time then please arrange to fly out of Nelson on the Sunday evening or later.**
- The yacht, is berthed at L6 in Nelson Marina on Vickerman St. just behind NZ Boat Sales and close to the Anchor Bar. It's easy to spot, with Sea School in large white letters on the boom cover.
- Our sailing grounds are around Tasman Bay, but for Yachtmaster courses most of the sailing takes place close to Port Nelson where there are more navigation marks and lights, stronger tidal flow and generally more features to work with.
- We take a maximum of 4 and a minimum of 2 students on each course. Courses are generally made up of couples and/or individuals.
- **Things to bring:**
 - Copies of all pre-requisites including certificates and logged sea-time.
 - 2x Passport Photographs (hard-copies)
 - Wet weather gear.
 - towel (and swimming gear if you want to),
 - sleeping bag,
 - suitable warm clothing (a thermal layer is always handy)
 - non-marking soled shoes.
 - Please use a collapsible soft bag and try to pack to a minimum.
 - If you are traveling we can store extra luggage whilst you are sailing.
 - All food is provided, but please let us know in advance if you have any special dietary requirements and consider perhaps bringing along some of your favorite foods.
 - If you'd like a beer or wine in the evening with dinner please bring this with you.
- **Payment Details:**
 - 5 Day live aboard course, fully inclusive of all meals, tea, coffee, soft drinks, fuel, tuition loan of wet weather gear; **\$1995 NZD**. Weekend practical exam, including examiners expenses, RYA exam fee and use of the yacht **\$1500 NZD**. Total for course and exam on board **\$3495 NZD**
 - **To secure a place on a course we require a \$600 deposit** p/p: Sail Nelson NZ Ltd, Kiwibank.
 - The Account Number is: **38 9016 0463772 00** and please use your name as the reference.
 - We can accept payments by credit card but have to charge a fee of 2.5% to cover extra charges.

We will waive this fee if you choose to pay the full amount for your course at the time of booking.

Please supply the card number, name on the card, expiry date and 3 digit security number from the back. You might like to send this information across 2 emails for added security, otherwise give us a ring.

- For international bank transfers please contact us for more information, Swift code etc.
 - The balance of course fees is payable by cash or direct credit 14 days before the course starts
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- The RYA publish excellent boating books and you will need copies of the relevant books for your course. It is helpful if you can study these before you join us. The RYA logbook, RYA Sail Cruising & Yachtmaster Syllabus G15 is required as a logbook, price is \$27.50. The RYA Course Notes books have the notes for your course, price is \$35.00. We can supply these two publications for pick up in Nelson on arrival for \$62.50, or by courier to an NZ address for \$70. For delivery please let me know your postal address. Or you can purchase online at www.boatbooks.co.nz