

RYA DAY SKIPPER THEORY / SHORED-BASED COURSE

- RYA DAY SKIPPER is a perfect qualification if you're buying a boat, wanting to charter, or preparing for your RYA Yachtmaster certificate, or cruising the Queensland coast inside the Great Barrier Reef.
- You gain a world recognised qualification, while learning how to be safe, sure and fast.
- The RYA Day Skipper certificate automatically qualifies you for your International Certificate of Confidence.(ICC). This is the requirement of all yacht charter companies to provide you with a boat.
- Your sessions are conducted live on Zoom, and recorded for your exclusive use.
- Classes are either before work, from 0500 to 0730, or after work in the afternoon from 1700 to 1930.
- Your RYA Day Skipper qualification is a comprehensive introduction to cruising. It is popular with long-time sailors, as well as with less experienced skippers. It is perfect preparation for RYA Yachtmaster.
- You receive a presentation of lights & buoyage, (a part of the IRPCS), to introduce you to night cruising, plus a more comprehensive introduction to the IRPCS.
- With Yachting Directions, you receive ongoing benefits by being updated periodically with developments in technology, electronic navigation aids, and with developments in safety and seamanship.
- You will receive 1 year's mentorship to bring your goals to fruition. Eg: A boat purchase, or chartering, or your ultimate goal of RYA Yachtmaster.
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- Your learning is supported with exclusive access to Yachting Directions' online tuition & forums, and through the use of WhatsApp. You enjoy online personalised classes, live, using Zoom. Your class size is small, typically 4 - 8 students
- Course topics include: • The essentials of Coastal Navigation & Pilotage • The basics of Seamanship • Tides • Chartwork • Electronic Charts • Position fixing • Plotting a course to steer • Weather forecasting, Meteorology • Collision Regulations • Construction, parts and equipment of a cruising boat • Rigging: standing and running • Emergency and Safety procedures including distress calls, use of flares, safety harnesses, lifejackets and life-rafts • Berthing: slip departure and return • Sailing communication • Anchoring and Mooring.
- The theory course is taught, largely online, with a recommended minimum 40 hours of tuition, supplemented with at least this amount of time in practice exercises for homework.
- Your next RYA Day Skipper course is 18 November to 20 December. This is taught over 5 consecutive weeks. Lessons occur early morning from 05:00hrs to 07:30hrs, or, evenings from 17:00hrs to 19:30hrs.
- Pre-requisites: None -
- *Course includes two exam papers, each 1.5 hours in duration.*
- *NB. Additional self-study time of approximately 6 hours per week during course is recommended. We ask that you be particularly disciplined with a commitment to time each day or week.*

RYA Day Skipper Theory Course cost is \$1,490

Call 0427333353 now and talk with Brien

Class sizes are small and face to face on Zoom

Each Zoom session is recorded and the link to the recording sent to you for your revision.

Next course: Monday 18 November 2024 to Thursday 20 December 2024, for evening times. OR

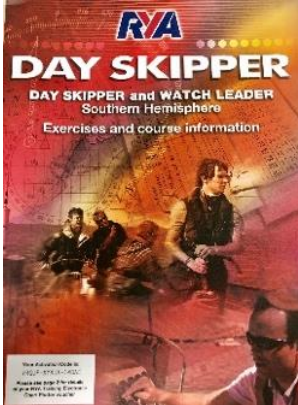
Tuesday 19 November 2024 to Friday 21 December 2024 for early morning times

The classroom course involves live tuition. You are personally guided through the course, each day on Zoom.

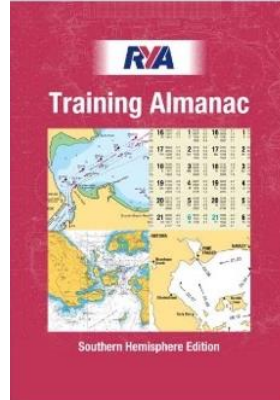
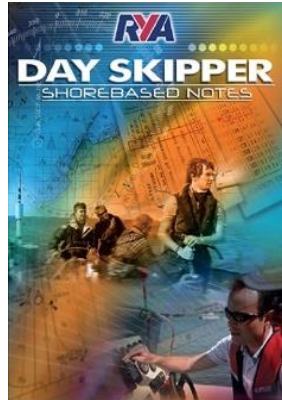
You are encouraged to ask questions...lots of questions....outside the lessons and beyond the course.



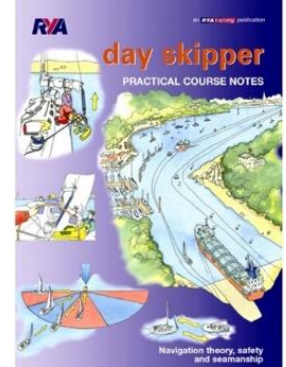
TEXTS AND EQUIPMENT are included with your online tuition course



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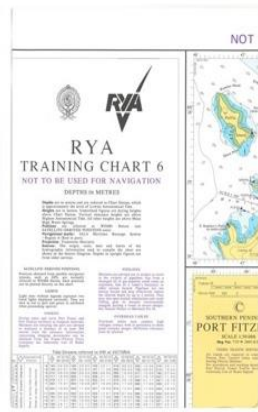
Included (RRP \$20.00)



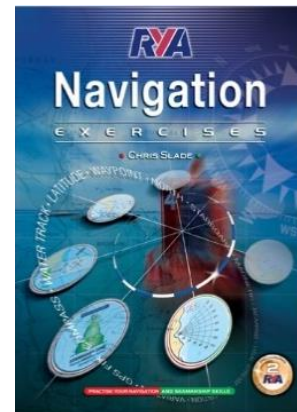
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RYA training charts INCLUDED

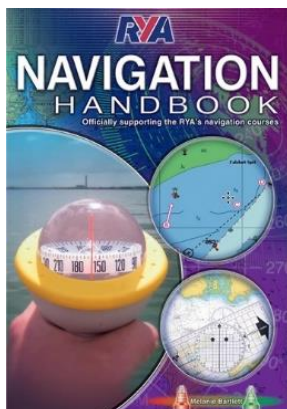


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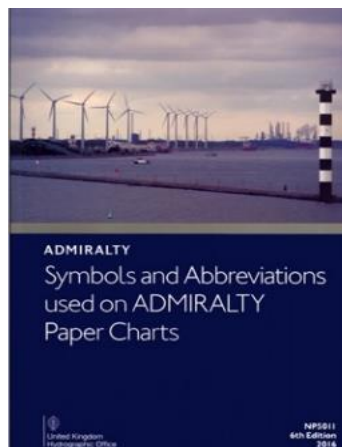
INCLUDED (RRP\$59.95)

RYA Navigation Handbook



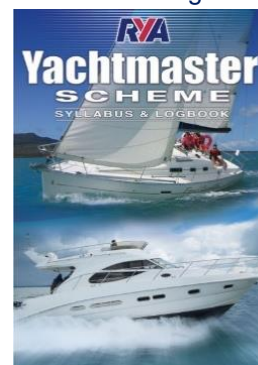
INCLUDED. (RRP \$49.95)

Symbols and abbreviations on Admiralty Charts



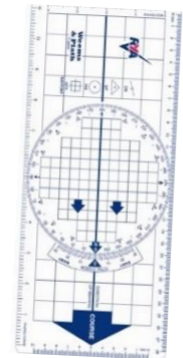
INCLUDED (RRP \$60.00)

RYA Yachtmaster Scheme and logbook



INCLUDED (RRP \$19.95)

Course plotter

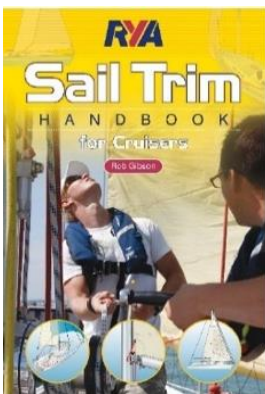


(RRP\$36.00) INCLUDED

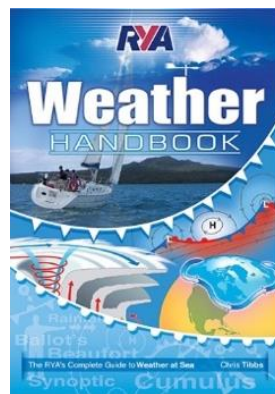
All of the above items are included in your course pack



Additional publications that you may want to supplement your course with



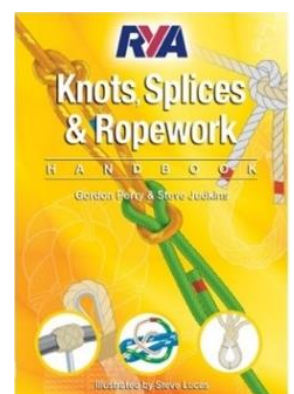
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**Australian Boating
Manual
\$98.95**



\$49.95

Your RYA Day Skipper **Theory** course is required by the RYA to be a minimum 40hrs of tuition. Your actual course time with Yachting Directions is 60 hours over 6 weeks. This is all online on Zoom. You are expected to apply at least another 20 hours to homework to embed the information. So, at Yachting Directions, you will find that we schedule at least 20 hours of homework time into the course hours.

On each week of your course, you receive a live lesson from 05:00am to 07:30am, or, you may elect to do the evening time of 17:00hrs to 19:30 hrs. During the live presentation students are encouraged to ask questions. The course is presented live, using Zoom.

Each lesson is also recorded. However, students are also encouraged to send in questions that can be answered at the next live Zoom presentation. This works especially well if you can't make a session. The idea is, you complete this extensive, and detailed course, in a minimum time period.

The classroom for face-to-face tuition, is in our hall at Wangi Wangi on Lake Macquarie, or, in Palm Beach, Sydney. However, assessments can be conducted online on Zoom.

Students should also be made aware, that to complete the course successfully, they must commit to at least 20 hours of additional study in their own time away from my presentations, during the course



RYA DAY SKIPPER PRACTICAL COURSE

- Your theory course is followed by a separate, practical course tailored to your experience and ability. This course is conducted within the cruising ground between Sydney Harbour and Port Stephens, including Newcastle Port, Swansea Channel, Lake Macquarie and Pittwater Broken Bay and The Hawkesbury River system.
- You will learn to skipper a short passage with the instructor on hand to give advice and encouragement and ensure your safety.
- Experience being in charge, taking credit when it goes well, being responsible when it doesn't.
- Before this course, if you are not sure that your sailing is up to speed, a good way to learn is on Australian Sailing's "National Keelboat Program". This will teach you to sail around a course & control the boat's speed. Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club Sailing Academy is highly recommended.
- One normally takes our RYA Day Skipper theory (shore-based) course before the practical course.
- The practical part of the RYA Day Skipper course is 5 separate days. Days vary, from a start at 0900hrs with a finish at 1700hrs, to finishing at 2200hrs, due to the requirement for at least 4-night hours within the course. Students can do the course as 5 separate days or 5 consecutive days, or a combination of consecutive days. There is no overnighting in any of our courses so as to mitigate risk during this Covid - 19 era.
- Your practical course is conducted on a monohull or catamaran (between 10.0metres and 15metres)
- You will be taught the following skills on the practical course:
 - Preparation for sea.
 - Deck work. Ropework. Knots
 - Docking, Berthing, Yacht handling under power
 - Navigation, Pilotage, Passage Planning
 - Night cruising.
 - Safety.
 - Emergency situations. Man Overboard, Liferaft, Sinking drills.
 - Yacht handling under sail.
 - Passage Making. Watchkeeping. Logbook entry.
 - Meteorology. Heavy weather preparation
 - Rules of the road. (IRPCS)
 - Victualling.
 - Sail trim. Reefing. Headsail changes
 - Poling out. Heaving to.
 - Maintenance and Repair work. Engines and diesel engine maintenance.

Price \$2,205 for 5 days practical course.

Base: Palm Beach, Pittwater