

Requirements for Adding A Route		
If holding an endorsement as Master Greater Than 200 GRT: Western Rivers – 90 day of observation and training on towing vessels; AND WR TOAR; AND evidence of Apprentice Mate/Steersman WR course/testing. Inland – 30 days of observation and training; AND Inland TOAR; AND evidence of Apprentice Mate Inland course/testing. Near Coastal/Oceans – 30 days of observation and training; AND NC/Oceans TOAR; AND evidence of Apprentice Mate/Steersman NC/Oceans course/testing. NOTE: Testing is only required for holders of Master greater than 200 GRT if adding a superior route (Example: Holds Master 500 Inland, adding Master T/V Near Coastal). If holding an endorsement as Master T/V: 90 days on requested route, appropriate TOAR and exam to add route	11.464	
GRANDFATHERING OPTION	46 CFR	
See Grandfathering of Towing Checklist for alternate paths		
Other Requirements	Reference:	
First Aid (completed within 1 year) (original issue)	11.201	
CPR (must be valid) (original issue)	11.201	
For Near Coastal - Approved Basic Fire Fighting Course within 5 years of application date (unless previously met) Valid STCW BT is acceptable.	11.201(h)(2)	
For Oceans – Basic Fighting as noted above and Advanced Fire Fighting Course within 5 years of application date (unless previously met) Valid STCW Advanced Firefighting is acceptable	11.201(h)(3)	
The “unless previously held” noted above for firefighting covers most exceptions to Basic and/or Advanced Firefighting requirements. See NVIC 03-16, Enclosure (10) for all exceptions if firefighting not met or submitted	NVIC 03-16	
EXAMS See Exam Guide		
Course completion certificate in lieu of Coast Guard examination	11.301	
Exam	11.903	
NOTE: A person holding this endorsement may qualify for an STCW endorsement, according to 11.307, 11.311, 11.313 and 11.315.	11.464	

Note: 11.463 (f) Deck officers serving on the following seagoing vessels must hold the appropriate STCW endorsement.

- (1) A towing vessel on an oceans voyage operating beyond near-coastal waters.
- (2) A towing vessel on an international voyage.
- (3) A towing vessel of 200 GRT or more on a domestic, near-coastal voyage

Comments:
