

“ORIGINAL LICENSE” APPLICATION

CHECK OFF LIST – IMPORTANT

(Before you submit your application, please review the following to prevent delays. Be aware – The Coast Guard may change the requirements without notice!) **IMPORTANT! Keep the completed copies in your personal file a safe place.**

The following paperwork must be completed by the Mariner applying for the Coast Guard License.

SECTION 1: Paperwork “package” includes the following:

- CG-719B Application** – Complete all lines on this form. Page 3,4 & 5. Make sure you print your name at the very bottom of pages 4 and 5. NOTE: Oath: bottom bullet on section IV, #4 must be signed by the applicant. No notary signature required.
- CG-719C Disclosure Statement for Convictions** This needs to be submitted if you have been convicted of anything listed on pg. 1, letters A, B, or C.
- Certificate(s) of Passing from Adams Marine Seminars scanned** with your application.
- First AID/CPR Certificate (Card)** – First Aid & CPR must be within the last **12 months**. If you have completed this course with Adams Marine Seminars or another approved company include copy of certificate or card with application.
- CG-719K Physical Examination Report or Entry Level Physical Report** – Make sure pages that require signature at top or bottom are filled in. *See below for instructions to submit Physical form separately.
 - Physical must be within the last **12 months**.
 - Make sure on pg. 3 of 10, Section I, “Endorsement Held or Sought,” “**DECK**” is the only box to check.
- Report of Chemical Drug Test** - Letter from Drug Consortium if member or Drug test from CG approved lab.
 - Drug test must be within the last **6 months. 5 Panel drug test only! SAMSHA LAB ONLY!**
- \$ 145.00 Original license - pay online at www.Pay.Gov/public/home** (type “Mariner license fee” at search bar. Choose USCG Merchant Mariner fee. (Fee for Original Issue and/or upgrade of license.)
- Proof of valid “TWIC” card- Required for Original submission only. Copy both sides. or, send payment receipt copy.**
- Small vessel Sea Service forms, discharges, or original - signed** letters of sea service from employer/owner. For service on your own vessels, ensure copies of proof of ownership of the vessels are included. Proof of ownership may be ie: boat title or bill of sale with registration number; documentation numbers; letter from insurance carrier; fuel logs, etc.
- ** “O.U.P.V. / N.C.” - 360 total days required on any powerboat – 90 days off shore - 90 days in the last 3 years.**
- ** “MASTER / N.C.” - 720 total days required any powerboat – 360 days off shore – 90 days in the last 3 years.**
- *** SEAWARD- means any distance off the shore, ie Gulf of Mexico, Oceans! (Not Inland.) SHOREWARD – means Inland on rivers, lakes, bays or sounds.)**

SECTION 2:

As of Jan. 26, 2026 the Coast Guard requires all applications be scanned (pdf file format only) and emailed directly on the Coast Guard National Maritime Center website: <https://nmc-asap.appsplatformportals.us/>

1. Completed 10-page Physical forms (CG-719K and K/E) are processes separately from the Application for Merchant Mariner Credential (CG-719B). Must be emailed separately.
2. In one (1) pdf file - Completed Application for Merchant Mariner Credential (CG-719B) including your Payment to NMC, Sea Service from(s) Drug test or letter from a Consortium, and any additional required information should all be included such as certificate(s) if adding to original license).

(Non-US citizens – are eligible for OUPV/6 Pak license only. Must have a U.S. social security card and a “green card”)
C.G. National Maritime Center Website & Help Desk: https://www.dco.uscg.mil/national_maritime_center/

Important Telephone #: National Maritime Center: 1-888-IASKNMC (427-5662)

TWIC Enrollment on line at: <http://twicinformation.tsa.dhs.gov>

or call: # 1-866-347-TWIC (8942)