

## Merchant Mariner Examination Working Group Update

[Section 315 of the 2015 Coast Guard Authorization Act](#) required the United States Coast Guard to commission a working group to review existing and new examination questions for accuracy and availability of examination references.

The [Examinations page](#) of the [National Maritime Center \(NMC\) website](#) has been updated to provide an outline of the process for requesting membership in the working group, and includes the forms and e-mail address for submittal. Once on the Examinations page, click “Working Group” to access this information. Requests may be submitted at any time.

In an effort to increase participation, the NMC will hold a review session for engineers at the STAR Center in Dania Beach, Florida, on November 6–8, 2018. We will review general engineer officer topics, and therefore we need participation from a wide range of engineers to ensure a comprehensive review. If you would like to participate in this, or any other session, please follow the process on the [Examinations page](#), as described above. Once we review your request, we will contact you to discuss further details. Additional regional working group sessions may be scheduled.

Examination question review is an opportunity to help the NMC and your fellow mariners make long-term improvements to the knowledge examination system. We need your expertise. Let your voice be heard.

Should you have any questions, please use the e-mail address provided on the [Examinations page](#), or contact the NMC customer service center via e-mail at [IASKNMC@uscg.mil](mailto:IASKNMC@uscg.mil), by [Chat](#) from the [NMC Website](#), or by phone at 888-IASKNMC (427-5662).

Sincerely,

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