

## STCW Basic and Advanced Polar Code Original and Revalidation

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GENERAL REQUIREMENTS	46 CFR	✓
<p>This is a unique STCW endorsement.</p> <p>Most but not all items on the <a href="#">Merchant Mariner Credential Application Acceptance Checklist</a> apply; specifically, a CG Form 719P DOT/USCG Periodic Drug Test is not required. No chemical (drug) test, medical certificate or fees are associated with this endorsement.</p> <p>Must hold valid STCW endorsement as Master, Chief Mate or OICNW as appropriate.</p>		
Basic Polar Code Operations Original Endorsement (STCW V/4-1)	PL 02-18	
<p>Original STCW Capacity until July 1, 2020:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>90 days of seagoing service operating on polar waters with at least one day prior to July 1, 2018 at the management level <u>or</u> as OICNW within the previous five years while operating within polar waters, <b>OR</b>;</li> <li>Proof of Completion of Training as specified in B-V/g of the STCW Code (Note 1 and Note 2 apply). Completion of training alone does not meet Advanced Polar Code Operations.</li> </ol>		
<p>Original STCW Capacity <u>with or without sea service</u> operating in polar waters prior to July 1, 2018:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coast Guard approved course in Basic Polar Code Operation, <b>OR</b>;</li> <li>Proof of Completion of Training as specified in A-V/4-1 of the STCW Code (Note 2 applies).</li> </ol>		
Advanced Polar Code Operations Original Endorsement (STCW V/4-2)	PL 02-18	
<p>Original STCW Capacity until July 1, 2020:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>90 days of seagoing service operating on polar waters with at least one day prior to July 1, 2018 at the management level (STCW Master or Chief Mate) within the previous five years while operating within polar waters, <b>OR</b>;</li> <li>60 days of sea going service operating on polar waters with at least one day prior to July 1, 2018 at the management level within the previous five years while operating within polar waters <b>AND</b> proof of Completion of Training as specified in B-V/g of the STCW Code (Note 1 and Note 2 apply)..</li> </ol>		
<p>Original STCW Capacity <u>with or without sea service</u> operating in polar waters prior to July 1, 2018:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Satisfactory evidence of meeting Basic Polar Code Operations, <b>AND</b></li> <li>Coast Guard approved course in Advanced Polar Code Operations <b>OR</b> proof of Completion of Training as specified in A-V/4-2 of the STCW Code (Note 2 applies), <b>AND</b></li> <li>60 days of seagoing service at the management level <u>or</u> as OICNW while operating within polar waters.</li> </ol>		

<b>Basic and Advanced Polar Code Operations Revalidation (Renewal)</b>		
There are currently no renewal or revalidation requirements. Continue to issue if renewal and revalidation requirements for all other endorsements and capacities are met.		

Notes:

1. Evidence of required training can be a U.S. training certificate or company letter (Foreign training certificates may be accepted by HQ on a case-by-case basis via PQE Branch Chief). It should reference STCW B-V/g which meets both Basic and Advanced.
2. Evidence of required training can be a U.S. training certificate or company letter (Foreign training certificates may be accepted by HQ on a case-by-case basis via PQE Branch Chief). It may reference STCW A-V/4-1 for Basic, or A-V/4-2 for Advanced, or CG-OES Policy letter 01-16, or MSC 95/22/Add.2 Annex 9. The letter must specify if the training completed meets the requirements for Basic, Advanced, or both.
3. Sea service must be documented in accordance with 46 CFR 10.232 and should include the number of days served and capacity served on a vessel operating in polar waters.

Service in the capacity of Ice Pilot may be accepted as long as the appropriate STCW is currently held. Service as Ice Pilot did not have to be while holding any credential as long as the appropriate STCW capacity is currently valid for the endorsement sought.

4. Mariners issued Advanced Polar Code Operations (V/4-2) will also be endorsed with Basic Polar Code Operations (V/4-1).