

**NATIONAL MASTER OF TOWING VESSELS  
UPON OCEAN, NEAR COASTAL, GREAT LAKES-INLAND & WESTERN  
RIVERS § 11.464**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ REFERENCE #: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>General Requirements</b>	<b>Reference: 46 CFR</b>	<b>Division / Branch Responsible</b>		<b>✓</b>
Verify Application CG-719B Completed		All		
Verify U.S. Citizenship	10.221	SSEB	PQEB	
Verify MMLD set to "Y" for SSEB Screening.	10.211	SSEB	PQEB	
Minimum Age 21	11.201	PQEB		
Verify Medical Certificate in MMLD: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Original - Must hold or <b>be approved</b> for Medical Certificate.</li> <li>• Renewal, ROG, New Endorsement - Must hold an unexpired Medical Certificate or submit a Medical Certificate application.</li> </ul>	10.301/10.302	MEB		
Drug Testing Compliance (within 6 months)	10.225/10.231	REC		
Mariner Fees (in MMLD)	10.219	PQEB	\$\$\$	
Ensure all appropriate fees have been paid prior to issuance		Eval		
		Exam		
		Issue		
<b>If an applicant holds Limited Master of T/V and no Master Greater Than 200 GRT (500 GRT or above) is held, the applicant must first obtain Mate (Pilot). See Mate T/V Checklist.</b>	<b>11.465(a) Figure 11.463(h)</b>			
<b>Sea Service Requirements</b>	<b>Reference: 46 CFR</b>	<b># of Days</b>		<b>✓</b>
You may need to verify vessel type via MISLE or Vessel Documentation				
<b>Recency</b> – 90 days service in the past 7 years on vessels. A minimum tonnage is not applicable for towing MMC. Recency not required for adding a route or adding to current MMC greater than 200 GRT.	11.201 PL 02-25			
<b>NOTE: Service will be credited as follows:</b> 1. Service on GL will be credited day for day towards GL, Oceans or NC. 2. Service on inland waters, other than GL, may substitute for up to 50% of the total required service towards Ocean and NC. 3. Only service on WR is applicable towards WR endorsement.  The OC or NC TOAR must still be completed to obtain the OC or NC MMC.	11.401			
<b>MASTER OF TOWING VESSELS</b>	<b>46 CFR</b>			<b>✓</b>
1. 540 days must be on towing vessels <b>as</b> Mate (Pilot) and if adding new route, must also include:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ocean/NC - 90 days on ocean vessels, if new requested route.</li> <li>➤ Inland &amp; GL- 90 days Inland or GLs, if new requested route.</li> <li>➤ Western Rivers – 90 days on WR, if new requested route.</li> </ul> No additional training and observation is required. Oceans/ NC may operate on Great Lakes and Inland. WR must have route endorsed.  When adding superior route or Western Rivers, additional exam and TOAR may be required.	11.464(a) Table I			

<b>HOLDS MASTER MORE (GREATER) THAN 200 GRT</b>			✓
<p>May operate towing vessels within any tonnage or route restrictions on their endorsement if they have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ocean/NC - 30 days of training &amp; observation on ocean towing vessels,</li> <li>➤ Inland &amp; GL- 30 days training and observation on Inland or GLs vessels,</li> <li>➤ Western Rivers – 90 days training and observation on WRs vessels <b>AND must be endorsed on the MMC.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Training and Observation must be documented.</b></p> <p>All must hold a complete TOAR <b>OR</b> have completed an approved course for the TOAR. No exam required as the route is already held except when adding WR.</p> <p><b>EXCEPTION to holding WR endorsement:</b> If operating on LMR Pilotage waters (MM 236 and below), not required to hold WR endorsement but must hold either a FCP for that route, a MMC for Western Rivers or Master greater than 200 GRT for other routes/waters.</p>	11.464(g)		
	15.610		
<b>Adding additional routes to Master of T/V</b>			✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ocean/NC - 90 days on ocean vessels,</li> <li>➤ Inland &amp; GL- 90 days Inland or GLs,</li> <li>➤ Western Rivers – 90 days on WR.</li> </ul> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Appropriate TOAR <b>OR</b> approved TOAR course <b>AND</b></li> <li>2. Pass an exam for the route requested unless AMT exam or course previously completed for same route</li> </ol> <p>Additional Training and Observation is not required; it has already been met for the original Master or Mate Pilot of T/V.</p>	11.464(a) Table 1		
<b>GRANDFATHERING OPTION</b>			✓
For service on towing vessels prior to May 21, 2001, see Grandfathering of Towing Checklist for alternate paths			
<b>REMOVE TONNAGE LIMITATION</b>			✓
<p>For mariners who were grandfathered with tonnage to <u>match</u> the inspected deck officer endorsement (Example: Master 100 GRT inspected with Master T/V 100 GRT). Not to be used for limited geographic endorsements.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Completion of Apprentice Mate of Towing (AMT) Exam or course, route appropriate.</li> </ol> <p><b>Note:</b> There is no equivalent or superior exam to remove the tonnage limitation on the T/V Endorsement. The equivalent or superior exam only applies to those who have never held Master of T/V and have met grandfathering per NVIC 3-16, Enclosure (10), see Checklist for National Grandfathering of Master &amp; Mate (Pilot) of Towing Vessels.</p>		NVIC 03-16	
<b>Other Requirements</b>		<b>Reference:</b>	<b>Completion Date:</b>
First Aid (completed within 1 year)	(original issue)	11.201	
CPR (must be valid)	(original issue)	11.201	
Valid Basic Training meets 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid and CPR			
For <b>All Routes</b> - Approved Basic Fire Fighting Course within 5 years of application date (unless previously met) Valid STCW BT is acceptable.		11.201(h)(2)	

For <b>Oceans</b> – 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		
<b>NEW***</b> Firefighting may be modified in accordance with 46 CFR 11.201(h)(3)(iv)(a) and the Master will be restricted to WR or Inland. Great Lakes will not be endorsed. <b>Example:</b> Master of Towing Vessels upon Western Rivers OR Inland waters with 46 CFR 11.201(h)(3)(iv) Modified Firefighting. <b>To Add Great Lakes to Inland or remove limitation, applicants must complete non-modified Basic Firefighting.</b>			
<b>EXAMS</b> See Exam Guide			✓
Course completion certificate in lieu of Coast Guard examination	11.301	PQEB	
Exam codes & credential testing comments entered in MMLD	11.903	PQEB	
Exam scores entered in MMLD		REC   PQEB	

**Note:** 11.463 (f) Deck officers **servng** 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:**