


SHIPPING QUALIFICATIONS



Shipping is one of the oldest commercial activities in the world and it continues to be a major force in global trade. The world's merchant fleet moves 90% of international trade by volume, account for more than a third of the value of global trade and generates millions of jobs. The study of shipping intrinsically brings with it the knowledge and understanding of the components of the fascinating and complex world of maritime transport trade. To place the education in a 21st century context is even more crucial in view of the technological undercurrents that are rapidly changing the way the entire supply chain industry, including shipping, works.



As the world becomes more competitive, professional and personal development assumes greater importance as a career growth engine. Professional training in Shipping at Pan Africa Skills & Consulting in collaboration with the Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers opens the door to a world of possibilities and opportunities in the truly global business of shipping. As a truly international provider of professional maritime training, the Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers offers an unrivalled learning experience. The Institute's examinations and qualifications are designed to be broadly comparable with degree-level standard, to give you an idea of the depth of study and quality of work required. The examinations are held in April and November.

Mode of Study: Distance Learning, Tutorship and School Based. All study materials are provided with a comprehensive study guide.

Enrol today and acquire a professional qualification for an exciting career in the ever expanding Shipping industry!

Choosing Your Qualification

Professional Qualifying Examinations (PQE)

The Professional Qualifying Examinations (PQE) forms the pinnacle of the ICS qualification. Completion of these exams is an illustration of one's developed knowledge and understanding of the commercial shipping industry. It comprises 7 exams which you can do over 5 years. Many people however complete in a much shorter time, and are often also eligible for exemptions to some exams based on industry experience and prior qualifications. Exemptions don't apply to the Diplomas, so if you are eligible for a few, it may make sense to start your journey with PQE.

Embarking on PQE will mean you need to sit a minimum of two exams in your first year (one of which must be Shipping Business), and can pick and choose how many to take thereafter from the syllabus. Once you have completed your PQEs you will be eligible to apply for membership with the Institute. ICS professional examinations represent the route to Chartered Status, allowing you to join ICS' international network of brokers, forwarders, agents, insurers, lawyers and other shipping service providers. Wherever you are in the region, find the right ICS professional maritime development option for you and contact us today to support your learning journey.

Qualifications

Foundation Diploma

The Foundation Diploma is ideal for people with little industry experience, but who would like to gain practical knowledge and a sound qualification. It involves taking the **Introduction to Shipping** paper plus one other subject from the group 2 list of Optional Papers of the ICS syllabus. The Foundation Diploma is a standalone qualification in its own right, but because it can count towards your membership examinations it's also a great way to ease into study and gives you an overall view of the business. Foundation Diploma is awarded if both subjects are passed in the same exam sitting.

Advanced Diploma

The Advanced Diploma has been designed as a stepping stone into full professional qualification and suits those who have some industry knowledge. Like the Foundation Diploma, the Advanced Diploma is a recognised and respected qualification. It involves taking the ICS benchmark paper Shipping Business plus one other subject from the group 2 list of Optional Papers of the ICS syllabus. Advanced Diploma is awarded if both subjects are passed in the same exam sitting.

ICS Syllabus

The ICS syllabus for its Professional Qualifying Examinations (PQE) is designed to examine students on a wide range of commercial shipping activity.

Compulsory Papers - Group 1

These papers are compulsory because they represent the fundamental underpinnings of all activity within the commercial shipping industry. Shipping Business must be taken within your first year of study:-

- **Introduction to Shipping**
- **Economics of Sea Transport & International Trade**
- **Legal Principles in Shipping Business**
- **Shipping Business**

Optional Papers - Group 2

Optional papers cover a wide range of practical shipping disciplines in considerable detail:

- **Dry Cargo Chartering**
- **Shipping Law**
- **Port Agency**
- **Ship Sale & Purchase**
- **Shipping Finance**
- **Logistics & Multi-Modal Transport**
- **Liner Trades**
- **Ship Operations & Management**
- **Offshore Support Industry**
- **Port & Terminal Management**
- **Tanker Chatering**
- **Marine Insurance**

Choose those that best meet your training and functional needs.

You can download the full course contents of the units from the website