



# MARITIME INSTITUTE INC.

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## UPGRADING YOUR 6 Pack/OUPV or Master's License

### Requirements:







- 6 Pack/OUPV to Master Near Coastal NMT 100 GT
- Master Inland to Master Near Coastal
- Master 25 GT to Master 50 GT
- Master 50 GT to Master 100 GT

IN THE PAST IF YOU DOCUMENTED 90 – 180 days on vessels OVER 35 GT the USCG would upgrade your license BUT recently there have been some changes so we recommend contacting the USCG directly for specific information

Note: **If you are not an American Citizen**, the only way to upgrade from the 6-Pak License is to become a Citizen of the United States.

### Check-List:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. **Application prepared in black ink or typewritten.** You must complete Sections I, II, III, and V. Also, it must be signed in Section III, on BOTH lines in Section V, and on the Certification statement in Section VI.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Physical Examination (On USCG Approved Form)
    -  If you have submitted a physical to the USCG within the past 3 years they may not require a current physical. You will need to contact the USCG office where your paperwork is to confirm this.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Drug Screen (On USCG Approved Form and completed by a SAMHSA Approved Laboratory)
    -  ALL applicants for an upgrade must submit a drug screen (must be within the past six months) **or** proof of participating in a Random Program.
- Note: **IF IN A RANDOM DRUG TEST PROGRAM**, You may submit a letter on original marine related company stationary, signed by an approved company official, stating specifically that, “**during the previous 185 days, that Mr. Doe was subject to an approved random drug testing program as required by 46 CFR 16.230 for at least 60 days and did not fail or refuse to participate in a chemical test for dangerous drugs**”, or a letter from your Drug Consortium stating you are enrolled in their program.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. You will need to send a copy of your current license front and back. Upon approval of the Upgrade you will need to submit your original license to the CG for the new endorsement.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Examination
    -  The USCG can, at any time, request a **Rules of the Road** Refresher Examination especially if it has been one year or more since you received your original license.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Send payment with paperwork  
Make check payable to: U.S. Coast Guard.  
Evaluation **\$50.00**      Exam Fee (if required) **\$45.00**      Issuance **\$45.00**

### For any License Upgrade Over 100 GT:

You will need to take an exam with the USCG. Maritime Institute holds a 200 GT USCG Approved Course (with exam) and a 500 – 1600 GT preparatory course twice per year. Please call us for availability and further upgrade requirements.

### SEND TO THE USCG OFFICE YOUR LICENSE WAS ISSUED AT: here are the local offices for your convenience

*Southern California Office:*  
**COMMANDING OFFICER REC**  
**U.S.C.G. MARINE SAFETY OFFICE**  
 501 W Ocean Blvd.  
 Suite 6200  
 Long Beach, CA 90802  
 Phone: (562) 495-1480

*Northern California Office:*  
**COMMANDING OFFICER REC**  
**MSO San Francisco Bay**  
**Oakland Federal Bldg., North Tower**  
 1301 Clay St., Room 180 N  
 Oakland, CA 94612-5200  
 Phone: (510) 637-1124