

# SLC REQUIREMENTS & STEPS TO OBTAIN YOUR LICENSE

## **Step 1. Obtain your California BOATER SAFETY CARD:**

California now requires boaters to obtain a California Boater Safety Card. You can sign up and take the test online, and it's free. If you have a current US Coast Guard Captain License you can use this as documentation for your SLC instead of the Boater Card.

## **Step 2. Online Courses:**

Completion of specified Online Courses and Tests. These are all provided to you online, where you work at your own pace to complete them. You can take the tests as often as you need until you pass the online knowledge competency.

## **Step 3. Practical Boating Experience:**

You will be issued an electronic logbook to record entries of your past sailing experience, starting with your most recent. The SLC requires at least 50 days (4 hours minimum) of experience per day). For 25 of those hours, you must be the skipper of the boat, and 25 of those hours must be on a boat greater than 28 ft. Any lessons, boat club use, and charter time with us can be used to fulfill this requirement.

Additionally, for the license to be issued, you must have recent onboard experience, either 5 days in the past year or 10 days in the past 2 years, .

## **Step 4: SLC ON-THE-WATER ASSESSMENT**

You are required to complete and pass a one-day on-the-water assessment of your skills and knowledge. You're tested on your boating ability and competence on a variety of topics including docking using spring lines, Mediterranean mooring, and person overboard.

You are required to take a 45-minute written test on your checkout day. It is a boat theory assessment test covering navigation, plotting courses, tides, understanding ColRegs, meanings of ATONs, IALA-A vs IALA-B. Everything in the test is in the online courses.

There is a convenient checklist for everything you will be tested on so you can review everything before taking the SLC check-out.

## **OPTIONAL CATAMARAN ENDORSEMENT**

This is an additional day on the water with an online Catamaran course to pass. Catamaran sailing experience is required and must be on your boat experience log. The time logged should be on a catamaran 38 ft or larger. The endorsement is a valid catamaran qualification on your SLC document.

## COURSE PRICING\*

<b>SLC SAILING</b>	\$ 1,650
<b>CATAMARAN ENDORSEMENT</b>	\$ 2,250
<b>SLC-p POWER UNDER 40'</b>	\$ 1,850
<b>SLC-p POWER 40 AND OVER</b>	\$ 2,500

\*All courses are full days on the water and include all course materials, instructor, boat, fuel, insurance, cleaning, certifications, tests, and lunch.