



Day Skipper

A course for aspiring skippers with some yachting experience and basic navigation and sailing skills.

Learn to skipper a short passage with the instructor on hand to give advice and encouragement and ensure your safety. Experience being in charge, taking credit when it all goes well and being responsible when it doesn't.

Before this course, if you are not sure that your sailing is up to speed, a good way to learn is on an RYA Level 2 dinghy course. This will teach you to sail around a course and control the boat's speed.

If it's help with navigation that you need, you should take our Day Skipper shorebased course (see Navigation and seamanship theory on the left).

**Pre-course
experience**

5 days, 100 miles, 4 night hours on board a sailing yacht

**Assumed
knowledge**

Theory to the level of Day Skipper. It is recommended you attend the Day Skipper shorebased course beforehand.

**Minimum
duration**

5 days, 3 weekends or 3 days plus 2 days



**Minimum
age**

16

**Course
content**

Preparation for sea, deck work, navigation, pilotage, meteorology, rules of the road, maintenance and repair work, engines, victualling, emergency situations, yacht handling under power, yacht handling under sail, passage making, night cruising