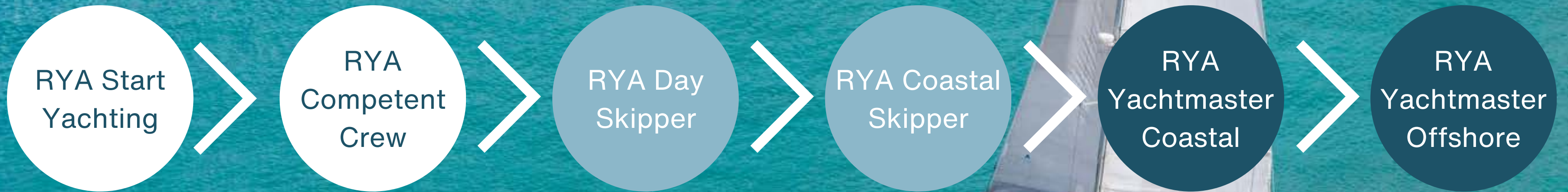




HAMBLE POINT  
SAILING SCHOOL



# Your sailing journey starts here!





# RYA Start Yachting

Our RYA Start Yachting course is an introduction to sailing for complete beginners.

The weekend is run by our friendly instructors who will guide and assist you through any apprehension you may have and support you at every stage to ensure you have a safe, fun and enjoyable weekend.

By the end of the RYA Start Yachting course you will have experienced steering a yacht, sail handling, ropework and be aware of safety on board.

## Course Content

Yacht layout, ropework, keeping a watch whilst underway, rules of the road, man overboard recovery, clothing and equipment, emergency equipment and precautions, basic meteorology.

After the course you will have a basic knowledge of yachting.

All of our courses have a maximum of 4 students on board to ensure you receive a high level of support and tuition. Our courses include moorings, fuel, catering plus loan of wet weather clothing.

Pre Course Experience - None  
Assumed Knowledge - None  
Minimum Duration - 2 Days  
Minimum Age - 8  
(Recommended)

For the duration of this course, your accommodation overnight will be onboard the yacht including the Instructor.

# RYA Competent Crew

Our RYA Competent Crew is a course for beginners and those who would like to become active crew members rather than just passengers. Experience living on board and really get to know the boat. This is a hands on practical course, You are the crew – without you the sails won't go up and the boat won't be steered.

By the end of the course you should be able to steer, handle sails, keep a lookout, row a dinghy and assist in all the day to day duties on board. You should also have visited some interesting places and had an enjoyable holiday.

## Course Content

Knowledge of sea terms and parts of a boat, her rigging and sails, sail handling, ropework, fire precautions and fighting, personal safety equipment, man overboard, emergency equipment, meteorology, seasickness, helmsmanship, general duties, manners and customs, rules of the road, dinghies.

Your ability after the course: Able to steer, handle sails, keep a lookout, row a dinghy and assist in all the day to day routines.

All of our courses have a maximum of 4 students on board to ensure you receive a high level of support and tuition. Our courses also include moorings, fuel, catering plus loan of wet weather clothing.

Pre Course Experience - None  
Assumed Knowledge - None  
Minimum Duration - 5 Days  
Minimum Age - 12  
(Recommended)

For the duration of this course, your accommodation overnight will be onboard the yacht including the instructor.

# RYA Day Skipper

Our RYA Day Skipper Practical is 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. By the end of the course you should be able to skipper a small yacht in familiar waters by day. You will experience being in charge, taking credit when it all goes well and being responsible when it doesn't.

## Course Content

- Preparation for sea & Victualling
- Deck work
- Navigation & Chart work
- Pilotage & Passage Planning
- Basic Meteorology
- Basic Rules of the road
- Maintenance, repair work & Engines
- Emergency situations
- Yacht handling under power & Sail
- Night cruising.

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. You should have the knowledge of Day Skipper shorebased course prior to this course.

Pre Course Experience - 5 days, 100 miles, 4 night hours on board a sailing yacht

Assumed knowledge: Theory to the level of the RYA Day Skipper. It is recommended you attend the RYA Day Skipper shorebased course beforehand or at least have the knowledge to this level

Minimum course duration: 5 days

Minimum age: 16

For the duration of this course, your accommodation overnight will be onboard the yacht including the instructor.

# RYA Coastal Skipper

Our RYA Coastal Skipper Practical course offers advanced skippering techniques for yachtsmen and women with considerable knowledge of sailing and navigation, wanting to undertake coastal passages by day and night.

Like the [Day Skipper course](#), this course consists of skippered passages in a variety of situations. Each RYA Coastal Skipper trainee will skipper more challenging passages and learn more about passage planning, pilotage by day and night, boat handling, safety and emergency situations. It is a satisfying but intensive week.

RYA Coastal Skippers should be able to undertake more difficult passages by day and night and handle the yacht in more demanding conditions. By the end of the course you should have the knowledge, if not the experience, to start your progression to become a Yachtmaster. All of our courses have a maximum of 4 students on board so to ensure you receive a high level of support and tuition. Our courses also include moorings, fuel, catering plus loan of wet weather clothing.

## Course Content

- Pilotage by day and Night
- Passage planning for longer passages
- Ability as skipper
- Yacht handling under power & Sail
- Boat Handling
- Adverse weather conditions
- Emergency situations

Pre Course Experience - 15 days, 2 days as skipper, 300 miles, 8 night hours

Assumed knowledge: Boat handling to the standard of Day Skipper and navigation to shorebased Coastal Skipper/Yachtmaster Offshore

Minimum duration: 5 days

Minimum age 17

For the duration of this course, your accommodation overnight will be onboard the yacht including the instructor.



# RYA Yachtmaster Coastal Prep & Exam

Our RYA Yachtmaster Coastal Skipper course is suitable for the more advanced skippers who have a practical ability to RYA Coastal level plus a knowledge of navigation, meteorology, collision regulations, safety and passage planning up to RYA Coastal Skipper / Yachtmaster shore based standard. This preparation course is designed for those who wish to take the RYA / MCA Yachtmaster Coastal exam.

The course gives potential candidates the opportunity to thoroughly revise both practical and theoretical subjects.

You will spend five days onboard the yacht with one of our fully qualified professional RYA Yachtmaster instructors prior to taking the RYA / MCA Yachtmaster Coastal examination. Sailing will be in local waters of the Solent and the instructor will tailor the course to your needs but in our experience this will often include: passage planning, skippering techniques, man-overboard recovery, meteorology, close quarters boat handling and pilotage in restricted visibility.

We would recommend you arrive for the course already having a thorough knowledge of the IRPCS Collision Regulations particularly in relation to lights, shapes and signals. The successful Yachtmaster Coastal candidate is an experienced yachtsman who has a theoretical knowledge to the level of the RYA Yachtmaster shore based course. You will also be able to skipper a cruising yacht on passages up to 60 miles from port. The RYA/MCA Yachtmaster Coastal Certificate of Competency is acknowledged throughout the World as one of the top sailing qualifications.

Pre Course requirements -  
30 days, 2 days as skipper, 800  
miles, 12 night hours  
Valid Radio operator's Certificate or  
Short Range Certificate, Valid RYA  
First Aid Certificate  
Minimum course duration: 5 days  
Minimum age: 17

For the duration of this course, your accommodation overnight will be onboard the yacht including the instructor & Examiner.

# RYA Yachtmaster Offshore Prep & Exam

The RYA Yachtmaster Offshore is suitable for the more advanced skippers who have a practical ability to at least the RYA Coastal skipper practical level plus have excellent knowledge of navigation, meteorology, collision regulations, safety and passage planning up to RYA Coastal Skipper / Yachtmaster shore based standard.

This preparation course is designed for those who wish to take the RYA / MCA Yachtmaster Offshore exam. The course gives potential candidates the opportunity to thoroughly revise both practical and theoretical subjects.

You will spend five days onboard the yacht with one of our fully qualified professional RYA Yachtmaster instructors prior to taking the RYA / MCA Yachtmaster Offshore examination.

Sailing will be in local waters of the Solent and the instructor will tailor the course to suit your own needs but from our experience, we would expect this to include: passage planning, pilotage skippering techniques, man-overboard recovery, meteorology, close quarters boat handling and pilotage in restricted visibility.

We would recommend you arrive for the course already having a thorough knowledge of the IRPCS Collision Regulations particularly in relation to lights, shapes and signals.

The successful Yachtmaster Offshore candidate is an experienced yachtsman who has a theoretical knowledge to the level of the RYA Yachtmaster shore based course and will be able to skipper a cruising yacht on passages up to 60 miles from port. The RYA/MCA Yachtmaster Offshore Certificate of Competency is acknowledged throughout the World as the top sailing qualification.

Pre Course requirements -  
50 days, 5 non stop passages of over  
60NM (2 of which you must have  
skipped) 5 days as skipper, 2500  
miles, 12 night hours  
Valid Radio operator's Certificate or  
Short Range Certificate, Valid RYA  
First Aid Certificate  
Minimum course duration: 5 days  
Minimum age: 17

For the duration of this course, your accommodation overnight will be onboard the yacht including the instructor & Examiner.



# Getting you on the water...





# Joining your course

**It is our intention that you will have a great learning experience, which will increase your confidence, skills and ability as a sailor. Above all, we hope that you enjoy yourself!**

Please ensure you read thoroughly through the course details and schedules on our website and **check that you have the correct prerequisites** for the course you will be attending.

On your arrival at the marina please call at our office, we will introduce you to your instructor and show you to your yacht. Our office is located on the far side (water side) of the Ketch Rigger pub. (Follow signs for Hamble Point Yacht Charters)

Whilst we will do everything we can to ensure you board on time please bear in mind this may not always be possible.

Please see attached some additional information to help you find us and to ensure you bring everything with you that you need.

Please feel free to contact the team if you have any further questions!



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# Prerequisites for practical courses



For many of the practical courses there are precourse requirements that are needed to ensure students are able to complete the course with the correct knowledge and skills for the level required.

**Start Yachting/ Competent Crew - No precourse requirements**

**Day Skipper - RYA Day Skipper Theory Course completed or knowledge to the level of 5 days at sea. 100 NM. 4 night hours.**

**Coastal Skipper - RYA Coastal Skipper & Yachtmaster offshore Theory Course or knowledge to the level of 15 days. 2 days as Skipper. 300 miles. 8 night hours.**

**Yachtmaster Coastal - RYA Coastal Skipper & Yachtmaster offshore Theory Course or knowledge to the level of 30 days. 2 days as Skipper of passages over 60NM. 800 miles. 12 night hours. RYA Short range VHF Certificate with DSC. RYA First Aid Certificate.**

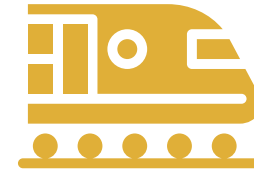
**Yachtmaster Offshore - RYA Coastal Skipper & Yachtmaster offshore Theory Course or knowledge to the level of 50 days. 5 non stop passages over 60NM. 5 days as skipper of passages over 60NM. 2500 miles. RYA Short range VHF certificate with DSC. RYA First Aid Certificate. RYA Sea Survival.**

# Directions to us...



**By Road** The postcode for your Sat Nav is SO31 4JD. From the M3 take the M27 Eastbound for Portsmouth. Exit Junction 8 of the M27 for Southampton East/Hamble-le-Rice. Follow signs for Hamble on B3397, Hamble Lane. After approximately 3 miles you will see a sign for Hamble Point Marina, just past the Fire Station. Turn right into Copse Lane which then becomes School Lane and Hamble Point Marina is at the end after approximately one mile. Keep left as you enter the marina and park in the vicinity of the Ketch Rigger pub. Our office is adjacent to the pub on the far side.

Car parking is free for our clients at Hamble Point Marina. You may park in any marked parking space apart from those reserved for short term parking and then collect a parking permit from our office. The car park is managed by MDL so please follow their guidelines



**By Train** Take the train to Southampton Parkway. This is a 20-minute taxi ride from Hamble Point Marina. It is preferable to use Southampton Parkway rather than Hamble station due to the lack of taxis at the station in Hamble.



**By Plane** The nearest airport is Southampton airport, a 20-minute taxi ride from Hamble Point Marina.



**Our Address**  
**Hamble Point Sailing School**  
**Hamble Point Marina**  
**School Lane**  
**Hamble**  
**Southampton**  
**SO31 4NB**



# What should I bring?



Waterproof clothing (Jacket, Trousers and Boots) are included in your course but please feel free to bring your own if you have them. In addition to waterproofs we suggest the below essentials. Most practical courses include night sailing so please make sure you bring some warm clothing, even in the summer!

Clothes that are quick drying are preferable to jeans. You should bear in mind that neither salt water, nor the environment of a yacht is particularly kind to your clothes.

- Sleeping bag
- Toiletries & Towel
- Underwear, warm socks etc
- Trousers (not jeans, usually 2 pairs are sufficient)
- T Shirts/ Long, Short sleeve tops
- Jumpers/Fleeces
- Hat & Gloves
- Deck Shoes / Trainers with soft white soles
- Suntan Lotion & Sun glasses
- Seasickness tablets if needed

Please also ensure you bring any personal medicine and inform the office and your instructor prior to you leaving. Stowage is limited and most of your kit should fit into one soft holdall. Please **DO NOT** bring suitcases, hard bags or bags with wheels.

# Catering



**Your course is fully catered with breakfast, lunch and dinner. We would suggest bringing some cash with you as you more than likely eat ashore one evening or head to the bar after a day on the water.**

**Whilst we try to cater for everyone please bear in mind that everyone on board has different tastes! We would suggest if you have any particular dietary requests outside of any intolerances or allergies that you bring these with you.**

**A suggested menu for a typical week onboard is detailed below. All provisions to cook will be onboard. Please feel free to move meals around as an when you wish, this is just a suggestion! If there is anything additional you would like please feel free to bring this along with you.**

**Typically, your last evening is mostly spent in a local pub debriefing from your week.**

**Please be aware that for any special dietary intolerances or allergies we charge a suppliment of £10 per day. Please let the office know as soon as possible.**





# Example of a Suggested Menu

	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner
Day 1	N/A	Ham, Cheese & Salad Wraps	Shepherd's Pie/Veg & Gravy
Day 2	Sausage, Eggs, Beans & Toast	Sandwiches with various fillings	Tuna & Sweetcorn Pasta Bake
Day 3	Muesli & Banana or Egg sandwiches	Soup & Hot Rolls	Chilli & Rice with Salad
Day 4	Porridge with Banana & Jam	Quiche & Salad	Tinned Meal / Dinner Ashore
Day 5	Muesli & Banana / Toast	Rolls & Soup or Sandwiches	N/A





# Additional Information & FAQ's...





# Useful Info...



## Seasickness

If you think you might be affected by seasickness you may wish to start on medication before the start of your course and wean yourself off as you find your sea legs! You must make your own medical decisions, or seek professional advice, before taking any treatment. Should you become unwell during your course please let your instructor know as there is much we can do to minimise the effects.

## Insurance

We recommend that you take out personal insurance providing cover against personal accident, medical and emergency expenses, personal liability, legal expenses, loss of baggage, personal effects, money, cancellation and travel disruption. All our Yachts are fully insured. (Details available upon request)

## Cancellation

In the event of either the yacht or instructor being unavailable to complete the course, our liability shall be limited to a refund of the unspent portion of the fees paid to us.

## Safety Equipment

All our yachts are fully equipped with all the relevant safety kit in line with MCA regulations, including lifejackets for all persons onboard. Please feel free to bring your own if you have one. All children must be fitted with suitable lifejackets which are stored in our office. These must be ordered in advance.

Baby/Toddler (Up to 15kg) Child (15-30kg) and Junior (30-50kg)

# Useful Info...



## **Lost Property**

Please check you have all your personal belongings with you before you vacate the yacht. Any unclaimed items will be disposed of after 28 days. Please inform us prior to this if you have left anything behind. These may be returned to you at a cost of £10 plus the postage and packing cost (Please note the charge may be higher for heavy, large or valuable items)

## **Feedback**

We ask student to complete a feedback form at the end of each course. This enables us to maintain our high standards. If you have any comments regarding service offered by Hamble Point Sailing School please raise it with a member of staff. If you are unable to raise the issue with the member of staff concerned, please contact us via the office address or telephone within 28 days. We will make an initial response within 48 hours and will make every effort to resolve the issue satisfactorily within 14 days.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions!



