Course Information: ASD/ATD
(Module 1 – Tug Handling)

Course description: This is a simulator based course for 10 days as a foundation precursor to live onboard training and assessing.

Simulators: 360° full mission TugSim + 220° full mission bridge ShipSim (that can be operated as a TugSim when required) + TugSim sub-station with independent Combi-Levers and winch controls. All simulators can be interfaced to run together.

The STA course is very structured and refined to a defined standard that is non-subjectively assessed. The course is 5 days in total, Monday to Friday.

Module 1 – ASD Tug Handling - Combi Controls - 5 days

The assessment made is non-subjective and is based upon your ability to:

1. Competently drive an ASD/ATD tug. This element of the course will take about 5 days of instruction to achieve. A timed competency assessment is then conducted (after practice) over a common circuit that incorporates the foundation of manoeuvres required to handle a tug. This has to be completed satisfactorily on four consecutive circuits within 30% of the instructor’s time.

2. You will also be assessed to competently undertake operational duties in berthing and sailing of the tug and have a working knowledge of your Company’s requirements with regard to managing its tugs. This is assessed orally.

The Seaways Training Academy programme has been designed to give you the skill sets as an introduction to lay a solid foundation that needs to be both consolidated and enhanced via live onboard training prior to a TugSim master being assessed and signed off as competent.

Total STA Simulation Course = 5 days.

Cost of the course includes:

- Taxi transfers to and from airport,
- 5 days simulation training at STA,
- Course manuals,
- Lunches each course day,
- Coffees & soft drinks,
- UK mobile phone with £10 credit and bag with all learning aids included.

Total course cost = £3,550 per person + VAT @ 20% (VAT is reclaimable for companies & overseas clients)
Training times:  Training will normally commence at 08:30 daily and complete at 17:00. A varied lunch is made available from 12:00 daily. This can be arranged to meet your specific ethnic dietary requirements (please advise). Fruit, water, tea and coffee are available at all times during training. There is free WIFI at the Seaways Training Academy for use in breaks.

SeaWays Trainer:  Capt. Steve Sandy is a fully trained and accredited SeaWays Training Master with Serco Ltd and is their National Training Manager with direct responsibility for internal marine training. He has had extensive experience in operating VOITH and Z-peller tugs.

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Locations:  The simulator training will be conducted at the Training Academy sited in Portsmouth, UK at the premises of Transas Marine Ltd (address shown above).

Portsmouth – population 207,000
Portsmouth is a city and a seaport lying on the south coast of England with a Royal Naval Dockyard and port that incorporates a ship repair and refit facility. The port has a busy cross channel ferry RORO terminal to France and has a small commercial port. Local ferry traffic connects the port with the nearby Isle of Wight. Portsmouth and Southsea have a wealth of maritime historical sites that include the famous VICTORY (Nelson’s Flagship), WARRIOR (Victorian battleship) and the MARY ROSE (recovered wreck of a Tudor warship). The ‘Gunwharf’ retail area has a wide range of store and restaurants. Portsmouth has two Mosques.

Travel:  Portsmouth is a city approximately 1½ hour from London (Heathrow Airport) by road. SeaWays will arrange a TRANSFER service to meet your flight arrival time at Heathrow (to be advised before arrival).

On arrival proceed to the INFORMATION CENTRE in the arrival Terminal. The driver will advertise your name on a signboard and will then conduct your transfer to your pre-booked hotel (to be advised before arrival). The transfer company is ‘Smiths for Airports’ (Tel: 023 9283 1111 if required).

The SeaWays Training Centre is 1.4 miles from the Inn Lodge, Burfields Road and 1.8 miles from the Portsmouth Hilton. The most convenient Local taxi is Aqua Cars 023 9264 4444

Climate:  The UK has a maritime climate. During your visit you can expect outside air temperature to be between 4 to 11 degrees Celsius. A waterproof coat and shoes are recommended.

Currency:  British pounds sterling

Extras:  You will have the option to borrow a Seaways pay as you go phone to use whilst on your visit in the UK. It will come with £10 credit for local calls to restaurants or taxi services. You must return the phone on the last day before certificates are given out. (No phone, no certificate)
Accommodation: Suggested hotels:

**Hilton Portsmouth**
- £90 per night WiFi extra
- Eastern Road
- Farlington
- PORTSMOUTH
- PO6 1UN
- Tele: 44 23 9221911

**Inn Lodge Portsmouth**
- £65 per night Free WiFi
- Burrfields Rd
- Portsmouth
- PO3 5HH
- Tel: 44 (0) 23 9265 0510

(Close to STA but on edge of city)  (Walking distance to STA but limited eateries in area)

Expenses: You or your company has contracted with SeaWays, which provides for all training costs, airport transfers, and a daily lunch during training. You are therefore responsible for all accommodation, associated sundry charges and other meals consumed whilst in the UK.

NB: Outbound flights should not be booked before 1900 local

Heath and safety: International air travel exposes the average person to airborne viruses that can cause cold & flu symptoms. You are advised to rest prior to flights and to take personal precautions against infections.

Whist in the Training Centre and simulator hand hygiene is important to prevent the spreading of infections. Please use the hand sanitizers provided at all times.

The Training Centre is air-conditioned.

There is a non-smoking policy throughout the UK, which makes it illegal to smoke inside any building. Smokers are required to stand outside the Training Academy in a designated area.

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