# 6 Of The Best Superyacht Training Courses In The UK

# Superyacht Training UK

In recent years, the UK Superyacht Industry has been booming and more individuals have become aware of the staggering amount of Superyacht Service providers and industry businesses that are based in the British Isles, much to their surprise. With this being said, alongside the boom, we've seen a higher percentage of UK residents interested in starting a career in the yachting industry. But, how do you know which Superyacht training courses in the UK are right for you?

To help your initial process of becoming crew a whole lot easier, green UK crew can find below a list of 6 UK Superyacht training courses.



Crew training academies are your first port of call when looking to embark on an exciting career journey. They provide you with all the necessary training and qualifications to find your first yacht job, whether you're interested in becoming a stewardess, deckhand, yacht engineer or yacht chef.

#### 1. UKSA



Based on the Isle of Wight, the UKSA is a national maritime charity. The training courses that they offer include but are not limited to; STCW, AEC1&2, GMDSS, Security Training courses, Leadership and Management courses, Superyacht Stewardess and Steward courses as well as the OOW and Master 3000 modules.

#### The UKSA state:

"Our reputation as one of the world's leading providers of MCA and STCW courses sets us apart as an industry leader. We offer a comprehensive range of all-inclusive courses designed to make career development as effective and straight-forward as possible"

At their facilities, located in West Cowes, full board is included, taking the stress out of organising meals during your stay.

#### 2. South West Maritime Academy



Located in South West England, close to Bristol and South Wales, the South West Maritime Academy claims to have a student pass rate of 100%. They offer all of the important yachting courses such as STCW, Medical First Aid, Fire Safety and Security courses. Their full STCW packages and dates can be viewed here.

There are several options for comfortable accommodation that are close to the training facilities, these are also broken down on their website.

#### SWMA claim that:

"Whatever and wherever you choose, we will adapt and develop specific training and programmes to support your needs and will also remind you when re-certification is required for individuals to ensure continued compliance"

### 3. Flying Fish

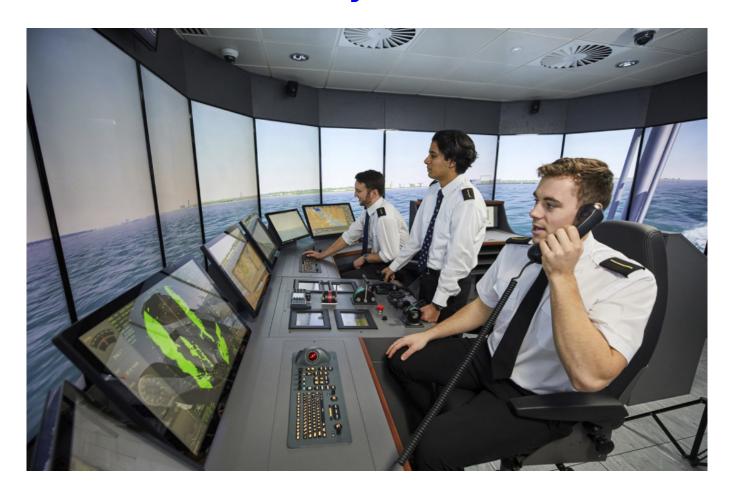


Specialising in Superyacht training courses such as the Yachtmaster Ocean and Yachtmaster Offshore courses, as well as Water Sports and other Superyacht training courses, Flying Fish is a training centre that prides itself on a personal touch provided during courses. They also offer Stewardess and interior training courses. After enrolment, the team claim to take the time to get to know students as individuals, and not just a name on the register — from their background and previous experience to their hopes for their future careers.

Located on the Isle Of Wight, the school make use of their proximity to The Solent, a hub for water sports and yachting.

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### 4. Warsash Academy



Warsash Academy operates at Solent University, Southampton. With state of the art facilities such as the Engine Room Simulator and Maritime Simulation Centre, they are world leaders in superyacht training, having invested over 43 million in technology and resources.

Offering over 150 accredited deck, engineering, interior, maritime and offshore safety training courses, approved by the MCA, MNTB, OPITO, SIGTTO, SQA, and other awarding bodies, Warsash is one of the best options for those looking to get serious about a career on Superyachts.

## 5. Bristol Maritime Academy



Direct access to the 'challenging' tides of Avonmouth and the Bristol Channel makes the Bristol Maritime Academy an excellent training location for aspiring superyacht crew, and for those who are looking to further their career with courses such as the RYA Day Skipper Theory and Yachtmaster Theory courses.

"For over a decade, our team of highly qualified instructors have trained small and large teams to keep safe near the water with our unique training courses delivered online, onshore, on water, and on-site. We believe in professionals training professionals and ensuring the training is appropriate to your team's working environment" — Bristol Maritime Academy

For more information, including further details of the courses on offer, <u>click here</u>.

### 6. The Maritime Skills Academy



Part of the <u>Viking Maritime Group</u>, The Maritime Skills Academy have locations in Portsmouth and Dover. The academy offers the UK's first purpose-built marine safety and training centre using a classroom environment and on-site fire ground. Courses on offer include STCW training, deck training, medical training and fire safety.

Viking Maritime also operate <u>Viking Crew</u>, who run a jobs board crew can use when searching for positions on vessels. This is a great place for graduates of the Skills Academy to find work after completion of training.

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