



Fully Online CPD Accredited  
**Maritime English Test [MET]**  
for Deck Ratings

## About

The Deck Department is supported by Deck Ratings, whose duties will include supporting the Officer of the Watch, assisting with navigation, keeping a lookout, and steering the vessel, when necessary, as well as other duties such as maintenance and repair, operating equipment, cargo handling, mooring, safety, security, and firefighting duties.

These duties demand a good standard of English, and the VIRSEC Maritime English Test for Deck Ratings is designed to assist Ship Operators and employers make recruiting and training decisions by assessing the English language understanding and skills of crew in this role.

## Test Duration

The user must attempt the test in 90 minutes, and in one sitting. Candidates will be timed as they tackle the questions, to simulate exam conditions and must achieve a minimum score of 65% to pass.

**Note:** If a candidate does not answer all of the questions by the time the timer runs out, they will fail those unanswered questions. Test delegates will be allowed a second attempt at the test for free should they not succeed the first time. If they fail a second attempt, the test will have to be re-purchased.

## Target Audience

The VIRSEC Maritime English Test for Deck Ratings is designed to assess candidates' English language competence between the levels of 'Beginner' and 'Elementary' (CEFR (Europe): A1 to A2 and ILR (United States): Level 0 to 1).

A candidate at these levels will be able to understand and produce frequently used expressions relating to areas of most immediate relevance to the function of a Deck Rating on board a ship. This corresponds to the STCW Maritime Functional Areas below:

- Navigation
- Cargo Handling & Stowage
- Radio Communications
- Ship Operations, Crew & Passengers

## Regulations

The English Tests are designed from the ground up using approved guidelines from the International Maritime Organisation (IMO Model English Course 3.17); IMO Standard Marine Communication Phrases (SMCPs); and consistent with the functional framework set out by the Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW).



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## Test Subject Areas

The Test will demonstrate competency in Maritime English and covers the 5 language skills of:

- Listening
- Reading
- Grammar
- Vocabulary
- Numeracy

## Awarding Body

The Online Maritime English Test for Deck Ratings is accredited under the CPD Accreditation Group.



## Why Take This Test

- ✓ VIRSEC Maritime English Tests are 100% Online
- ✓ Questions Draw from a Randomised Pool
- ✓ Includes STCW Maritime Functional Areas & IMO SMCPs
- ✓ Assesses the Five Primary Language Skills
- ✓ 40% of Questions Assess Spoken-Word Comprehension
- ✓ Consistent with Internationally Recognised Standards
- ✓ Rapid Turnaround on Official Test Certificate
- ✓ Access to Test for 6 Months from Date of Purchase or Until Completion

## Pre-Requisites

There are no pre-requisites for taking this online Maritime English Test [MET].

## Course Pricing

The online test is £12 UK Pounds [+VAT] or the equivalent of an associated currency at the time of purchasing this course. Email us to learn about bulk course booking discounts.

## Discount Offer

If you purchase this test today, please use the following coupon code to receive **10% OFF** the listed course price.

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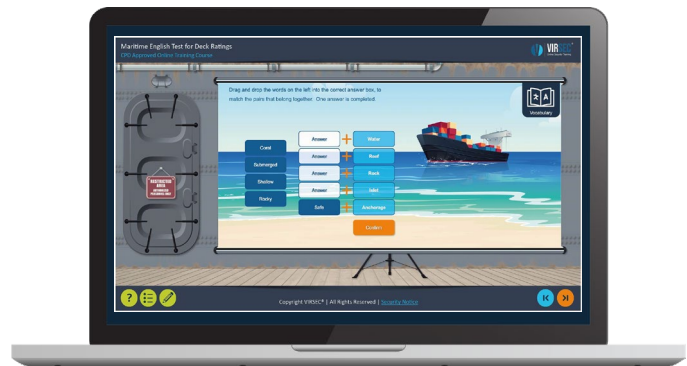
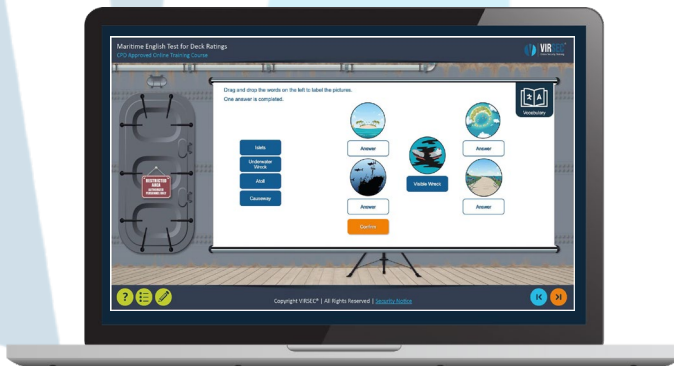
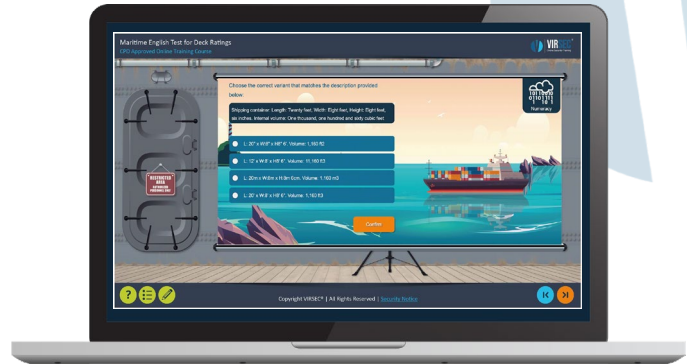
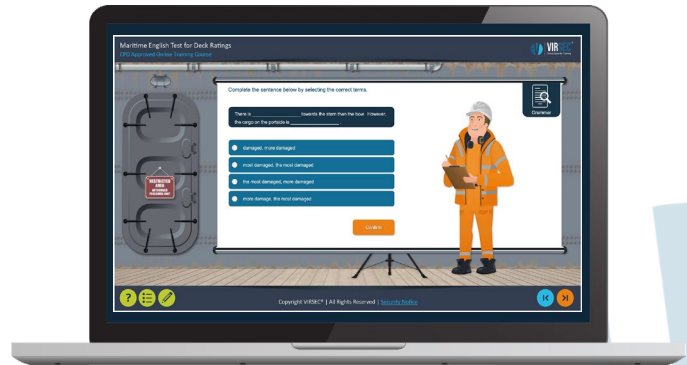
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