



**Fully Online MCA Approved [STCW ISPS]
Proficiency as Ship Security Officer
for Superyacht Crew & Staff**





About

The Proficiency as Ship Security Officer [SSO] Course, also referred to a Vessel Security Officer [VSO] is a mandatory training requirement under STCW ISPS for members of a Ship's Crew fulfilling the role of Ship Security Officer appointed by the Shipping Company.

The course teaches the learner to ensure both the security of the ship, as well as the implementation and support of the Ship Security Plan. This course has been specifically tailored for potential Ship Security Officers for Superyachts, Mega Yachts & Motor Yachts.

Target Audience

The course is aimed at those seeking a certificate of proficiency as a Ship Security Officer compliant with Chapter XI-2 of the annex to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) 1974, as amended and the International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code.

Course Duration

The Ship Security Officer [SSO] Course duration is approximately 21 hours in duration. A slight variation is allowed for individual reading speeds, but this minimum must be met in order to successfully pass this course.

Awarding Body

The Ship Security Officer [SSO] Course is fully Approved under the UK Department for Transport Maritime & Coastguard Agency [MCA] and meets with STCW Reg VI/5, paragraph 1 and Section A-VI/5, paragraphs 1 to 4 of the STCW Convention and Code 1978, as amended.



Regulations

The course has been developed with the following considerations:

1. MNTB Security Courses Criteria [2nd Edition]
2. Regulation VI/5 of the STCW Convention and Code [2010]
3. IMO Model Course 3.19 [2012 Edition]
4. Chapter XI-2 of the annex to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea [SOLAS] Convention 1978 [as amended]
5. The International Ship & Port Security [ISPS] Code 2004 as amended [STCW Table A-VI/5]



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Course Subjects

- ✓ The Development of the International Ship and Port Facility Security Code
- ✓ Understand the roles and responsibilities of relevant bodies and organisations
- ✓ The roles and responsibilities of Contracting Governments, Designated Authorities, and Recognised Security Organisations
- ✓ The Security Roles & Responsibilities of Crew and Port Security Personnel
- ✓ Measures and Procedures for Maritime Security [MARSEC] Levels
- ✓ Recognition of weapons, dangerous substances, and devices
- ✓ Recognition of persons who may pose a threat to the security of the ship
- ✓ Identifying techniques used to circumvent security measures
- ✓ The handling of Sensitive Security-Related Information [SSRI] and Communications
- ✓ Identifying security threats including Maritime Piracy & Armed Robbery against Shipping
- ✓ Declarations of Security [DoS]
- ✓ The On-Scene Security Survey
- ✓ The Ship Security Assessment [SSA]
- ✓ The Ship Security Plan [SSP]
- ✓ The provisions for maintaining security
- ✓ Criteria for setting Maritime Security [MARSEC] levels under the ISPS Code
- ✓ Actions to prevent weapons, dangerous substances and devices being brought on board
- ✓ Guidance and measure for Anti-Piracy and Anti-Armed Robbery
- ✓ Responses to Emergency Situations including Maritime Piracy & Armed Robbery against Shipping
- ✓ Physical Searches & Non-Intrusive Inspections
- ✓ Crowd Management & Control Requirements
- ✓ Crew Training, Emergency Drills & Exercises
- ✓ European Commission [DG MOVE] and European Maritime Safety Agency
- ✓ Port and Flag States
- ✓ UK DfT Maritime Security and the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA)
- ✓ Recognised Security Organisations and limitations in their use
- ✓ The Shipping Company
- ✓ Masters Authority and Discretion for Ship Safety and Security
- ✓ Authority of the Duly Authorised Officer [DAO]
- ✓ Ship Identification Number [SIN], Automatic Identification System [AIS], Ship Security Alert System [SSAS] and Long-Range Identification and Tracking [LRIT]
- ✓ And more



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Course Learning Outcomes

The SSO Course meets with the following Learning Outcomes as set out by the Merchant Navy Training Board.

1. The learner understands the importance of ship security and the roles and responsibilities of organisations and individuals involved in it.
2. The learner knows how to assess security risk, threat and vulnerability to the ship, its personnel, cargo, and operations.
3. The learner understands the capabilities and limitations of security methods, equipment, and systems.
4. The learner knows how to implement a ship security plan and related regulatory requirements.
5. The learner knows how to determine the effectiveness of current security arrangements, procedures, and equipment.
6. The learner understands how to promote security awareness and vigilance on board ship.

Course Pricing

The online course is £560 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.

Why Take This Course

- ✓ UK DfT MCA Approved
- ✓ Fully STCW ISPS Recognised Course
- ✓ Fully Compliant with IMO Model 3.19
- ✓ This Course is IMO Whitelisted
- ✓ No Expiry on the Official Course Certificate
- ✓ 100% Online including Course Assessments
- ✓ Full Set of Course Notes to Keep
- ✓ Learning Confirmation Exercises Throughout
- ✓ Interactive Course Learning Materials
- ✓ Rapid Turnaround on Course Certification
- ✓ Flexible Learning at Your Own Pace
- ✓ Course Tailored for this Specific Sector
- ✓ Take Online or Offline Using the APP

Pre-Requisites

There are mandatory MCA pre-requisites for attending this SSO Course. Please refer to our website for more details.

Discount Offer

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

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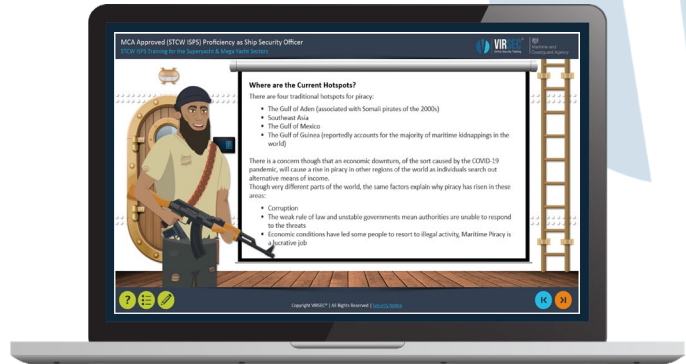
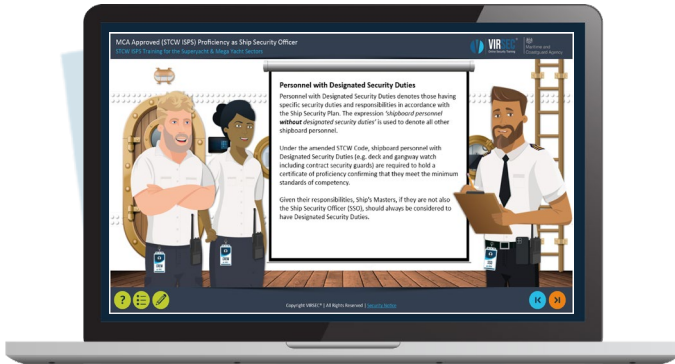
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