



Croatia - Sailing Requirements:

To cruise in Croatia, there must be at least one certified skipper over 18 years old. The skipper should be competent at handling a yacht in close quarters, anchoring and mooring in varying conditions and be able to use navigation and pilotage skills to plan the day's sailing and know your position at any time. As a yacht skipper, you are required to have an official sailing license or a certificate issued by a government of state approved organization as detailed below:

Skipper is **REQUIRED** to have one (1) of the following:

- RYA Day Skipper Course
 - ICC (International Certificate of Competence), International
 - IPC (International Proficiency Certificate), America
- Prerequisites: ASA 103 or US Sailing "Bareboat Cruising Course"

OR

- NauticEd SLC (International Sailing License and Credentials), International
- UK - MCA Master (Yacht less than 500 gt), RYA Day Skipper Shorebased Certificate or above
- USA - US Sailing "Basic Keelboat", ASA "103 Basic Coastal Cruising" or above
- Germany - "Sportbootführerschein See" or above
- Belgium - Algemeen Stuurbrevet/ Brevet de conduite général
- France - LE PERMIS PLAISANCE

Skipper is **REQUIRED** to have a VHF Radio Operator's License, please contact your Vacation Planning specialist if you need additional information.

A list of officially accepted licenses is available at the Croatian Ministry of Maritime Affairs. Please check the list of officially accepted licenses before contacting the base with any queries as the list is updated every few months. This list is organized by country and details the accepted competence levels for experience, boat size and distance-from-shore-sailing for the various certificates accepted.

How to prepare your charter

A copy of all sailing certificates must be sent to the base and received at least 2 weeks before the start of the charter. It is also required that skippers take their original copies of certificates with them, as they will be asked to present them with their boat paper to the port authorities on arrival. It is essential that you take your original skippers license or certificate with you in the event that the Port Authorities ask you to present it to them. If you do not have an official sailing license, by law the team at base will not be able to allow you to charter without an officially certified skipper onboard.

What if I do not have a license ? If you do not hold a recognized sailing license, we will assist you in finding an accredited program. In Croatia, Sunsail Agana RYA Sailing School runs RYA Day Skipper and RYA Competent Crew courses. Completion of the RYA Day Skipper Course will also guarantee you the ICC on application without any further courses or exam.

Please contact us for more details.

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