

## Chief Officer

Superior: Master  
Deputy: First Officer  
Subordinates: First Officer, Second Officers and Deck Hands c.d.

### Job description:

Acts as the ship's Officer in charge of Watch, superior of the deck department and the safety and occupational health and safety manager.

- Represents the Master on the bridge when acting as the Officer in charge of Watch, being responsible for
  - safe navigation of the ship according to good seamanship and skills, paying particular attention to avoiding collision and grounding.
  - the use of electronic navigation equipment and having profound knowledge of the properties and limitations of this equipment
  - the ship's radio communications during his watch.
  - the correctness of logbook entries made during his watch.
- Is responsible for the plans related to loading/unloading and supervising the performance of tasks.
- Informs other Officers of the ongoing and future tasks and the Officers' contributions to them.
- Is responsible for providing information about the safety system to the ship's crew and visitors and for the induction measures for the deck department.
- Is responsible for maintaining the lifesaving equipment.
- Is responsible for the planning of drills and the monitoring of the drill schedule.
- Supervises the maintenance operations of the deck department.
  - Presents the deck department's acquisitions to the Master within the budget.
  - Ensures that the scheduled maintenance tasks are carried out at the correct time.
  - Is responsible for the implementation of maintenance and repairs of the hull, deck structures and water tanks.
  - Ensures that the maintenance and repair tasks in the deck department are carried out, recorded, and reported.
- Is responsible for the entries in the logbook of tasks in the deck department in the electronic system.
- Takes care of the working time organisation in the deck department together with the Master
- Is responsible for the ship's stability calculations.
- Is responsible for ballast water management.
- Is responsible for keeping Safety meetings with crew and offshore personnel.
- Arranges and executes toolbox talks for deck department and department related tasks. Makes sure that any necessary risk assessments and work permits are prepared.
- Takes part in executive meetings as the head of deck department.
- Tasks in accordance with the muster list.
- Participation in mooring/unmooring and anchoring operations.
- Other tasks assigned by the superior.

### Cooperation and communication:

- Other departments of the ship
- Occupational health and safety meetings
- Other ships / icebreakers in the projects
- Charterers representatives / customers
- Merchant vessels
- Pilot stations and port authorities
- Subcontractors

**Minimum qualifications:**

- Experience and knowledge on an icebreaker and Offshore industry, with at least 1 year experience as a First Officer.
- Minimum 2 years of Baltic Sea icebreaking experience.
- Expert level ship handling skills of the vessel type and thrusters with a minimum one year of experience.
- Requirements for personal qualities include good human skills for working as a superior of the department and as a member of the crew with minimal conflicts between other people on board.
- Ability to work at sea tolerating isolation, working well with other members of the crew, and tolerating vessel movements without getting seasick easily.
- Before assigning a steady position the details and qualities of a person need to be assessed with the superiors and the office for approval.

**Minimum Requirements of Certificates and Training:**

The following competence and certification requirements are based on the Finnish law and regulations which apply to Finnish vessels sailing under the Finnish flag and the crews and owners of such vessels.

- Certificate of Competency - Master II/2
- Combined Certificate of Proficiency - VI/1, VI/2.1, VI/2.2, VI/3, VI/4.1, VI/4.2, VI/5
- Endorsement of Certificate GMDSS, GOC - IV/2
- Personal Survival Training, A-VI/1-1
- Fire Prevention and Fire Fighting, A-VI/1-2
- Elementary First Aid, A-VI/1-3
- Personal Safety and Social Responsibility, A-VI/1-4
- Survival Craft and Rescue Boat, A-VI 2-1
- Fast Rescue Boat, A-VI/2-2
- Advanced Fire Fighting, A-VI/3
- Medical First Aid, A-VI/4-1
- Medical Care, A-VI/4-2
- Ship Security Officer, A-VI/5
- Bridge Resource Management (BRM) or Maritime Resource Management (MRM)\*\*\*\*\*
- Basic Training in Operating in Polar Waters, A-V/4-1
- Advanced Training in Operating in Polar Waters, A-V/4-2

\*\*\*\*\* Bridge Resource Management (BRM) or Maritime Resource Management (MRM) is a recommendation for Masters and Deck Officers

**General and Company Manning Standards:**

- Passport
- Seafarer's Medical Certificate
- Contract of Employment
- Fluent Finnish (working language on the vessel)
- Fluent English
- Familiarization Procedures according to the Vessel Handbook
- HSSEQ Manual