

Marine Rescue WA Training Program

❖ This diagram is to be read in conjunction with the Training Program Implementation Guide

Key

- Required
- Specialist
- * = Dependent on Group Role/Accreditation/Equipment

Marine Rescue Member

- VMR Operational Induction (Online)
- AIIMS Awareness (Online)

Shore Based Radio Operator

- VMR Group Radio Operations Induction
- Marine Radio Operator's Certificate of Proficiency (MROCP)
- or
- Short Range Operator Certificate of Proficiency (SROCP)
- or
- Long Range Operator Certificate of Proficiency (LROCP)

Marine Rescue Crew

- VMR Group Vessel Induction
- Sea Survival 1
- Marine Radio Operator's Certificate of Proficiency (MROCP)
- or
- Short Range Operator Certificate of Proficiency (SROCP)
- or
- Long Range Operator Certificate of Proficiency (LROCP)
- Provide First Aid
- Sea Survival 2
- Marine WHS (Online)
- Seamanship 2

Marine Rescue Senior Crew

- Marine Navigation - Basic
- Recreational Skippers Ticket
- VMR Towing/Rafting

Rescue Skipper (Restricted)

- Marine Regulations 1
- Marine Navigation Intermediate
- Pollution Prevention (Online)
- Vessel Operations 1

Rescue Skipper

- Marine Navigation - Advanced
- Vessel Operations 2
- Vessel Operations 3

Specialist Courses

- Workplace Trainer Assessor
- Bushfire Safety Awareness (SES and Marine Rescue)
- Basic WAERN
- Life Raft Survival*
- Provide First Aid
- Mental Health First Aid
- WAERN Advanced Radio Use
- Leadership Fundamentals
- Marine Search & Rescue Initial Response (WAPOL)



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Marine Rescue Member



Training Program Entry

Training Programs are a role-based training framework designed for progressive and safe training.

As a volunteer, you will be placed on the Marine Rescue Member Training Program on eAcademy before you can commence any training. This applies to all new and current volunteers engaging in training with DFES.

You will be notified via email when your application is approved and confirmed. The Training Program will then appear on your eAcademy record.

Prerequisite Requirements

You will automatically be enrolled on the Marine Rescue Member Training Program once you have completed a Volunteer Membership Application and have a DFES Volunteer Number.

Completion Requirements

To complete the Marine Rescue Member Training Program, you need to complete all the training courses listed on the Training Program.

Training Programs Progress – Next Steps

Once you have completed the Marine Rescue Member Training Program, you will be automatically enrolled on the following Marine Rescue Training Programs:

- *Shore Based Radio Operator* and/or
- *Marine Rescue Crew*

You can be registered on more than one Training Program at any one time, if they are relevant to your role/s.

Associated Roles

When you have completed this Training Program, you will have the skills and competencies required to perform the Marine Rescue Member role.

Recommended Timeframe

The recommended timeframe for completing this Training Program is 6 months.

Recognition

Contact the Marine Rescue Training Coordinator at vmr.training@dfes.wa.gov.au for further details if you would like to enquire about the Recognition of Current Competencies (RCC) process. This process may be used to recognise your existing skills, commercial marine qualifications, knowledge and experience in a course.

Additional Approvals

In addition to your Group Supervisor, applications need to be approved by the *relevant District Officer Marine (DFES Staff)*.

Training Program Changes

The nominated Training Program Manager, in consultation with the Volunteer Marine Rescue WA Association, reviews this Training Program annually.

Changes to this Training Program will be incorporated in the transition notes below. Enrolled students will be notified if action is required.

Training Program Contacts

The Training Program Owner is the Assistant Commissioner Capability.

Questions regarding this Training Program can be directed to the Marine Rescue Training Coordinator.

Training Program Consultation Stakeholder Groups

Major changes to this Training Program will only be finalised after documented consultation with the following stakeholder groups;

- *Operations Command*
- *Marine Services Team*
- *Volunteer Marine Rescue WA Association*

Transition Notes

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Shore Based Radio Operator



Training Program Entry

Training Programs are a role-based training framework designed for progressive and safe training.

Prerequisite Requirements

You will automatically be placed on the Shore Based Radio Operator Training Program once you have completed the Marine Rescue Member Training Program.

Completion Requirements

To complete the Shore Based Radio Operator Training Program, you need to complete all the training courses that are listed as being required in the Training Program.

Training Programs Progress – Next Steps

Once you have completed the Shore Based Radio Operator Training Program, you will be automatically enrolled on the Marine Rescue Crew Training Program.

Associated Roles

When you have completed this Training Program, you will have the skills and competencies required to perform the Marine Rescue Radio Operator role.

Recommended Timeframe

The recommended timeframe for completing this Training Program is 6 months.

Recognition

Contact the Marine Rescue Training Coordinator at vmr.training@dfes.wa.gov.au for further details if you would like to enquire about the Recognition of Current Competencies (RCC) process. This process may be used to recognise your existing skills, commercial marine qualifications, knowledge and experience in a course.

Additional Approvals

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Marine Rescue Crew



Training Program Entry

Training Programs are a role-based training framework designed for progressive and safe training.

Prerequisite Requirements

To be automatically enrolled for the Marine Rescue Crew Training Program you need to have completed either of the following:

- *Marine Rescue Member and / or*
- *Shore Based Radio Operator*

Completion Requirements

To complete the Marine Rescue Crew Training Program, you need to complete all the training courses listed as being required on the Training Program.

Training Programs Progress – Next Steps

Once you have completed the Marine Rescue Crew Training Program, you will be automatically enrolled on the Marine Rescue Senior Crew Training Program. Volunteers with existing commercial marine qualifications may apply for Recognition of Current Competencies (RCC), see below.

Associated Roles

When you have completed this Training Program, you will have the skills and competencies required to perform the Marine Rescue Crew Member role.

Recommended Timeframe

The recommended timeframe for completing this Training Program is 2 years.

Recognition

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Additional Approvals

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Marine Rescue Senior Crew



Training Program Entry

Training Programs are a role-based training framework designed for progressive and safe training.

Prerequisite Requirements

You will be automatically enrolled on the Marine Rescue Senior Crew Training Program once you have completed the Marine Rescue Crew Training Program.

Completion Requirements

To complete the Marine Rescue Senior Crew Training Program, you need to complete all the training courses listed as being required on the Training Program.

Training Programs Progress – Next Steps

Once you have completed the Marine Rescue Senior Crew Training Program, you will be automatically enrolled on the Rescue Skipper (*Restricted*) Training Program.

Associated Roles

When you have completed this Training Program, you will have the skills and competencies required to perform the Marine Rescue Senior Crew Member role.

Recommended Timeframe

The recommended timeframe for completing this Training Program is 12 months.

Recognition

Contact the Marine Rescue Training Coordinator at vmr.training@dfes.wa.gov.au for further details if you would like to enquire about the Recognition of Current Competencies (RCC) process. This process may be used to recognise your existing skills, commercial marine qualifications, knowledge and experience in a course.

Additional Approvals

In addition to your Group Supervisor, applications need to be approved by the *relevant District Officer Marine (DFES Staff)*.

Training Program Changes

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Rescue Skipper (Restricted)



Training Program Entry

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Prerequisite Requirements

You will be automatically enrolled on the Rescue Skipper (Restricted) Training Program once you have completed the Marine Rescue Senior Crew Training Program.

Completion Requirements

To complete the Rescue Skipper (Restricted) Training Program, you need to complete all the following courses that are listed as being required on the Training Program.

Training Programs Progress – Next Steps

When you have completed the Rescue Skipper (Restricted) Training Program, you will be automatically enrolled on the Rescue Skipper Training Program.

Associated Roles

When you have completed this Training Program, you will have the skills and competencies required to perform the Rescue Skipper (Restricted) role enabling you to operate within 3nm from the TSB - baseline.

Recommended Timeframe

The recommended timeframe for completing this Training Program is 3 years.

Recognition

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Additional Approvals

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Transition from grandfathered Rescue Skipper (Restricted) Training Program to Rescue Skipper Training Program

Some volunteers may have been grandfathered up to the Rescue Skipper (Restricted) Training Program and wish to progress to Rescue Skipper Training Program, even though they have not actually completed any of the DFES training courses up to Rescue Skipper (Restricted) level.

Volunteers in this situation, will need to enrol and complete the three (3) courses held within the Rescue Skipper Training program.

Any volunteers wishing to complete this process should speak with their Training Officer, Group Commander or relevant District Officer Marine.

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Rescue Skipper



Training Program Entry

Training Programs are a role-based training framework designed for progressive and safe training.

Prerequisite Requirements

You will be automatically enrolled on the Rescue Skipper Training Program once you have completed the Rescue Skipper (Restricted) Training Program.

Completion Requirements

To complete the Rescue Skipper Training Program, you need to complete all the training courses that are listed as being required on the Training Program.

Training Programs Progress – Next Steps

Rescue Skipper is currently the final, highest level Marine Rescue Training Program. However, with the appropriate approvals, additional courses from the Training Programs Specialist Courses Catalogue may be accessed if they are relevant and will contribute to the effective performance of your Marine Rescue role. Your Group Supervisor or *District Officer Marine* will be able to assist you with this.

Associated Roles

When you have completed this Training Program, you will have the skills and competencies required to perform the Marine Rescue Skipper role enabling you to operate a suitable Marine Rescue vessel within 30nm of the TSB – baseline.

Recommended Timeframe

The recommended timeframe for completing this Training Program is 2 years.

Recognition

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