

entitled to a second examination without payment of any additional fee; but if he fail to procure his certificate of qualification on such second examination, he shall pay the same fee previous to any subsequent examination as is hereby required to be paid previous to a first examination for the certificate he seeks to procure.

2. Testimonials of character, sobriety, experience, ability, and good conduct on board ship will be required of all applicants, and without producing them no person will be examined; and as such testimonials may require examination, it is desirable that they should be lodged as early as possible.

3. Services of seamen that are not verified by the production of a certificate of discharge, or a certificate from the shipping master at St John's, or the assistant collector at Harbor Grace, stating that such seamen did serve in such vessel specified, and in the capacity, and for the period claimed, will not be accepted, unless the applicant produce satisfactory documentary evidence either from the master he sailed with or from the owners of the vessel he sailed in, stating the time he served in the vessel, and the capacity in which he served. Service as second mate in Newfoundland registered vessels will on no account be allowed to count as mate's service, unless the rating be conclusively shown to be applicable to the class of vessel. Whenever a man has been regularly promoted, on a vacancy in the course of the voyage, to the rank of master or mate, such promotion and its date must be verified by a certificate either from the master or the owner of the vessel, to enable him to receive credit for his service in a higher grade.

3 (a).—Candidates for the ordinary certificate of master, first mate, only mate, or second mate, will be required to prove that they have served at sea at least twelve months in a square-rigged sailing vessel.

In a case where an applicant for a certificate of master, first mate, only mate, or second mate, has only served in fore-and-aft rigged vessels, and is ignorant of the management of square-rigged vessels, he may obtain a certificate on which the words "fore-and-aft-rigged" vessel will be written: this certificate will not entitle the holder to act in a square-rigged vessel.

A candidate possessing a certificate for "fore-and-aft-rigged" vessels, and desiring to obtain an ordinary certificate of the same grade, must prove that he has served at sea at least twelve months in a square-rigged sailing vessel, and will be examined in navigation and seamanship. He will be required to pay half the usual fee.

4. Candidates for examination must give in their names to the examiners three days before the board meets.

5. Candidates will be required to appear at the examination-room punctually at the time appointed.

6. Candidates are prohibited from bringing into the examination-room books or papers of any kind.

7. In the event of any candidate being detected defacing, writing in, or blotting any book belonging to the examiners, the papers of such candidate will be detained until the book is replaced, but he will not be permitted to retain the damaged book.

8. In the event of any candidate being discovered copying from another, or affording assistance, he will subject himself to a failure.

9. No candidate will be permitted to work out his problem on a slate or waste paper.