considered in removing all tonnage limitations.

(3) When the applicant has 12 months of service as able seaman on vessels over 1600 gross tons while holding a license or endorsement as third mate, all tonnage limitations on the third mate's license or MMC endorsement are removed.

(d) Individuals holding licenses or endorsements as master or mate of vessels of not more than 1600 gross tons, not more than 500 gross tons, or not more than 25–200 gross tons are prohibited from using the provisions of paragraph (c) of this section to increase the tonnages of their licenses or endorsements.

§ 11.404 Service requirements for master of ocean or near coastal steam or motor vessels of any gross tons.

The minimum service required to qualify an applicant for an endorsement as master of ocean or near coastal steam or motor vessels of any gross tons is:

(a) One year of service as chief mate on ocean steam or motor vessels; or,

(b) One year of service on ocean steam or motor vessels while holding a license or MMC endorsement as chief mate of ocean steam or motor vessels as follows:

1. A minimum of six months of service as chief mate; and,

2. Service as officer in charge of a navigational watch accepted on a two-for-one basis (12 months as second or third mate equals six months of creditable service).

§ 11.403 Structure of deck officer endorsements.

The following diagram illustrates the deck officer endorsement structure, including cross over points. The section numbers on the diagram refer to the specific requirements applicable.