§ 11.435 Service requirements for master of inland steam or motor vessels of any gross tons.

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

(a) One year of service as first class pilot (of other than canal and small lakes routes) or mate of Great Lakes or inland steam or motor vessels of more than 1,600 gross tons; or,
(b) Two years of service as wheelsman or quartermaster while holding a master's first class pilot license or MMC endorsement.

§ 11.437 Service requirements for mate of Great Lakes and inland steam or motor vessels of any gross tons.

(a) The minimum service required to qualify an applicant for an endorsement as mate of Great Lakes and inland steam or motor vessels of any gross tons is:

(1) Three years of service in the deck department of steam or motor vessels, at least six months of which must have been on vessels on inland waters and at least six months of which must have been as able seaman, inland mate, boatswain, wheelsman, quartermaster, or equivalent position;
(2) Graduation from the deck class of the Great Lakes Maritime Academy;

(b) While holding a license or MMC endorsement as master of Great Lakes and inland steam or motor vessels of not more than 1600 gross tons, one year service as mate on vessels of over 200 gross tons.

(b) Service gained in the engine department on vessels of appropriate tonnage may be creditable for up to six months of the service requirements under paragraph (a)(1) of this section.

§ 11.442 Service requirements for master of Great Lakes and inland steam or motor vessels of not more than 1600 gross tons.

The minimum service required to qualify an applicant for an endorsement as master of Great Lakes and inland steam or motor vessels of not more than 1600 gross tons is:

(a) Three years total service on vessels. Eighteen months of the required service must have been on vessels of over 100 gross tons. One year of the required service must have been as a master, mate, or equivalent supervisory position on vessels of over 100 gross tons while holding a license or MMC endorsement as master, as mate, or as master of towing vessels; or,

(b) Six months of service as operator on vessels of over 100 gross tons while holding a license or MMC endorsement as master of towing vessels.

§ 11.444 Service requirements for mate of Great Lakes and inland steam or motor vessels of not more than 1600 gross tons.

The minimum service required to qualify an applicant for an endorsement as mate of Great Lakes and inland steam or motor vessels of not more than 1600 gross tons is:

(a) Two years total service in the deck department of steam or motor, sail, or auxiliary sail vessels. One year of the required service must have been on vessels of over 100 gross tons. Six months of the required service must have been as able seaman, boatswain, quartermaster, or equivalent position on vessels of over 100 gross tons while holding a certificate or endorsement as able seaman; or,

(b) One year total service as master of steam or motor, sail, or auxiliary sail vessels, or operator of uninspected passenger vessels, of over 50 gross tons.
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§ 11.452 Service requirements for master of Great Lakes and inland steam or motor vessels of not more than 200 gross tons.

The minimum service required to qualify an applicant for an endorsement as master of Great Lakes and inland steam or motor vessels of not more than 200 gross tons is:

(a) Three years total service on vessels. One year of the required service must have been as a master, mate, or equivalent supervisory position on vessels of over 50 gross tons while holding a license or MMC endorsement as master, as mate, or as operator of uninspected passenger vessels.

(b) An applicant holding a license or MMC endorsement as master of ocean, near coastal, or Great Lakes and inland towing vessels is eligible for this endorsement after six months of service as master of towing vessels and completion of a limited examination. This requires three and one-half years of service. Two years of this service must have been served while holding a license or MMC endorsement as master or mate of towing vessels, or mate.