

(In Brief) Effective immediately: "Temporary Third Mate" requires 24 months' service on deck in any watchstanding capacity. Must have AB ticket, but no AB time is required. Must pass complete examination for Third Mate. After completing the full 36 months, word "Temporary" will be removed without examination. This "Temporary" license entitles subject to serve as Third Mate on any vessel.

Also men with full Third & Second Mate License, with 6 months service on such license, can receive endorsement without examination, to serve "Temporarily" one grade higher. Applicant does not take examination for such endorsement, but must before his permanent license is raised. No endorsement on Chief Mates' Licenses.

In brief, this new regulation is only a new method of granting waivers for men to sail in higher ratings. It does not reduce the total sea time required for any man to eventually receive his Masters' License; does not change any examination procedure.

Bowen Navigation School will keep you informed of any further changes.