U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY U.S. COAST GUARD CG-719K Rev. (01-09)

Merchant Mariner Credential Medical Evaluation Report

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- Detailed guidance on the medical and physical evaluation guidelines for merchant mariner credentials is contained in Navigational and Vessel Inspection Circular (NVIC) 4-08.
- Additional information is also available at the National Maritime Center (NMC) Homeport website
- Additional information can also be obtained from NMC at: Commanding Officer, National Maritime Center, 100 Forbes Drive, Martinsburg, WV 25404 or 1-888-I-ASK-NMC (1-888-427-5662)

Who must submit this form?

- Applicants seeking an original, renewal or raise-in-grade credential are required to complete this form (if a previous medical evaluation is not submitted within 6@ past 3 years) and submit it to the US Coast Guard.
- Guidance for required submission of this form is contained in Enclosure (1) of NVIC 4-08.

Instructions for Applicants

- Applicants are required to provide the applicant information in section I, medication information in Section III, and certification of medical conditions in Section IV.
- Applicants are required to sign and date the certification in section I of this form attesting, subject to criminal prosecution under 18 USC § 1001, that all information reported is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and that they have not knowingly omitted or falsified any material information relevant to this form.
- Applicants should also complete the release in section II of this form.

Privacy Act Statement

As required by Title 5 United States Code (U.S.C) 552a(e)(3), the following information is provided when supplying personal information to the United States Coast Guard.

- 1. Authority for solicitation of the information: 46 U.S.C. 2104(a), 7101[c]-(e), 7306(a)(4), 7313[c](3), 7317(a), 8703(b), 9102(a)(5).
- 2. Principal purposes for which information is used:
 - a. To determine if an applicant is physically capable of performing their duties.
 - b. To ensure that a duly licensed or certified Physician (MD or DO) / Physician Assistant / Nurse Practitioner conducts the applicant's physical examination/certification and to verify the information as needed.
- 3. The routine uses which may be made of this information:
 - a. This form becomes a part of the applicant's file as documentary evidence that regulatory physical requirements have been satisfied and that the applicant is physically competent to hold a credential.
 - b. The information becomes part of the total credential file and is subject to review by Federal agency casualty investigators.
 - c. This information may be used by the United States Coast Guard and an Administrative Law Judge in determining causation of marine casualties and appropriate suspension and revocation action.
- 4. Disclosure of this information is voluntary, but failure to provide this information will result in non-issuance of a credential.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The United States Coast Guard estimates that the average burden for completing this form is 20 minutes. You may submit any comments concerning the accuracy of this burden estimate or any suggestions for reducing the burden to the Commandant (CG-543) United States Coast Guard. 2100 2nd Street SW. Washington, DC 20593-0001.

Applicant Name:	Date of Rirth:

General Instructions for Medical Practitioner

- 1. The Coast Guard requires a physical examination and certification be completed to ensure that mariners:
 - Are of sound health.
 - ▶ Have no physical limitations that would hinder or prevent performance of duties (see below).
 - Are free from any medical conditions that pose a risk of sudden incapacitation, which would affect operating, or working on vessels.
- 2. The medical practitioner must ensure a complete history and physical are conducted and make recommendations as to the fitness of the applicant. Final approval of the mariner's status rests with the U.S. Coast Guard.
- 3. All examinations, tests and demonstrations must be performed, witnessed or reviewed by a physician (Medical Doctor (MD) or Doctor of Osteopathy (DO)) or nurse practitioner or a certified physician assistant licensed by a State in the U.S., a U.S. possession, or a U.S. territory. The verifying medical practitioner (VMP) who performed the examination must complete sections III, IV, VII, VIII, and IX of this form.
- 4. Detailed guidelines on medical conditions subject to further review are contained in NVIC 4-08 encl (3). Medical practitioners should be familiar with the guidelines contained within this document. NVIC 4-08 may be obtained from http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cg5/nvic/2000s.asp#2008 or by calling the nearest USCG Regional Examination Center, or the National Maritime Center (http://homeport.uscg.mil/mmcmedical) at 1-888-IASKNMC (1-888-427-5662).
- 5. Verification of medications in section III of this form includes questioning the applicant about any medications or other substances reported, reviewing relevant medical conditions to determine if the applicant has omitted any medications or other substances, and affirmatively reporting any omitted current medications or other substances where required.
- 6. All applicants who require a general medical examination must be physically examined by the verifying medical practitioner.
- 7. The verifying medical practitioner is not required to perform or witness every examination, test or demonstration. These may be referred to other qualified practitioners; however, they must be reviewed to the satisfaction of the verifying medical practitioner. The last page of this form contains a certification that the general medical examination, vision and hearing tests, as well as the physical demonstration of competence as appropriate, have been performed, witnessed or reviewed to the satisfaction of the verifying medical practitioner. Applicants who are required to complete a general medical examination are also required to complete vision tests, and they may be required to complete hearing tests and/or demonstrations of physical competence as appropriate. The verifying medical practitioner must sign and date the certification where indicated. This signature attests, subject to criminal prosecution under 18 USC § 1001, that all information reported by the verifying medical practitioner is true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge and that the verifying medical practitioner has not knowingly omitted or falsified any material information relevant to this form.
- 8. If the verifying medical practitioner is unable to determine the applicant's physical ability, the applicant should be referred to another healthcare provider who can properly evaluate and test physical abilities.

Instructions for Providing Proof of Identity

- Applicants shall present acceptable proof of identity to the medical practitioner conducting examinations.
- Medical practitioners must verify the identity of applicants before conducting examinations.
- Proof of identity shall consist of one current form of valid government issued photo identification.
- The following credentials are examples of acceptable proof of identity:
 - Unexpired official identification issued by a federal, State, or local government or by a territory or possession of the United States, such as a passport, U.S. driver's license, U.S. military ID card or Merchant Mariner's Document/Merchant Mariner Credential.

Applicant Name:	Date of Rirth:

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<u>Last Name:</u>	First Name:		T	Suffix: (Jr., Sr., III)
Age:	Date of Birth (MN	//DD/YYYY):	Social Security Number:	
Appl	licant Certifica	tion (to be	signed by applicant)	
My signature below attests, subject and correct to the best of my known relevant to this form.				
<u>Date</u> :	Printed Name:			
	Signature:			
How do you wish to be contacted?	(phone, e-mail, le	tter, fax) Ple	ase include contact information	below:
	Sec	tion II – Re	lease	
I hereby authorize the verifying n release to, or discuss with author regarding any physical or medica the Coast Guard should issue a	rized Coast Guard al condition that ma	personnel, an ay require revi	y pertinent information in his/he ew by the Coast Guard prior to o	r possession
I understand that this authorization Coast Guard's ability to make a topic for maritime service. This authorice requested credential(s) for maritical (s)	imely determinatio zation will remain	on as to whether in effect until t	er the Coast Guard should issue he Coast Guard determines who	me a credential(s)
I have read and understand the f	ollowing statemen	t about my rigl	nts:	
			n date by notifying the verifying ns taken before they received the	
► Upon request, I may see or co	py the information	described in t	his release.	
▶ I am not required to sign this r	elease to receive r	my medical ev	aluation.	
Applicant:				
Name (Printed):		Signature:		<u>Date</u> :

Applicant Name:	Date of Birth:

Applicant Name:

Section III - Medications (must be completed by applicant and reviewed by verifying medical practitioner)

Credential applicants who are required to complete a general medical exam are required to report all prescription medications prescribed, filled or refilled and/or taken within 30 days prior to the date that the applicant signs the CG-719K. In addition, all prescription medications, and all non-prescription (over-the-counter)

medications including dietary supplements and vitamins, that were used for a period of 30 or more days within the last 90 days prior to the date that the applicant signs the CG-719K or approved equivalent form, must also be reported.

The information reported by the applicant must be verified by the verifying medical practitioner or other qualified medical practitioner to the satisfaction of the verifying medical practitioner to include the following two items.

- 1. Report all medications (prescription and non-prescription), dietary supplements, and vitamins.
- Include dosages of every substance reported on this form, as well as the condition for which each substance is taken.

Additional sheets may be added by the applicant and/or qualified medical practitioner if needed to complete this section (include applicant name and date of birth on each additional sheet).
If none, check "NONE."
NONE
Section IV - Certification of Medical Conditions (must be completed by applicant and reviewed by
verifying medical practitioner)
Applicants must report their relevant medical conditions to the best of their knowledge, and the verifying medical practitioner must verify the medical conditions, using the table below. Check "yes" if the applicant has had a previous diagnosis or treatment of the condition by a healthcare provider, or if the applicant is currently under treatment or observation for the condition, or if the condition is present regardless of treatment.
If the verifying medical practitioner, or any other health care provider to the satisfaction of the verifying medical practitioner, discovers a condition not reported by the applicant, he/she must check "yes" in the appropriate block and
explain in the remarks. The verifying medical practitioner must address all reported relevant conditions in detail in this Section. This detailed explanation should include, at a minimum, identification of the condition, approximate date of diagnosis, any
limitations, whether the condition is controlled, the prognosis and any additional information as appropriate, referring to the evaluation data listed in enclosure (3) of NVIC 4-08 for each condition.
Additional sheets may be added by the applicant and/or verifying medical practitioner if needed to complete this section of the form. (include applicant name and DOB on each additional sheet).
To the best of the applicant's knowledge, does the applicant have, or have ever suffered from, any of the
following?
If YES, the applicant must PROVIDE THE TEST RESULTS AND/OR RECORDS AS INDICATED, referring to the evaluation data listed in enclosure (3) of NVIC 4-08 for each condition. Documentation of evaluation data specified in this table for all applicable medical conditions potentially requiring further review should be submitted with each application, unless otherwise specified by the NMC. Mariners, including first class pilots and those individuals "serving
as" pilots (as well as Great Lakes pilots) who are required to submit applied physical examinations to the Coast Guard

Date of Birth:

may be issued a letter by the NMC specifying the extent of the evaluation data, if any, that should be submitted to the

The verifying medical practitioner shall make comments on all answers marked "yes" on the following page for which no evaluation data has been submitted. If known to the VMP, the VMP may comment that a condition has been previously reported on a prior CG-719K, but only for those CG-719Ks submitted after December 31, 2008, and only for those

Coast Guard for any medical conditions that have been previously reported to, and evaluated by, the NMC.

conditions which have not changed since the condition was previously reported on a prior CG-719K

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1.	Identify	y the C	onditio	n 3.	Is Condition (Controlle	d?		5.	Prognosis
2.	List An	y Limi	tations	4.	Approximate	Date of D	Diagno	sis	6.	Additional Information
1		YES	NO				YES	NO		
	1.			Ear surgery,		45.			Kidney s	stones
	2.			Hearing loss, h	earing aid	46.			•	sugar/blood in urine
	3.			Impaired speed		47.				rgery or injury
	4.			Deformities of f	ace	48.				d/herniated disc
	5.			Open tracheost	tomy	49.			Fracture	s requiring surgery
	6.			Poor vision		50.			Limitatio	n of any major joint
	7.			History of eye of	lisease or injury	51.			Bone or	joint surgery
	8.			History of eye s	surgery	52.			Dislocate	ed joint
	9.			Abnormal color	vision	53.			Recurre	nt neck or back pain
	10.			Glaucoma		54.			Swollen	or painful joint
	11.			Asthma		55.			Arthritis	or bursitis
	12.			Emphysema or	COPD	56.			Trick or	locked knee
	13.			Collapsed lung	/pneumothorax	57.			Amputat	ion or prosthesis
	14.			Irregular heart l	beat	58.			Carpal to	unnel
	15.			Heart murmur of	or valve replacement	59.			Difficulty	walking or climbing
	16.			Chest pain or a	ngina	60.				or nerve pain
	17.			Heart attack/ m	yocardial infarction	61.			Other bo	one/joint disorder
	18.			Congestive hea	art failure	62.				sea sickness
	19.			Heart surgery/s	tent/angioplasty	63.			Impaired	d balance, or balance disorder or difficulty
	20.			Pacemaker or o	defibrillator	64.			Vertigo o	or dizziness
	21.			Any other hear	condition	65.			Numbne	ess or paralysis
	22.				ssure/hypertension	66.			Head inj	ury or skull fracture
	23.			Aneurysm or bl		67.			Seizures	s or epilepsy
	24.			Pulmonary emb	oolus or blood clots	68.			Recurre	nt headaches
	25.				I bleeding or ulcers	69.			Narcole	
	26.				e or ulcerative colitis				Sleep ap	
	27.			Hepatitis or jau		71.			Restless	
	28.				blems or stones	72.			_	spells or loss of consciousness
	29.			Intestinal surge		73.			Stroke o	
	30.			Any form of car	ncer	74.			Brain tur	
	31.			Anemia		75.				ain or nerve disease
	32.			Hemophilia or p		76.				OHD, or bipolar
	33.			Any other blood		77.			Depress	
	34.			Thyroid disease	9	78.				of suicide attempt
	35.			Diabetes		79.			Schizop	hrenia
	36.	⊢		HIV or AIDS		80.			Anxiety	
	37.			Lymphoma or l	eukemia	81.				or substance abuse
	38.			Tuberculosis		82.				memory or amnesia
	39.			Neurofibromato		83.				sychiatric disease or counseling
	40.			Skin tumors or	cancer	84.			Sleepwa	_
	41.			Scleroderma		85.				ing since age 12
	42. 43.			Lupus	unt an dialysis	86.			Sex cha	- -
	43. 44.	H		Kidney transpla Kidney disease		87. 88.				reactions
	44.		Ш	Mulley disease	or cancer	00.	Ш	Ш	Arry Oure	er disease, surgery or hospitalization
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This section must be completed by the verifying medical practitioner, or any other healthcare provider to the satisfaction of
the verifying medical practitioner see encl <u>5 of NVIC 4-08.</u> Additional information must be reported in Section VII. If
corrective lenses are required to meet the standard, both corrected and uncorrected vision must be tested.

Distant Uncorrected	Distant Corrected To	Field of Vision		
Right: 20 /	Right: 20 /	This applicant must have a 100 -degree	Normal	
Left: 20 /	Left: 20 /	horizontal field of vision.	Abnormal	

Section V (b) – Color Vision

The following color sense testing methodologies are acceptable:

AOC (1965) – (6 or fewer errors on plates 1-15)

AOC-HRR (2^{nd} Edition) – (No errors in test plates 7-11)

Richmond (1983) – (6 or fewer errors)

Ishihara pseudoisochromatic plates test, 14 plate (5 or less errors), 24 plate (6 or less errors) 38 plate (8 or less errors)

Titmus Vision Tester / OPTEC 2000 – (No errors on six plates)

Farnsworth Lantern (colored lights) Test per instruction booklet.

Optec 900 (colored lights) Test per instruction booklet.

An alternative test approved by the Coast Guard (indicate test)

The verifying medical practitioner must indicate test used and results (number of errors). Additional information must be reported in Section VII. Color sensing lenses (e.g. X-Chrome) are prohibited.

Color Vision:

Normal Color Vision

Abnormal Color Vision

Number of Errors

Section VI - Hearing

Normal	Abnormal Hearing	Hearing Aid Required

If abnormal hearing or hearing aid required, perform audiogram or functional speech discrimination test.

An applicant with normal hearing does not need to complete either the audiometer test or the functional speech discrimination test. The verifying medical practitioner, in consultation with any other healthcare provider he/she deems appropriate, determines whether the audiometer and/or functional speech discrimination tests are necessary. If hearing is abnormal or a hearing aid is required, refer to enclosure (5) of NVIC 4-08 for guidance.

If audiometric testing is required, the audiometer test should include testing at the following thresholds, 500Hz, 1,000 Hz, 2,000 Hz and 3000 Hz. The frequency responses for each ear are averaged to determine the measure of an applicants hearing ability. The Applicant should demonstrate an unaided threshold of 20dB in each ear.

Additional information must be reported in Section VII.

Audiometer Threshold Value	500Hz	1,000Hz	2,000Hz	3,000Hz			
Right Ear (Unaided)							
Left Ear (Unaided)							
Right Ear (Aided)							
Left Ear (Aided)							
Functional Speech	Right Ear (Unaided):			%	Right Ea	r (Aided)	%
Discrimination Test @ 55dB	Left Ear (Unaided):			%	Left Ea	r (Aided)	%

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			Section VII (a) - F				
			the verifying medical practiti information must be reported			cal staff to the s	satisfaction of the verifying
Height (inches only):			Weight (lbs):		Body Mass Index (BMI):		Gender:
Pulse Resting:			Initial Blood Pressure:		Repeat Blood		l Pressure (if needed):
	Se	ction VII (b)	– Physical Exam <i>(must</i>	be con	npleted by v	verifvina medi	cal practitioner)
#	Normal	Abnormal	System/Organ	#	Normal	Abnormal	System/Organ
1.			Head, Face, Neck, Scalp	10.			Skin
2.			Eyes / Pupils / EOM	11.			Lymphatic
3.			Mouth And Throat	12.			Neurologic
4.			Ears / Drums	13.			Vascular System
5.			Lungs And Chest	14.			Genital-Urinary System
6.			Heart	15.			Hernia
7.			Abdomen	16.			Missing extremities / Digits
8.			Upper / Lower Extremities	17.			General / Systemic
9.			Spine / Musculoskeletal				,
Se	ction VIII	- Demonst	ration of Physical Abil	ity (to l	be complete	ed by the verif	fying medical practitioner)
If the examining medical practitioner doubts the applicant's ability to meet the guidelines contained within this table, and for all applicants with a Body Mass Index (BMI) of 40.0 or higher, the practitioner shall require that the applicant demonstrate the ability to meet the guidelines. This does not mean, for example, that the applicant must actually don an exposure suit, pull an uncharged 1.5 inch diameter 50' fire hose with nozzle to full extension, or lift a charged 1.5 inch diameter fire hose to fire fighting position. Rather, the medical practitioner may utilize alternative measures to satisfy himself or herself that the applicant possesses the ability to meet the guidelines in the third column. A description of the methods utilized by the medical practitioner should be reported in Section IX.							
no	rmally wor	n by the applic	s, if required, should be perfor ant, and other aid devices, m th items would prevent the pro	ay be u	sed by the a	pplicant in all p	
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- If the verifying medical practitioner is unable to conduct the practical demonstration, the applicant should be referred to a competent evaluator of physical ability. The Coast Guard recognizes that all medical practitioners may not have the equipment necessary to test all of the tasks as listed. Equivalent alternate testing methodologies may be used. For further information, see enclosure (2) of NVIC 4-08.
- If the applicant is unable to perform any of the following functions, the examining practitioner should provide information on the degree or the severity of the applicant's inability to meet the standards. The results of any practical demonstration or attendant physical evaluation should be recorded in the Section IX.

List of tasks considered necessary for performing ordinary and emergency response shipboard functions:							
Shipboard Tasks, function, event or condition:	Related Physical Ability:	The examiner should be satisfied that the applicant:					
Routine Movement on slippery, uneven, and unstable surfaces.	Maintain Balance (equilibrium).	Has no disturbance in sense of balance.					
Routine access between levels.	Climb up and down vertical ladders and stairways.	Is able, without assistance, to climb up and down vertical ladders and stairways. Is able without assistance, to step over a door sill or coaming of 24 inches (61 centimeters) in height. Able to move through a restricted opening of 24 inches.					
Routine movement between spaces and compartments.	Step over high door sills and coamings, and move through restricted accesses.						
Open and close watertight doors, hand cranking systems, open/close valve.	Manipulate mechanical devices using manual and digital dexterity, and strength.	Is able, without assistance, to open and close watertight doors that may weigh up to 55 pounds (25 kilograms). Should be able to move hands/arms to open and close valve wheels in vertical and horizontal directions; rotate wrists to turn handles. Reach above shoulder height.					
Handle ship's stores.	Lift, pull, push, and carry a load.	Is able, without assistance, to lift at least a 40 pound (18.1 kilogram) load off the ground, and to carry, push or pull the same load.					
General vessel maintenance.	Crouch (lowering height by bending knees); kneel (placing knees on ground); and stoop (lowering height by bending at the waist). Use hand tools such as spanners, valve wrenches, hammers, screwdrivers, pliers.	Is able, without assistance, to grasp, lift and manipulate various common shipboard tools.					
Emergency response procedures, including escape from smokefilled spaces.	Crawl (the ability to move the body with hands and knees); feel (the ability to handle or touch to examine or determine differences in texture and temperature).	Is able, without assistance, to crouch, keel and crawl, and to distinguish differences in texture and temperature by feel.					
Stand a routine watch.	Stand a routine watch.	Is able, without assistance, to intermittently stand on feet for up to four hours with minimal rest periods.					
React to visual alarms and instructions, emergency response procedures.	Distinguish an object or shape at a certain distance.	Fulfills the eyesight standards for the merchant mariner credential(s) applied for. See footnote 1 of this table & enclosure (5) of NVIC 4-08.					
React to audible alarms and instructions, emergency response procedures.	Hear a specified decibel (dB) sound at a specified frequency.	Fulfills the hearing capacity standards for the merchant mariner credential(s) applied for.					
Make verbal reports or call attention to suspicious or emergency conditions.	Describe immediate surroundings and activities, and pronounce words clearly.	Is capable of normal conversation.					
Participate in firefighting activities.	Be able to carry and handle fire hoses and fire extinguishers.	Is able, without assistance, to pull an uncharged 1.5 inch diameter, 50' fire hose with nozzle to full extension, and to lift a charged 1.5 inch diameter fire hose to fire fighting position.					
Abandon ship.	Use survival equipment.	Has the agility, strength and range of motion to put on a personal flotation device and exposure suit without assistance from another individual.					

Applicant Name:	Date of Birth:

Section	n IX – Verifying Medical Practitioner Reco	mmendation		
Recommended Competent	Not Recommended Competent (explain in comments)	Needing Further Review (explain in comments)		
Comments on Recommendation:				
erifying Medical Practitioner	:			
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	Date:			
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Office TelephoneK				
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