

receive a license as mate of towing vessels if before November 21, 2003, you complete the examination required by § 10.903(a)(18)(i) and meet the requirements in either paragraph (f)(1)(i) or (f)(1)(ii) of this section:

(1) You must have served at least 18 months on deck, including 12 months on towing vessels. This service must have included—

(i) At least 3 months of training or duty in the wheelhouse of towing vessels, and 3 months of service in each

particular geographic area for which you seek endorsement on the license; and

(ii) At least 6 months on towing vessels while holding a merchant mariner's document endorsed as able seaman unlimited, able seaman limited, or able seaman special, including 3 months in each particular geographic area for which you seek an endorsement; and either—

(A) Two months of training or duty in the wheelhouse; or

(B) One month of training or duty in the wheelhouse combined with completion of a course of training as towboat operator approved by the Commanding Officer, National Maritime Center, under subpart C of this part.

6. In § 10.466, revise Table 10.466–1 to read as follows:

§ 10.466 Requirements for licenses as apprentice mate (steersman) of towing vessels.

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