

## APPLICATION FORM

CERTIFICATE 1 in CFO (General Deckhand)

### Personal information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Next of kin

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Education and training history

School/College: \_\_\_\_\_

From/To: \_\_\_\_\_

Highest level achieved: \_\_\_\_\_

Employment history (if applicable) Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of work: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

References (please supply the details of a personal referee)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Information: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Qualifications and Career Paths

Persons may enter training for Certificate 2 in Fishing Operations, Assistant Engineer course and Certificate 2 in Commercial Fishing Operations, Coastal Skipper after 18 months of sea time and recommendations by Fishing Companies they are attached too.



## For more information contact

National Fisheries Authority (HQ)  
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Or

National Fisheries College  
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## NATIONAL FISHERIES COLLEGE

FC1G17 Certificate 1 in  
CFO (General Deckhand)



*"A practical course for  
persons requiring  
deckhand qualification  
for fishing boats"*

Training Specialists for the Fishing Industry

## Course Contents

- The Certificate 1 course equips students with basic skills required for employment as qualified deckhands on fishing vessels.
- The course comprises a series of competencies covering safe working practices, safety at sea, radio operations, fish quality and handling including deckhand skills.
- The course is ‘live in’ and includes a strong focus on fitness, attitude, team work, discipline and the chain of command at sea.

## Course Duration

- This course takes a minimum of 10 weeks to complete.

## Entry Requirements

- Applicants must be over 16 years of age.
- As demand for this course is very high, preference may be given to crew nominated by fishing companies.
- Applicants must have at least Basic Numeracy and Literacy skills. May have had a basic education up to grade 8 or have passed through a TVET institution that conducts the fishing components of this Certificate 1 course.
- In addition trainees must be fit and prepared to work in a disciplined environment.

## Course Venues

- Courses are delivered in Kavieng at the National Fisheries College.

## Enrolment Procedures

- Applicants can apply through the TVET Institutions offering the CFO Certificate 1 fishing components of this course.
- Applicants should complete and return the application on the back of this brochure.
- Applicants selected for the course will be required to produce a medical certificate, and birth certificate

## Course Fees

- Contact National Fisheries College for information regarding fees.

## Course Rules

- The National Fisheries College has Rules by which all Trainees should abide by once they are accepted for training at the NFC. These Rules act as a deterrent so each Trainee can concentrate on learning and acquiring skills rather than concentrate on unnecessary activities that do not assist with a Trainees learning on Campus.

## Course Assessment

- All courses for fishing vessel crew and seafood industry workers are based on agreed industry competency standards.

- The competency standard include general knowledge and practical assessment.
- Validation on all assessment will be done when a course is completed.
- Trainees may be required to be examined by National Maritime Safety Authority as per regulations for issue of relevant Certificates of Competency

## Qualification Job Role on Fishing Vessel

Individuals operating at this level undertake a broad range of routine processes and procedures under supervision aboard a commercial fishing vessel which may include:

- Assisting with operation of fishing gear and equipment
- Basic processing and temperature control of harvest
- General cleaning and maintenance of equipment and vessel
- Handling, harvesting and sorting by-catch.

Job title may include:

- General Deckhand
- Fisher

## OTHER TRAINING PROGRAM OFFERED BY NFC

### Qualification Courses:

### Commercial Fishing Qualification Courses :

- FC1G17 Certificate 1 in Commercial Fishing Operations
- FC1P17 Certificate 1 in CFO (Purse Seine)
- FC2SC17 Certificate 2 in Commercial Fishing Operations (Coastal Skipper)
- FC2AE17 Certificate 2 in Commercial Fishing Operation (Assistant Engine Driver)
- FC3M17 Certificate 3 in Commercial Fishing Operation (Offshore Meter<24meters)
- FC3ED17 Certificate 3 in Commercial Fishing Operations (Engine Driver-Grade 2)

### Aquaculture courses:

- FQ117 Certificate 1 in Aquaculture
- FQ217 Certificate 2 in Aquaculture
- FQ317 Certificate 3 in Aquaculture
- FQ417 Certificate 4 in Aquaculture

## Post Harvest Courses:

- FP117 Certificate 1 in Post Harvest Operation
- FP217 Certificate 2 in Post Harvest Operation
- FP317 Certificate 3 in Post Harvest Operation
- FP417 Certificate 4 in Post Harvest Operation
- Diploma in Post Harvest Operation

## Compliance & Governance courses:

- FGC217 Certificate 2 in Fisheries Officer Operations
- FGC317 Certificate 3 in Fisheries Officer Operations
- FGC4EC17 Certificate 4 in Fisheries Officer Operations (Enforcement & Compliance)
- FGC4GF17 Certificate 4 in Fisheries Officer Operations (General Fisheries Operations)

## COMPETENCY UNDER CERTIFICATE 1 CFO

To be eligible to be awarded a **Certificate 1 in Commercial Fishing Operations** a person must complete the Basic Safety Training certificate and all units from Group A, Group B and Group C outlined below.

| GROUP A Mandatory Unit         |  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| FSTCMNHIVA-IDS                 | Awareness of HIV & AIDS in the fisheries sector    |
| GROUP B Fishing Specific Units |  |
| FC1G.01B                       | Meet workplace health and safety requirements      |
| FC1G.02B                       | Carry out work effectively in the seafood industry |
| FC1G.03B                       | Communicate in the seafood industry                |
| FC1G.04B                       | Apply basic food handling and safety practices     |
| FC2CS.06B                      | Clean Work Area                                    |
| FC1G.07B                       | Assemble and repair damaged netting                |
| GROUP C General Deckhand Units |  |
| FC1GDEC.01C                    | Apply deckhand skills aboard a fishing vessel      |
| FC1GDEC.02C                    | Prepare for maintenance                            |