

## **CROATIA – SAILING REQUIREMENTS:**

To charter in Croatia, there must be at least one certified skipper over 18 years old. The skipper should be competent at handling a yacht in close quarters, anchoring and mooring in varying conditions and be able to use navigation and pilotage skills to plan the day's sailing and know your position at any time. As a yacht skipper, you are required to have an official sailing license or a certificate issued by a government of state approved organization as detailed below:

**Skipper is REQUIRED** to have one (1) of the following:

- ICC (International Certificate of Competence), International  
*Prerequisites: RYA "Day Skipper Course" or complete the ICC Assessment form to prove competence from previous experience.*
- IPC (International Proficiency Certificate), America  
*Prerequisites: ASA 104 or US Sailing "Bareboat Cruising Course"*

**AND/OR**

- UK – MCA Master (Yacht less than 500 gt), RYA Day Skipper Shorebased Certificate or above
- USA – US Sailing "Basic Keelboat", ASA "103 Basic Coastal Cruising" or above
- Germany – "Sportbootführerschein See" or above
- Belgium - Algemeen Stuurbrevet/ Brevet de conduite général
- France - LE PERMIS PLAISANCE

**Skipper is REQUIRED** to have a VHF Radio Operator's License.

A list of officially accepted licenses is available at the [Croatian Ministry of Maritime Affairs](#). Please check the list of officially accepted licenses before contacting the base with any queries as the list is updated every few months. *This list is organized by country and details the accepted competence levels for experience, boat size and distance-from-shore-sailing for the various certificates accepted.*

### **Charter Preparation Tips**

It is essential that you take your original skippers license or certificate with you in the event that the Port Authorities ask you to present it to them. If you do not have an official sailing license, by law the team at base will not be able to allow you to charter without an officially certified skipper onboard.

### **What if I do not have a license?**

If you do not hold a recognized sailing license, we will assist you in finding an accredited program.

In Croatia, Sunsail Agana RYA Sailing School runs RYA Day Skipper and RYA Competent Crew courses. Completion of the RYA Day Skipper Course will also guarantee you the ICC on application without any further courses or exams.

Please contact one of our Vacation Planners to learn more!