

# Captains License Exam: Top 10 Tips for Success!

## 10. Contact Explorer's Guide Maritime Academy

We provide free tutoring for our students who need extra help. Or, call us at 1-800-487-6029, email at [staff@explorers-guide.com](mailto:staff@explorers-guide.com), or go to <http://explorersguidellc.com/resources.html>.

## 9. Don't stress

You get three chances to pass the final proctored exam. If you don't pass the first two versions, you have the opportunity to go back, study the material, and take it again.

## 8. Arrive early

'Nuff said.

## 7. Learn the material

That means read your Student Manual, watch the slide presentations, and apply what you've learned to your exams!

## 6. Take your time

The final exam is not timed, so there is no need to rush.

## 5. Read questions carefully

There are no trick questions. Being a captain means paying attention to the little details, so read every word.

## 4. Use your materials

You are NOT allowed to use a calculator on your phone/iPod/iPad/pda, a graphing calculator, a speed wheel, or anything other than a CALCULATOR, PENCIL/PEN, and PAPER.

## 3. Know your Rules

Make flash cards, make a game out of it, have your friends quiz you. The Rules are so often neglected...but SO important.

## 2. Plot with precision

This also refers back to reading the question carefully. Know what needs to be done, and use your ruler, divider, and simple calculator to perform your plotting accurately.

## 1. Do not change your answer!!

Don't do it! Unless you are SURE it is wrong, your first answer is usually correct. Don't over-think or over-analyze it.

