

## **DYNAMIC POSITIONING**

# **NEW OFFSHORE SCHEME**

## LOGBOOK GUIDE

OFFSHORE



VERSION 2

SEPTEMBER 2017



### Introduction

The information contained in this document relates to the Dynamic Positioning Operator's Offshore Training Scheme only unless otherwise specified and is to be used in conjunction with the grey coloured A5 (14.8cm x 21cm) size Nautical Institute DP logbook, which is issued to trainee DPOs starting the Offshore Training Scheme on or after 1 January 2015. The new Offshore Training Scheme was introduced on 1 January 2015 and forms part of The Nautical Institute's Dynamic Positioning Operator's Training and Certification Scheme. Other schemes under this umbrella scheme are:

- Shuttle Tanker training
- Conversion
- Revalidation

This guide is designed to assist you, as a trainee DPO, in completing your logbook correctly before applying to The Nautical Institute for your DP certificate. Please read this guide and the information contained in the logbook itself very carefully as failure to do so may result in errors that may cause your application to be rejected and returned to you as unsuccessful.

Please note that this guide is not to be used as a sole source of information for the rules pertaining to the Offshore Training scheme. Although we try to include as much information as we can in our logbook guides their main purpose is to assist you in completing your logbook. Therefore it is to be used in conjunction with the document entitled "DP Accreditation and Certification Scheme", which is available to download from our website, as this contains comprehensive information on the Offshore Training Scheme.

There are multiple guides, FAQs and other information available on the schemes offered by The Nautical Institute via the *DP Help Page* tab on its accreditation and certification website <u>www.nialexisplatform.org</u>. To avoid confusion, please ensure you are reading the information specific to the scheme you are undertaking.

### Declaration

This Logbook Guide supersedes any previous versions for the New Offshore Scheme and applies to all applicants who have not yet been issued with a DP certificate. This also applies to any applicant who is upgrading their Limited certificate to an Unlimited/Full DP certificate.

### **Four Year Validity Period**

In order to avoid deterioration of your skills during the training period, all elements of the DP training scheme must be completed within 4 years. The 4 year rule applies for those who enter into the scheme from January 2015.

When applying for the certificate and submitting documents to the NI, ALL components of the programme (shore-based courses, DP sea time, task sections, Statement of Suitability form and other elements) must have been completed within the previous 4 years. If any of the training phases fall outside of the 4 year validity period, you will be required to repeat the expired training phase.

The four year validity period is calculated by the date your completed application documents are received by The Nautical Institute at our premises in London, after you have firstly applied online as described below.

### **DP Classed Vessels**

All DP sea time requirements mentioned in this guide refers to DP time on board vessels officially certified with a DP notation by classification societies in which you performed as a trainee DPO, unless specified otherwise.

Unclassed vessel: means those with a DP capability but not classified or certified by a classification society. The Nautical Institute also considers DP class zero vessels under this definition.

### **Restricted to Unclassed DP Certificate**

This type of certificate will be issued if you have accumulated all of your DP sea time on board unclassed DP vessels matching the definition above. Further details can be found in the document <u>DP</u> <u>Accreditation and Certification scheme</u>, which can be found via the DP Help Page on the Alexis Platform website.

### **DP Sea Time Day**

One DP sea time day can be counted if you, as the trainee DPO, are involved with Active or Passive DP training for a minimum of two (2) hours per day claimed. A maximum of 25% DP sea time days can be Passive time, but 75% of the total DP sea time claimed must be done in Active mode. Passive mode can only be used in the 60 day period after between the Induction and Simulator courses.

The Nautical Institute reserves the right to request additional documentation from specific countries as part of its verification process.

### **Minimum Qualification Requirement**

Please read the document "DP Accreditation and Certification scheme" available via the following link

### Introduction

<u>http://www.nialexisplatform.org/dp-help-page/offshore-dp-scheme/scheme-details-and-requirements/</u> under New Scheme Details for full details of the minimum entry requirement to start the scheme.

Prospective DPOs with alternative appropriate Marine Vocational Qualifications (MVQs) will not need an authorisation letter from The Nautical Institute to start the training scheme if their MVQ is listed on the approved list. The approved list is available on The NI Alexis Platform website via the following link <u>http://www.nialexisplatform.org/dp-help-page/offshore-dp-scheme/guidance-application/</u> under the *New Scheme* list of documents.

### Applying for a DP Certificate

### **Online Applications**

The online application system is mandatory. Any documents received without first being properly registered and applied for through the online system, will be returned via normal post without processing. The Nautical Institute does not accept any responsibility for documents lost in the post.

Please note that a credit card, debit card or PayPal account is needed to complete the online application process.

Once you have applied online and successfully completed the payment, a PDF Checklist Template will be displayed and available in your DP online account on the *My Account* home page.

Please download and print this form. Complete and sign it and include it with your original logbook and other required application documents to be sent to The Nautical Institute (mailing address on back page) for processing. If you are unable to find the document on your *My Account* home page, please contact the DP department.

Please read the new Offshore Training Scheme FAQs for a list of documents required to successfully apply for your DP certificate.

Wherever you see this symbol  $\Box$  in this document, it will provide useful tips specifically for completing your application online. Please also read our <u>New Offshore Scheme - Online Application</u> <u>Guide</u>, which contains step by step instructions on how to complete your online application.

### **Delivery of Documents**

We solely work with our contracted couriers, DHL to return documents. The cost is included in the application fee when completing the online application process.

We recommend that you send your logbook to us by courier/special delivery to avoid loss by standard post. The Nautical Institute assumes no responsibility for the loss/damage of logbooks/documents while in transit.

We also recommend that you make and keep a photocopy of your logbook before sending it to us.

Please visit our website for the current fees which are applicable to all applications. <u>http://www.nialexisplatform.org/certification/dynamic-positioning/fees-application/</u> (UK and Europe are subject to an additional charge on the courier fee due to VAT, which is beyond The Nautical Institute's control.)

### **Replacement Documents**

Please note that in the event of loss, the issuance of replacement documents incur charges that can be found in the 'DP Credit Card Form' on our website <a href="http://www.nialexisplatform.org/dp-help-page/offshore-dp-scheme/forms-documents/">http://www.nialexisplatform.org/dp-help-page/offshore-dp-scheme/forms-documents/</a> (UK and Europe are subject to an additional charge on the courier fee due to VAT, which is beyond The Nautical Institute's control.) To order replacement documents, please print and complete the duplicate document and credit card forms, which are available on our website.



### **Personal Details**



### **Change of Personal Details**



### Phase A—DP Induction Course

This page will be completed by the centre instructor once you complete your Induction course (Phase A).	Phase A: DP Induction Course 23	This is the same number that will appear on the
<ul> <li>Please check it has been signed, dated, stamped and that the certificate number has been added. Contact the relevant training centre if any of the items have not been completed or are incorrect.</li> <li>This course is only valid within four years of receipt of your completed application documents by The Nautical Institute.</li> <li>The four year restriction on courses does not apply when applying for an upgrade from a Limited certificate.</li> <li>Please note: The four year validity restriction is based on 48 months and not a calendar year. (e.g. If you attended the Induction course on 15th February 2015, The Nautical Institute will have to receive your completed application before 15 February 2019).</li> </ul>	Example to the entries are fully completed         Prase A DP Induction Course         Ifor those being re-introduced to the subject!         Centre       MARINE BLUE CENTRE         Date Completed       04/01/2015         Inereby certify that the holder of this logbook hos satisfactority completed the DP Induction Course and has passed the examination         Signed       HENRY SAUCE         Print Name       HENRY SAUCE         Induction Course the applying to the certificate. All components of the programme must have been completed within the previous 4 yeas         Phase A DP Induction Course repeated (after 4 yeas)         Induction Course and has passed the examination         Induction Course and has passed the examination         Induction Course to the subject!         Contre       Course certificate No.         Induction Course and has passed the examination         Induction Course and has passed the examination         Induction Course to this subject!         Centre       Course certificate No.         Induction Course and has passed the examination         Signed       Course certificate No.         Induction course and has passed the examination         Signed       Course certificate No.         Induction course and has passed the examination         Signed       Course certificate No.	<ul> <li>course certificate issued to you by the training centre.</li> <li>This number must be completed by the training centre.</li> <li>Repeating the Induction course</li> <li>You will be required to repeat the Induction course if you have not yet been issued with a Limited or Unlimited DP Offshore certificate and;</li> <li>it is older than four years (48 months) or;</li> <li>the course has not yet reached its four year expiry limit but you are unable to apply to The Nautical Institute for us to receive your application documents before the expiry date has been reached due to special circumstances.</li> <li>You will also need to repeat your 60 days DP sea time in Phase B and tasks if they have or will expire as described above.</li> <li>When you repeat the Induction course the training centre will not provide you with a new logbook, but instead the details of the repeated course will be added to the section</li> </ul>
		at the bottom of this page. Please check that the centre has signed, dated and stamped the course.

### Phase B - DP Sea Time Records

#### 60 days DP sea time records

This is where you record your DP sea time gained <u>after</u> successfully completing the Induction course. There is also an example of how to complete your DP sea time record in your logbook in *"How to complete this logbook."* 

A new page must be used for <u>each</u> separate trip.

#### Ship details

The first table on the sea time record page is to record the ship details and DP equipment on board. All details must be fully and correctly completed.

#### **Trainee details**

This must include both your DP and non DP rank. Also the country you and the vessel were located in at the time the DP sea time was completed

#### **Insufficient space**

Each page has enough space for 10 DP sea time entries. If you complete more DP days on a trip than the page allows, please continue on a separate page and write *'continued'* at the top of the page. Please note that all the details at the top of the form must be completed for the continuation page and the bottom of <u>each page must also be completed and signed</u> by the Master of the vessel.

### **Correcting errors**

The use of correction fluid is not permitted. If a mistake is made recording DP sea time entries, the Master must cross out the line containing the incorrect entry and the correct data entered on the line below as in example 1. Errors found after additional sea time entries have been made below the incorrect one can also be corrected as in example 1 but in this case the correct data needs to be added in the next available space below. Entries amended with correction fluid or overwritten will not be counted towards the time required to qualify for a DP Offshore certificate.

	15/02/15	4.	Þ	ALL	
Example	17/02/17	1		710	r the star
	14/02/15	4	P	Att	A

#### 24 Phase B: DP sea time records

#### Phase B 60 days DP sea time records



Note to Master: uncompleted DP sea time and date fields should be crossed out. DP entries cannot be block signed, completed or stamped. DP sea time date entries without the Master's signature or initials will not be counted or validated. Dates shall be in dd/mm/yyyy format. Cadets or STCW officer training should be noted in the 'rank' cell. Activity codes as per page 22.

### Master's details

The Master must only complete this section once all of the DP sea time for the trip has been completed.

#### Active and Passive DP sea time

A maximum of 25% DP sea time days can be Passive time, but 75% of the total DP sea time claimed must be done in Active mode.

Only Passive mode time completed in Phase B can be counted towards the total DP sea time required for a DP Offshore certificate. All DP sea time within Phase D must be Active.

#### Period on board

This is where the 'Start' and 'End' dates of your **trip** must be entered.

DP sea time dates entered outside of the *From* and *To* dates will not be counted. Entries without start and end dates will not be counted towards your application.

#### DP sea time table

This table is to enter your actual days on <u>DP only</u>. Each day on DP must be entered individually, using a separate line for each day as shown. DP time <u>cannot</u> be entered in blocked date ranges (eg. 17/01/15-20/01/15. Dates written in this format will not be counted even if each of those days were on DP.

DP sea time entries without the Master's signature will not be counted towards the time required to gain a DP Offshore certificate, upgrade or revalidate.

Unused spaces should be crossed out by the Master.

### Excess DP sea time taken before the Simulator course

DP sea time gained in excess of the required 60 days can be counted towards the total 120 days required. However, you must complete a minimum of 30 DP sea time days after the Simulator course.

#### Note to Trainee DPOs

It is advised that you fully check all of the entries on the page are correct while both you and the Master are still on board the vessel so that any errors/omissions can be easily rectified.

### **Phase B - Task Section**



### **Phase B - Task Section**



### **Phase B - Task Section**



### Phase B - DP Simulator Course

This page will be completed by the training centre instructor once you complete your Simulator course (Phase C).

You can only advance onto the Simulator course once you have completed all of the required DP sea time and tasks within Phase B.

Please check it has been signed, dated, stamped and that the certificate number has been added. Contact the relevant training centre if any of the items have not been completed or are incorrect.

This course is only valid within four years of receipt of your completed application documents by The Nautical Institute.

The four year restriction on courses does not apply when applying for an upgrade from a Limited certificate.

Please note: The four year validity restriction is based on 48 months and not a calendar year. (e.g. If you attended the Simulator course on 15th February 2015, The Nautical Institute will have to receive your completed application before 15 February 2019).

Phase C DP Simulator Course	
Centre MARINE BLUE CENTRE	
Date Completed	
I hereby certify that the holder of this logbook has satisfactorily completed the DP Simulator Course and has passed the examination	
Signed Bance	
Print Name HENRY SAUCE	
Training Centre stamp:	
SIMULATOR COURSE: When applying for the pertilinate. ALL components of the programme must have been completed within the previous Avgears.	
been completed within the previous wears. Phase C DP-Simulator Course repeated (after 4 years or for	
been completed within the previous wears.	
been completed within the previous wears. Phase C DP-Simulator Course repeated (after 4 years or for	
Phase C DP Simulator Course repeated (after 4 years or for conversion of DP certificates)	
Phase C DP Simulator Course repeated (after 4 years or for conversion of DP certificates)	L
been completed within the perious wears.         Phase C       DP Simulator Course repeated (after 4 years or for conversion of DP certificates)         Centre	L
Phase C DP Simulator Course repeated (after 4 years or for conversion of DP certificates) Centre Date Completed I hereby certify that the holder of this logbook has satisfactorily completed the DP Simulator Course and has passed the examination	Ĺ
Phase C DP Simulator Course repeated (after 4 years or for conversion of DP certificates) Centre Date Completed Course certificate No. I hereby certify that the holder of this logbook has satisfactorily completed the DP Simulator Course and has passed the examination Signed	_

#### **Repeating the Simulator course**

You will be required to repeat the Simulator course if you have not yet been issued with a Limited or Unlimited DP Offshore certificate and;

- 1. it is older than four years (48 months) or;
- the course has not yet reached its four year expiry limit but you are unable to apply to The Nautical Institute for us to receive your application documents before the expiry date has been reached.

When you repeat the Simulator course the training centre will not provide you with a new logbook, but instead the details of the repeated course will be added to the section at the bottom of this page. Please check that the training centre has signed, dated and stamped the course.

### Sea Time Reduction Course

### Sea Time Reduction Course (STR)

This is not a mandatory course but it enables you to reduce the amount of practical DP sea time needed to obtain a DP Offshore certificate by 30 days. It can be taken directly after the Simulator course without any need for practical DP sea time in between.

#### **Restrictions**:

- Only one course will be counted towards your total required DP sea time needed to obtain a DP Offshore certificate.
- Cannot be taken before the Simulator course.
- Cannot reduce the minimum 60 days DP2/3 DP sea time requirement to obtain an Unlimited DP Offshore certificate.
- Cannot be used to upgrade a Limited DP certificate to an Unlimited.
- Cannot replace the minimum of 30 days DP sea time required before your Statement of Suitability (Phase E can be signed off by the Master before sending your documents to The Nautical Institute to apply for your certificate.

Full details of the sea time reduction course are contained in the document *DP Accreditation and Certification Scheme*, available on the NI Alexis Platform website, in the Offshore section of the DP Help Page. www.nialexisplatform.org.

Sea Time Reduction Course 125	If you choose to take a sea time reduction course, your initial course details will be added here.
Sea Time Reduction Course (optional) Centre Date Completed Course certificate No. I hereby certify that the holder of this logbook has satisfactority completed the Sea Time Reduction Course Signed Print Name Training Centre stamp:	
Sea Time Reduction Source repeated (after 4 years) Centre Date Completed Course certificate No. I hereby certify that the volder of this logbook has satisfactorily completed the Sea Time Reduction Course Signed Print Nanse Training Centre stamp	Repeating the Sea Time Reduction Course Repeated STR course details will be entered here by the training centre.

### Training Centre Use Only Page



### Phase D - DP Sea Time Records

#### 60 days DP sea time records

This is where you record your DP sea time gained <u>after</u> successful completing the Simulator course. There is also an example of how to complete your DP sea time record in your logbook in *"How to complete this logbook."* 

A new page must be used for <u>each</u> separate trip.

### Ship details

The first table on the sea time record page is to record the ship details and DP equipment on board. All details must be fully and correctly completed.

### **Trainee details**

This must include both your DP and non DP rank. Also the country you and the vessel were located in at the time the DP sea time was completed.

### Insufficient space

Each page has enough space for 10 DP sea time entries. If you complete more DP days on a trip than the page allows, please continue on a separate page and write *'continued'* at the top of the page. Please note that all the details at the top of the form must be completed for the continuation page and the bottom of each page must also be completed and signed by the Master of the vessel.

### **Correcting Errors**

The use of correction fluid is not permitted. If a mistake is made recording DP sea time entries. The Master must cross out the line containing the incorrect entry and the correct data entered on the line below as in example 1. Errors found after additional sea time entries have been made below the incorrect one can also be corrected as in example 1 but in this case the correct data needs to be added in the next available space below. Entries amended with correction fluid or overwritten will not be

counted towards the time required to qualify for a DP Offshore

certificate.	15/12/15	4.	Þ	ALL	
Example 1	12/02/12	7		~~~	r-defa/
	14/02/15	4	P	Att	CA.

Phase D: DP sea time records 127

### Phase D 60 days DP sea time records

·							
Ship's stamp		IMO number	DP equip class	DP system make and model			
Nautiwave II 977 3540 100 1234568	12	34568	DP2	2 KONGSBERG SDP21			
Train	ee dete	ails	Period onboard (dates)				
Rank:		Location:	From:	To:			
Trainee DP0/2nd 0	fficer	Singapore	18/06/	15 01/07/15			
	DP seq time						
DP Sea Time Day (one day per entry)		ber of Active of Passive	Activity Code	Master's Initial			

	(one day per entry)	Hours	Passive	Code	Master's Initial	
	20/06/15	5	$\langle \mathcal{A} \rangle$	AH	Q	
	20/06/15 21/06/15	2	A	AH		li.
	22/06/15	3	A	AH	$\overline{\mathcal{Q}}$	_i.
	22/06/15 24/06/15	1 /	A	AH		ļ
	25/06/15	2	A	AH	$\mathcal{Q}$	
	28/06/15	6	A	AH	$\sim$	T
	29/06/15	8	A	AH		
	30/06/15	3	) (P) -	<u>AH</u>		
	01/07/15	4	Â	AH		i
						4
l	Total 9	Total 41				
Í	Master's full name	RAYMOND	RANT			Ĩ
	Master's signoîure	IR	b			
	Master's DP cert. no		Maste	r's CoC no.	0000000000	٦į

Note to Master: uncompleted DP sea time and date fields should be crossed out. DP entries cannot be block signed, completed or stamped. DP sea time date entries without the Master's signature or initials will not be counted or validated. Dates shall be in dd/mm/yyyy format. Cadets or STCW officer training should be noted in the 'rank' cell. Activity codes as per page 22.

### Master's details

The Master must only complete this section once all of the DP sea time for the trip has been completed.

### Active and Passive DP sea time

All DP sea time recorded within Phase D must be Active. For details on Passive mode please see Phase B (page 7).

### Period on board

This is where the 'Start' and 'End' dates of your **trip** must be entered.

DP sea time dates entered outside of the *From* and *To* dates will not be counted. Entries without start and end dates will not be counted towards your application.

### DP sea time table

This table is to enter your actual days on <u>DP only</u>. Each day on DP must be entered individually, using a separate line for each day as shown. DP time <u>cannot</u> be entered in blocked date ranges (eg. 17/01/15—20/01/15. Dates written in this format will not be counted even if each of those days were on DP.

DP sea time entries without the Master's signature will not be counted towards the time required to gain a DP Offshore certificate, upgrade or revalidate.

Passive sea time completed after the Simulator course cannot be counted.

Unused spaces should be crossed out by the Master.

Your total number of days on DP and number of hours need to be written in these boxes.

### Note to Trainee DPOs

It is advised that you fully check all of the entries on the page are correct while both you and the Master are still on board the vessel so that any errors/omissions can be easily rectified.

### **Phase E - Statement of Suitability**

**The Statement of Suitability** is very important and one of the main reasons why applications for DP certificates are rejected due to forms being incorrectly filled in or not completed at all.

The Statement of Suitability must be signed off and stamped by the Master of the <u>last</u> vessel recorded in your logbook before applying to The Nautical Institute for a DP Offshore certificate. You must also provide a confirmation letter that verifies this DP entry.

Please ensure that the form is only completed by the Master <u>after</u> you have taken all of the courses and acquired ALL of the DP sea time required to qualify for the type of DP Offshore certificate you wish to obtain. Only DP sea time dated on or before the date of your Statement of Suitability can be used towards your required time needed for a DP Offshore certificate. If you wish to include additional DP sea time in your application that is dated after your Statement of Suitability you will need to have a new form completed that complies with the requirements.

#### **Trainee DPO Details**

Your signature, current CoC number and the country the CoC was issued in must be completed here. Please ensure that your signature here matches the one on your PDF and CoC.

### Applying for an Unlimited DP Offshore Certificate

If you wish to obtain an Unlimited DP Offshore certificate, you must fulfil the following requirements:

• A minimum of 120 days DP sea time of which at least 60 DP days must be completed on board a DP2 or 3 class vessel. The last 30 days of the total DP sea time required, must be completed on board a DP2 or 3 vessel in active mode; and the statement of suitability must be signed off and stamped by the Master of this last DP2/3 vessel.



### **Phase E - Statement of Suitability**

#### Upgrading-60 days DP2/3 time **Upgrade Applications** Phase E: Statement of Suitability upgrade form 193 This page is for upgrading from a Limited DP Offshore If you are applying to upgrade your Limited DP certificate, certificate to an Unlimited. Please see the instructions on please ensure this Statement of Suitability Upgrade form is Statement of Suitability Upgrading form from a Phase E the previous page on how to complete the Statement of completed fully and that it bears a DP2 or 3 vessel stamp. limited to an unlimited certificate Suitability correctly. For the full requirements on how to upgrade your Limited Suitability of officer to undertake full watch-keeping responsibility on board a DP vessel certificate to a Full/Unlimited, please visit the DP Help Page If you have not yet been issued with a DP certificate of any ⇒ Guidance & Application via The Nautical Institute's verify that I, Captain kind, the Statement of Suitability on page 192 must be used. accreditation and certification website at (Trainee DP Operator's name) .. www.nialexisplatform.org for full requirements on how to has completed the DP Operator's logbook and DP tasks to my satisfaction upgrade your Limited certificate to a Full. and has demonstrated in my opinion that he/she is capable to undertake DP watchkeeping duties in particular: i. Possesses an adequate knowledge of D ii. Knows the underlying principles of DP; iii. Can take control of the DP system in normal operational conditions; iv. Understands what to do in on emergency; v. Understands the operational procedures on board and can safely operate the vessel's DP system. If the Master signing the Statement of Suitability does not hold vi. Has Bridge team work behaviour and communication skills required for safe DP operations. a valid DP certificate, the form must be countersigned by a If the Master is not a DPO, the senior DRO should countersign certified DPO. The DPO should write his certificate number under his name. Master's signature Date Master's CoC no./DP-certificate no. .Country of issue Countersigned by Senier DPO Senior DPO's DP certificate r Date Ship's stamp Vessel stamp Traibee D Operator utiwav To upgrade your Limited DP certificate to a Unlimited, you must GRT 3540 CoC no obtain your required DP sea time on board a DP2 or 3 vessel Country of and your Statement of Suitability upgrade form must be signed off on the same vessel to qualify for an Unlimited certificate. The information contained here is that on which a certificate to practice will be issued and The Nautical Institute takes a serious view of false information being submitted, or false endorsement by Competent Officer/Master. The penalty for doing so can lead to suspension or cancellation of a DP certificate for up to five years. The Nautical Institute reserves the right to take further action if applicable. Verification may be sought on any information contained in this document. On completion of the loabook and satisfactory completion of the relevant courses, a DP Operator's Offshore certificate will be issued by The Nautical Institute. The operator should forward the loabook to: The DP Department, The Nautical Institute, 202 Lambeth Road, London, SE1 7LQ, UK

### **DP Sea time confirmation letter**

#### Requirements

In order to further improve the integrity of the application process and to prevent cases of fraud, The Nautical Institute requires additional documentation, in the form of a testimonial letter from shipping companies, to be submitted with every application for all DP sea time.

This letter must match the following criteria:

- Contain information based upon the vessel deck logs. DP logs and internal DP information. The company should only provide letters when they can confirm the actual DP time completed and not only time on board the yessel. The confirmation letter is a secondary check on the time completed and if required, should be able to provide evidence to The Nautical Institute to prove that the time was on DP. Please note that confirmation letters cannot be based upon the DP information in the individual's logbook only. The Nautical Institute reserves the right to request copies of the information used to verify the DP days and prepare the confirmation letter before a certificate is issued.
- Be written by the shipping company on original company headed paper, which must also include the company contact details; a direct email address for the signatory, should be provided as it enables us to contact them easily if further verification is required.
- Company logos must be of a high resolution and appear clear. Letters received with logos that appear pixelated and/or blurry will not be accepted by The Nautical Institute;
- Contain the company's official stamp or seal:
- Signed and stamped by the Operations Manager, Marine Superintendent or other position directly involved with the operations of the vessel, whose full name and job title must also appear on the letter under their signature. (Letters signed by Masters, Agency staff and HR personnel are not acceptable). Signatures and stamps must be ink originals, not digital scans;
- Dated (the letter should be written and therefore dated, only once the DPO has achieved the necessary experience):
- State that the applicant has trained/worked as a DPO on board the vessel(s) listed for the time listed;
- The following information must be included for each sea time entry: Vessel name, GRT, IMO number, DP class, trip dates (from and to), total days on DP. DPO's rank and confirm the individual dates on DP.
- Confirm the total time the applicant has performed as a DP operator on board the vessel(s). This must also include the seagoing familiarisation period (Section B of the Old Offshore scheme and Phase B of the New Offshore scheme);
- Limited DPO certificate holders upgrading to Unlimited certificates only need to provide confirmation of DP watchkeeping time gained after their Limited certificates were issued:
- Sea time experience, not covered by a letter will not be considered for the DP application unless the candidate can prove extenuating reasons.

When the requested confirmation letter has been obtained, please include the original with your application documents and send them by courier to The Nautical Institute; (photocopies and emailed scans of the letter cannot be accepted).

Note that this letter does not replace the entries, signatures and stamps in the logbook, which needs to be sent along with this document to The Nautical Institute.

Applications with confirmation letters not meeting with the above requirements will be subject to delay and possible rejection.

Samples of the confirmation letters can be found on our website along with editable Word versions templates.

20 December 2015 DP Department The Nautical Institute 202 Lambeth Road LONDON SE1 7/LQ UK	2			SHIPP Blogginton St			letters are required by The Nautical Institute to enable us to cross-check the DP sea time recorded and signed off by the Master in your logbook against the company's records on whose vessel(s) you obtained the DP sea time.
Dear Sir/Madam							Confirmation letters are
DP Sea time Confirmati	on			$\land$			another main reason why
We hereby certify that J Second Officer/Trainee We have checked his/h minimum requirements 'Dates on DP', the emp	DP Operator of er DP sea time of the DP Op loyee named	on board e against perator's T in this let	our vessels. our records fraining and tter has per	s and verify this d Certification of formed as a N	at the entries Scheme; that	s belov t for ea inimum	applications are rejected due to them not meeting the guidelines set out by The Nautical Institute.
day. The sea time below	v has also beer	n broken		~ /	in line with y	our rec	There is a DP sea time
Vessel Name GRT		D/P Class	) From	Dates To	Total Days on DP	Rank	confirmation letter template
Nautiwave I 3485	1234567		/01/2/015	27/02/2015	7	2/Offi	available for use via the DP
Dates on DP 07/01/15	, 17/01/1/5, 20/	01/15, 29,	/01/15, 10/0	2/15, 14/02/15,	15/02/15		Help Page on The Nautical
Nautiwave II 3540	1234668	2 10	1/03/2015	27/03/2015	17	2/Offi	Institute's accreditation and
Dates on DP 09//03/2	02/03/15, 03/ 015, 11/03/201 115, 20/03/2015	5 12/03/5	/03/15, 05/0 2015, 25/03/	3/2015, 06/03/2 2015, 16/03/20	015, 07/03/20 15, 17/03/201	015, 08/ 5, 18/0	certification website
Nautiwave I 3485	1234567		) \$/03/2015	20/04/2015	19	2/Offi	www.nialexisplatform.org for
Q3/04/15	,04//04/15,06	/04/15/ 0	8/04/15,09/	28/04/2015 04/15, 10/04/15 4/15, 21/04/15,	, 11/04/15, 12	2/04/15	your company's convenience as it contains all of the
25/04/15		7	- 1 - 5, - 5, -	4-0,,0-4-0,		- 1 1	required wording and data
Nautiwave II (3540	1234668	~	0/06/2015	01/07/2015	0	2/Offi	
				6/15, 25/06/15,	26/06/15, 28/		columns needed to enable us
This letter is provided in	$\overline{\nabla}$						to verify the information recorded in your logbook
Yours faithfully	) ār		0				and confirm that you have met the DP sea time requirements.
Operations Manager			9				

ΠP

sea time confirmation

For further information, contact: DP Department, The Nautical Institute, 202 Lambeth Road, LONDON SE1 7LQ, UK Tel +44(0)20 7928 1351 Fax +44(0)20 7401 2817 Email dp@nautinst.org Website www.nialexisplatform.org