

There is a requirement in the Royal Marines for Landing Craft rates for service in :-

Commando Training Flotilla  
 Certain Special Boat Sections  
 RN Beach Control Parties  
 Landing Craft Wing, Amphibious School RM  
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 and, on mobilisation, in operational Landing Craft Flotillas.

2. In this section of the General Duty Branch there are three specialist rates. The duty of each rate is :-

- (a) LH 3 (i) Assistant Coxswain of a Minor Landing Craft and Dory Helmsman.
- (b) LH 2 (i) Coxswain of a Minor Landing Craft.  
 (ii) In charge of a section of a Beach Control Party.  
 (iii) Instructor in either Minor Landing Craft or Beach Control Duties.
- (c) LH 1 (i) Sub-divisional leader of Minor Landing Craft.  
 (ii) In charge of a Watch of a Beach Control Party.  
 (iii) Instructor in both Minor Landing Craft and Beach Control Duties.

3. On mobilisation, it will be the special duty of Landing Craft rates to work with Commando Units and a high degree of skill will be expected in both night and day landings on difficult coastlines in all weather.

4. Qualifying course for each rate are carried out at Amphibious School RM and in the Commando Training Flotilla as promulgated in RMROS.

5. Landing Craft courses include the following subjects :-

Seamanship	Pilotage
Signals (Semaphore & Morse)	Craft Handling
Engineering	Beach Control
Swimming & Life Saving	Firefighting
Craft repairs	Combined Operations background

NOTE : This list is not exhaustive.

6. Landing Craft qualifications will be recorded on Drill History Sheets and a list of ranks holding LH 1 and LH 2 rates will be maintained at PRORM.

7. This order will be incorporated in the revised edition of RMRI, which will be published shortly. On publication of RMRI this order will become extinct automatically.

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