



Administration de pilotage des Laurentides  
Laurentian Pilotage Authority

October 10, 2023

## NOTICE – Written Test of General Knowledge

**\*\*UPDATE\*\***

In prevision of future apprentice pilots recruitments, the Laurentian Pilotage Authority is offering interested candidates the possibility of taking the written test of general knowledge on:

**Wednesday, September 13, 2023, Quebec City**

**Thursday, October 5, 2023, Montréal**

**Thursday, November 2, 2023, Trois-Rivières**

**Tuesday, January 16, 2024, Montréal**

The written test of general knowledge is one of the eligibility requirements for an apprentice pilot. Interested candidates must provide:

1. A certified copy of a document proving that the candidate is a Canadian citizen or permanent resident as required by the *Pilotage Act* (birth certificate or any other official document indicating the date and place of birth).
2. A certified copy of a certificate of competency issued pursuant to the 2001 *Canada Shipping Act*.

The test is administered in the presence of an examination board. It lasts three hours and comprises questions pertaining to general knowledge of near-coastal navigation, including knowledge of ship handling, navigational instruments, use of marine charts, meteorology, navigation in ice on the St. Lawrence River and the calculation of tides. One can find the syllabus in the “Careers Becoming a pilot” section of the Authority’s website ([http://www.pilotagestlaurent.gc.ca/Entrance\\_Examination\\_e.asp](http://www.pilotagestlaurent.gc.ca/Entrance_Examination_e.asp).) The passing grade is 70%.

Interested candidates who do not currently meet all of the eligibility requirements specified in Section 23.29 of the *General Pilotage Regulations* (<https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2000-132/page-6.html#h-1349850>) are entitled to take the written test of general knowledge with a view to recruitment in a later year.

It should be noted that the candidate who fails this test more than three times is no longer eligible to take it, as specified in Section 23.33(1) of the *General Pilotage Regulations* (<https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2000-132/page-7.html#h-1349881>).

Following the test, it is the candidate's responsibility to monitor recruitment notices published by the Laurentian Pilotage Authority and posted on its website at [http://www.pilotagestlaurent.gc.ca/homePage\\_f.asp](http://www.pilotagestlaurent.gc.ca/homePage_f.asp). These notices indicate the eligibility requirements and the deadline for the submission of applications.

Interested candidates should complete the attached registration form and return it, together with the required documents, by email or mail no later than 5 working days prior to the scheduled test.

For any additional information, please contact:

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The Act and Regulations:  
<http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/PDF/P-14.pdf>  
<http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/PDF/SOR-2000-132.pdf>



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**Registration Form for the General Knowledge**  
**Written Test**

Last name :	First name :
Address :	
City :	Postal code :
Téléphone :	Email :

Date du test	Lieu	
Wednesday, September 13, 2023	Québec	
Thursday, October 5, 2023	Montréal	
Thursday, November 2, 2023	Trois-Rivières	
Tuesday, January 9, 2024	Montréal	

Required documents	
A certified copy of a document proving Canadian citizenship or permanent residence.	
A certified copy of a certificate of competency issued pursuant to the 2001 Canada Shipping Act.	

Send registration form and required documents by mail or email to the following address:

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