

S/N	General Observations	Exam	Remarks/Suggestions
1	Candidates wearing flip-flops	General	Instructors to brief/include in course materials
2	Candidates wearing singlets	General	Instructors to brief/include in course materials
3	Forgot to bring identification with photos - passport, IC etc. Work pass w/o photo not acceptable	General	Instructors to brief/include in course materials
4	Turning-up at unscheduled date/time	General	Instructors to brief/include in course materials
5	Requesting to change test dates without justifications/valid reasons (To produce MC/Mob's Letter)	General	To highlight in course materials.
6	Late for more than 15 mins	General	Instructors to emphasise to trainees.
7	Candidates were told by some centres not necessary to bring medical certificate for theory test.	Theory	To brief/remind candidates.
8	Attempting to cheat using slips of paper in pockets, wallet, under the caps etc	Theory	Subject to be barred - no reported cases
9	Attempt to cheat Mandarin examination with ready-made MCQ answers in sequence	Theory	Subject to be barred - no reported cases
10	Do not know about the Pleasure Craft Security Code	Theory	To emphasise in lesson.
11	Unable to identify navigational lights - sector of lights	Theory	To emphasise in lesson.
12	Unable to determine give way & stand on vessel in head-on, crossing, overtaking situations	Theory/Oral	To emphasise in lesson.
13	Inability to start engine/did not check kill-switch secured in position	Practical	Instructor to demonstrate
14	Inability to explain the use/function of an equipment such as the HARTS	Practical	To emphasise in lesson.
15	Inability to indicate the expiry duration of equipment such as handflares	Practical	Instructors to brief/demonstrate
16	Releasing mooring ropes before starting boat's engine	Practical	Instructors to brief/demonstrate
17	Releasing mooring ropes - no coordination between candidate & assistant	Practical	Instructors to brief.
18	Poor reverse steering control	Practical	Instructors to brief/demonstrate
19	Performing a turn in a narrow channel	Practical	Instructors to brief.
20	Unberthing boat by making sharp alteration of course - risk of hitting pontoon with transom	Practical	Instructors to brief/demonstrate
21	Do not apply 'keep to starboard' rule of narrow channel	Practical	Instructors to brief.
22	Do not apply the avoiding action during a 'head-on' situation especially in the narrow channel	Practical	To emphasise in lesson.
23	Inability to put the gear in neutral (continuously pressing the red 'clutch' button) - MOB/Berthing	Practical	Instructors to brief/demonstrate
24	Unable to determine wind direction & strength (MOB & Berthing)	Practical	Instructors to brief.
25	Dangerous MOB technique - turning when boat is very close, hitting buoy with boat's flare	Practical	Instructors to brief/demonstrate
26	Stopping too early when approaching MOB resulting in boat drifting and hit 'MOB' with the bow	Practical	Instructors to brief/demonstrate
27	Applying 'reverse' action resulting over compensation - buoy beyond reach	Practical	Instructors to brief/demonstrate
28	Unable to berth at the intended position - over berthing/under berthing	Practical	Instructors to brief/demonstrate
29	Candidate prefers to use fendering off method when berthing	Practical	Instructors to brief/demonstrate
30	Hand-stopping' boat during berthing	Practical	Instructors to brief/demonstrate
31	Inability to secure boat by proper use of knots	Practical	Instructors to brief/demonstrate
32	Waiting for instructions to secure moorings resulting boat drifted away from berth	Practical	Instructors to brief/demonstrate
33	Candidates were not aware of one-to-one oral exam session	Oral	To emphasise in lesson.
34	Do not know prominent landmarks e.g. lighthouses	Oral	To emphasise in lesson.
35	Unsure about the buoyage system	Oral	To emphasise in lesson.
36	Inability to explain important sound signals e.g. where or when to use them	Oral	To emphasise in lesson.
37	Inability to explain methods of determining risk of collision	Oral	To emphasise in lesson.
38	Inability to identify navigational aids at night	Oral	To emphasise in lesson.