

# BRANDON MARTLAND

I am an experienced Mate with a strong commitment to maritime excellence. My career includes time spent on search and rescue operations in the English Channel. This challenging role honed my skills in navigation, vessel maintenance, and safety protocols. I have a proven track record of ensuring the safe and efficient operation of vessels at sea, bringing practical expertise and a keen eye for detail to every task.

## WORK HISTORY

### MATE/ACTING SKIPPER

SEACAT SERVICES | 24 METERS,  
MERCHANT SHIP

JAN 2024 - CURRENT

In my current role, I handle maritime operations with precision and dedication. I keep detailed trip records and navigation logs, enforce strict safety protocols during cargo handling, and ensure everything runs smoothly and efficiently. Navigating through challenging waters, supervising cargo operations, and overseeing vessel maintenance are part of my daily duties. My collaboration with the UK Border Force on migrant operations and search and rescue missions has enhanced my expertise in emergency response and crisis management.

### DECKHAND

SEACAT SERVICES | 24 METERS,  
MERCHANT SHIP

AUG 2022 - JAN 2024

As a Deckhand, I ensured the smooth operation of maritime activities through diligent boat maintenance, line handling, and the operation of life-saving equipment. My responsibilities included efficiently mooring boats, handling cargo with care, and conducting regular maintenance to uphold vessel integrity. I confidently operated life-saving equipment and facilitated passenger transfers with a focus on safety. Additionally, my work in search and rescue efforts in the English Channel reinforced my commitment to maritime safety and welfare.

## CERTIFICATIONS

- RYA Yacht Master Offshore (commercially endorsed)
- STCW (Standards of Training, Certification, and Watchkeeping for Seafarers)
- ENG1 (Marine Medical Certificate)
- Proficiency in Security Awareness
- RYA Seamanship (Royal Yachting Association)
- RYA Powerboat Level 2
- RYA Personal Watercraft (PWC)
- RYA VHF Radio
- AEC Level 1 (Approved Engine Course)
- Slinger Banksman (Certification for cargo handling)
- AED Level 2 (Automated External Defibrillator)
- Oxygen Provider Level 2
- IMDG (International Maritime Dangerous Goods) General Awareness

## HOBBIES AND INTEREST

- Growing up on Lake Windermere, I immersed myself in water sports and boat handling from an early age. Sailing, kneeboarding, and kayaking became second nature as I navigated its waters, honing my skills and developing a deep appreciation for the aquatic environment. This upbringing instilled in me a lasting passion for marine activities and a keen understanding of the complexities of boat handling.



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## SKILLS

- **Maritime Operations Management:** Overseeing vessel operations with precision.
- **Record Keeping:** Maintaining detailed trip records and navigation logs.
- **Safety Protocols:** Enforcing safety measures during cargo handling.
- **Navigation:** Guiding vessels through challenging waters.
- **Cargo Handling Supervision:** Managing loading and unloading processes.
- **Maintenance Oversight:** Supervising vessel maintenance and repairs.
- **Emergency Response:** Collaborating with the UK Border Force on search and rescue missions.
- **Crisis Management:** Handling emergencies with skill and confidence.
- **Boat Maintenance:** Conducting regular maintenance tasks.
- **Line Handling:** Efficiently mooring boats and managing lines.
- **Life-Saving Equipment:** Operating life-saving equipment confidently.
- **Search and Rescue Support:** Assisting in search and rescue operations in the English Channel.