

ASA Coastal Navigation Examination Review

Questions & Answers



Based on Chart 1210 TR, Use the Deviation table on page 4 for all problems, Year 1985

1) Plot a course from the G "1B1" Fl G 4sec. (Lat $41^{\circ} 15.5'N$, $71^{\circ} 34.5' W$) to a point 0.5NM South (True) of the W Or "H", Fl 2 sec bell (Lat $41^{\circ} 24.7'N$, $71^{\circ} 24' W$). At 0730, you depart the green buoy "1B1" on the course just plotted, and proceed at a speed of four (4) knots.

a) What is the course?

True: _____

Magnetic: _____

Compass: _____

b) What is the position and ETA of a point 0.5 NM. South of the W Or "H" buoy?

Lat: _____

Long: _____

ETA: _____

2) Continuing along the course plotted in the previous question, at 1000,

a) Plot your DR position: Lat: _____

Long: _____

b) The following bearings are obtained with a hand-bearing compass (assume no deviation):

Point Judith Light (GP Occ (1+2)), ($41^{\circ}21.7'N$, $71^{\circ}28.9'W$): **$283^{\circ}M$**

Brenton Reef Light ($41^{\circ}25.6'N$, $71^{\circ}23.3'W$): **$012^{\circ}M$**

Onshore Tower ($41^{\circ} 24.9'N$, $71^{\circ} 27.9'W$): **$328^{\circ}M$**

What is the 1000 fix? Lat: _____

Long: _____

c) The difference between the 1000 fix and the 1000 DR was caused by a current.

What is the set and drift of the current?

Set: _____ $^{\circ}T$

Drift: _____ kt

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3) Later, from a position $41^{\circ} 22.5'N$, $71^{\circ} 06.7'W$, plot a course to pass 1.5 NM west of BW "SR" Mo(A) Whistle ($41^{\circ} 26.5'N$, $071^{\circ} 13.5'W$). Allow for a set of $230^{\circ}T$ and drift of 1.5 kt. Boat speed is five (5) knots.

a) What is the course? Magnetic: _____

b) What is the heading? Magnetic: _____

Compass: _____

c) What will be the Speed Made Good? _____

4) At 1345, from a position $41^{\circ} 15.3'N$, $071^{\circ} 20.0'W$, plot a course to "1B1" buoy ($41^{\circ} 15.5' N$, $071^{\circ} 34.5'W$). Allow for a leeway of 7° caused by a strong N wind.

a) What is the course? Magnetic: _____

b) What is the heading? Magnetic: _____

c) The Speed Made Good is five (5) knots. What is the ETA at the buoy? _____

5) Plot a course from the W Or "A" ($41^{\circ} 16.6'N$, $071^{\circ} 24'W$.) to Whale Rock buoy ($41^{\circ} 26.7'N$, $071^{\circ} 25.2'W$)

a) What is the course? Magnetic: _____

Compass: _____

From a DR position abeam of R"2" ($41^{\circ} 20'N$, $71^{\circ} 28.6'W$), plot a danger bearing to avoid the wreck east of your course line (wreck is east of W Or "E"). Use Brenton Reef Light for your bearing.

b) The danger bearing is: Magnetic: _____

c) Brenton Reef Light should bear NO MORE/NO LESS (delete one) than the danger bearing to remain safe.

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6) At 1600, on the same course established in question 5, the Point Judith Light (GP Occ (1+2)) bears 300°M . At 1620, the same light bears 270°M . Both bearings are taken with a hand-bearing compass (assume no deviation). Plot a running fix for 1620. Boat Speed is 4 knots.

a) What is your Running fix position? Lat: _____ Long: _____

b) What is the Course Made Good/Track from the W Or "A" buoy? Magnetic: _____

Assume the difference between the Course Made Good and the heading to be due to leeway (no current).

c) What is the leeway? _____

Considering leeway, plot a new course to the Whale Rock buoy.

d) What is the course? True: _____

e) What is the heading? Magnetic: _____

Compass: _____

7) You are approaching Whale Rock on a heading of 040° Per Ship's Compass (PSC). Using your ship's pelorus, you measure River Ledge C"1" bearing 060° off your port bow.

What is the bearing of C"1"? _____ $^{\circ}$ PSC

8) While sailing 0.5 nm west of Brenton Reef Light, the 2 towers on Beavertail Point (Conanicut Island) are directly in line, bearing 013° PSC. Calculate your compass deviation.

Deviation: _____

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Deviation
Table to be
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STEERING COMPASS
DEVIATION TABLE

Heading (PSC)		
BY COMPASS	DEVIATION	HEADING MAGNETIC
000°	5°W	355°
010°	5°W	005°
020°	5°W	015°
030°	5°W	025°
040°	5°W	035°
050°	4°W	046°
060°	4°W	056°
070°	3°W	067°
080°	2°W	078°
090°	1°W	089°
100°	1°E	101°
110°	4°E	114°
120°	7°E	127°
130°	9°E	139°
140°	10°E	150°
150°	10°E	160°
160°	10°E	170°
170°	11°E	181°
180°	10°E	190°
190°	9°E	199°
200°	7°E	207°
210°	5°E	215°
220°	4°E	224°
230°	2°E	232°
240°	0°	240°
250°	2°W	248°
260°	4°W	256°
270°	5°W	265°
280°	6°W	274°
290°	6°W	284°
300°	6°W	294°
310°	6°W	304°
320°	6°W	314°
330°	5°W	325°
340°	5°W	335°
350°	5°W	345°
360°	5°W	355°

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- 1) a) What is the course? True: 043°
Magnetic: 058°
Compass: 062°
- b) What is the position and ETA of a point 0.5 NM. South of the W Or "H" buoy
Lat: 41°24.2'N
Lon: 071°23.9'W
ETA: 1027
- 2) a) Plot your 10:00 DR position: Lat: 41°22.85N
Long: 71°25.6W
- b) What is the 10:00 fix position? Lat: 41°21.8'N
Lon: 071°23'W
- c) What is the set and drift of the current?
Set: 118°T
Drift: .88 (2.2nm ÷ 2.5hrs = .88 kts)
- 3) a) What is the course? Magnetic: 316°
b) What is the heading? Magnetic: 332°
Compass: 337°
c) What will be the Speed Made Good? 5.3 kt
- 4) a) What is the course? Magnetic: 286°
b) What is the heading? Magnetic: 293° (+7° leeway)
c) What is the ETA at the buoy? 1557 (11 miles in 2.2 hrs = 2h, 12m)

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- 5) a) What is the course? Magnetic: 009°
Compass: 014°
b) The danger bearing is: Magnetic: 024°
c) Brenton Reef Light should bear ~~NO MORE~~/NO LESS (delete one) the danger bearing to remain safe.
- 6) Running fix position: Lat: 41°22.35N, Long: 071°25.7W
a) What is the Course Made Good (Track) from the W Or "A" buoy?
Magnetic: 003°
b) What is the leeway? 006°
c) What is the course? True: 006° (Straight line)
d) What is the heading? Magnetic: 027° (+15°W Variation +06° leeway)
Compass: 032° (+5° Deviation)
- 7) What is the bearing of C"1"? 340° ° PSC (Per Ship's Compass)
($360° + 040° - 60° = \text{Relative bearing of } 340°$)
- 8) Deviation: 4° E
T= 002° (measured on chart)
V= 15°W
M= 017° (what the bearing "should be")
D= 4°E
C= 013° (from boat's compass, what the bearing "is")