Spain - Sailing Requirements:

To charter in Spain, there must be at least one certified skipper over 18 years old. The skipper should be competent at handling a yacht in close quarters, anchoring and mooring in varying conditions and be able to use navigation and pilotage skills to plan the day's sailing and know your position at any time. As a yacht skipper, you are required to have an official sailing license or a certificate issued by the government of state approved organization as detailed below:

Skipper is REQUIRED to have one (1) of the following:

- ICC (International Certificate of Competence), International
  Prerequisites: RYA “Day Skipper Course” or complete the ICC Assessment form to prove competence from previous experience.
- IPC (International Proficiency Certificate), America
  Prerequisites: ASA 104 or US Sailing “Bareboat Cruising Course”
- NauticEd SLC (International Sailing License and Credentials), International

OR

- UK - RYA Day Skipper practical (with or without photo)
- USA - US Sailing “Bareboat Cruising Course”, ASA “104 Bareboat Cruising Course” or above
- Germany - “Sportbootführerschein See” or above
- Belgium - Algemeen Stuurbrevet/ Brevet de conduite général
- France - LE PERMIS PLAISANCE

The Spanish authorities have identified a list of accepted sailing licenses for the following countries: Germany, Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Chile, Croatia, Finland, France, United Kingdom, Italy, Netherland, Poland, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland, Uruguay, Venezuela, Canada and Ireland.

Charter Preparation Tips

All sailing certificates must be sent to the base and received at least 2 weeks before the start of the charter. It is essential that you take your original skippers license or certificate with you in the event that the Port Authorities ask you to present it to them. If you do not have an official sailing license, by law the team at base will not be able to allow you to charter without an officially certified skipper onboard.

What if I do not have a license?

If you do not hold a recognized sailing license, we will assist you in finding an accredited program.

Please contact one of our Vacation Planners to learn more!