



Port and Ship Familiarisation course

A 3 day practical experience in
the port of Rotterdam



Objectives

Join our Port & Ship Familiarisation Course to gain basic practical knowledge and background information on the following topics:

- Marine terminology
- Ship layout, construction and operations
- Port and terminal procedures
- Transportation and storage of containerised, palletised and bulk cargoes
- Shipyard operations
- Marine and cargo surveying



Come and get an inside look into the Port of Rotterdam!

Rotterdam, one of the world's largest seaports, is famous for the millions of containers which are loaded and unloaded here every year. But the port has more to offer: e.g. large dry bulk terminals or specialist services catering towards large project cargo - from cranes and generators to mining equipment and vessel engines, all of which might need to be repaired, tested, modified or assembled before they are shipped

to their final destination. The port's landscape is filled with large terminals of hundreds of thousands square metres, which are characterised by state-of-the-art handling equipment, modern warehouses and highly skilled staff, all in accordance with strict regulations where safety and security are concerned.

The handling, operation and condition of containers, bulk and metal products,

reefer containers, perishables, dry docks and port-related matters are at the heart of this course. However, we will also give you the opportunity to take a look at special ships: be it the SS Rotterdam taking us on a trip down memory lane, when she was the flagship of the Holland America Line; or vessels which are temporarily residing at a ship repair yard before they can resume their voyage.



Programme

Container inspection / customs facilities

Customs have introduced the “container scan” system to inspect the large flow of goods passing through the port as efficiently as possible. Lorries with containers drive through a tunnel with X-ray equipment, where they are checked and assessed.

Dry bulk terminal

We will visit a major multi-purpose dry bulk terminal operator. Its main activities are the loading, unloading, storage and transshipment of dry bulk products, such as iron ore, coal or agri-bulk and biomass products.

Project cargo

This logistics provider is specialised in the coordination of safe storage, transshipment and transportation of project cargo. They serve a wide range of industries, from maritime, oil & gas and power generation to water treatment, construction and mining.

Ship’s visit / SS Rotterdam

Join us on a guided tour on board of the SS Rotterdam, including a visit to the vessel’s bridge-wheelhouse section. If the opportunity arises we will attend a container vessel.

Logistic services

Take a look at metal related products as well as various aspects of transport damage to base metals, ferro alloys, soft commodities, etc. and the appearance of atmospherical versus aggressive rust (including a silver nitrate test).

Reefer container depot

During a tour through a reefer container depot of one of the top five shipping companies in the world, located in the Waalhaven area, you will learn the ins and outs of a working reefer container.

Fruit wharf

Visiting a fruit wharf, specialised in the handling and storage of fruit and vegetables transported by sea, road and barge, you will hear much of what there is to know about the checks on the condition of the cargo, as well as the storage and logistics of palletised cargo in cold stores.

Ship repair yard

After a presentation at a ship repair yard that is fully equipped for maintenance, general repairs, dry-dockings and afloat repairs, you will be given the opportunity to fully inspect the outer hulls of several vessels.

Introduction to marine surveys

The course concludes with a presentation by BMT’s Marine Director, Paddy Rynders, who shares an insider view on our core business: marine surveying.

The programme depends on the availability of our partners and may be subject to alterations.



Target audience

Claim handlers and marine underwriters will especially benefit from the course.

Arrangements

- Each participant will receive a certificate of participation
- Per course, a maximum of eight participants can take part
- Necessary safety gear and suitable working clothes, as well as guided transportation to and from the port/ship will be provided
- BMT will host the lunch breaks and dinners
- The course starts on Tuesday at 18:00 hrs and ends on Friday at 13:00 hrs





For more information and reservations, please visit our website:

www.bmt.org/surveys/courses

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