

Halsey Beshears, Secretary

Ron DeSantis, Governor

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Interested Parties

FROM: Amanda Ackermann, Executive Director Board of Pilot Commissioners

SUBJECT: Examination for Certified Deputy Pilot Opening in the Port of Pensacola

DATE: August 1, 2020

If you are interested in applying for the deputy pilot opening in the Port of Pensacola, please submit a completed application and a non-refundable application fee of \$200. The Department will not begin accepting applications until **August 1, 2020**. All completed applications must be returned to the Department on or before **August 31, 2020**.

We encourage you to make application as soon as possible, but we urge you **not** to apply for this deputy pilot opening unless you are serious about serving as a pilot in the Port of Pensacola and are committed to preparing for and taking the entire examination, as detailed below.

Applicants are advised that, pursuant to Rule 61G14-11.006 of the Florida Administrative Code, "any applicant who consecutively fails to achieve a passing grade on two (2) examinations and fails to achieve an overall average score of 85% on each of those two examinations, whether for the same port or not, shall not be certified as eligible for an examination for any port for a three (3) year period, from the date of the first such failure."

Due to the special circumstances at the Port of Pensacola, before deciding to apply, candidates are encouraged to speak to Pensacola Bay Pilots, Inc. (850-418-4222), and to Port Director Amy Miller or Deputy Port Director Clark Merritt (850-436-5070), to get more information on the Port and the:

1. Number of pilots
2. Training program in effect
3. Present and projected volume of business
4. Compensation as a deputy and later as a state pilot

Please mail your application to the following address:

**DBPR/Professions
Board of Pilot Commissioners
PO Box 5377
Tallahassee, FL 32314-5377**

A direct link to the application is here:

<https://www.myfloridalicense.com/intentions2.asp?chBoard=true&boardid=23&SID>

The October 2020 Deputy Pilot Examination is currently scheduled as follows:

DATE: **October 13, 2020**
<http://www.myfloridalicense.com/DBPR/harbor-pilots/hot-topics/>

SITE: **Osceola Heritage Park**
1901 Chief Osceola Trail
Kissimmee, FL 34744

TIME: 7:30 a.m.

Examination for Certified Deputy Pilot Opening in Port of Pensacola

The examination will consist of the following:

1. (a) Rules of the road, International
(b) Rules of the road, Inland
(c) Seamanship and Ship handling
(d) Federal and State Pilotage Laws and Regulations
(e) Aids to navigation
2. (a) Local Knowledge of Port
(b) Port Chart Work

Chart Description(s):

Port of Pensacola:

The area from the vicinity of the Pensacola Sea buoy to and including the Pensacola Bay Bridge, Bayou Chico Entrance Channel as far as the bridge, East and West Channels, Harbor Channel, and approach and facilities at Naval Base.

(Chart 11383)