

“Accreditation of prior learning” EZS

If your certificate has expired or you have never applied for one, the KIWA can ask you to produce an ‘accreditation of prior learning’ (Dutch: EVC) in the form of a Certificate of Proficiency before handing out a new Certificate of Competence. As you have already obtained a KZV-diploma at our school, we presume the knowledge is present. We just need to prove that it is still up to date.

The accreditation of prior learning procedure goes as follows:

1. The EZS determines if the applicant is eligible for the procedure. If, in the opinion of the director, the time past between obtaining a diploma or time spent at sea is too long ago, the applicant will be requested to redo all exams.
2. If the applicant is admitted he/she pays an amount of € 300, - for a request for “accreditation of prior learning”.
3. The applicant receives a task book (*if posted extra costs will apply*) or collects this at our school
4. The applicant executes the tasks that are marked green* and has them signed for by the captain. If certain tasks cannot be completed or signed, the reason should be mentioned on a separate, undersigned, document.
5. Proof of a 180 days at sea needs to be established (can be kept up in the task book)
6. All necessary tasks and the sea-time mentioned under no. 5, needs to be carried out within four years prior to the date of handing in the task book.
7. After sending the task book back to the EZS and after it has been checked, an appointment is made with the applicant to come to our school. Here the applicant will need to take a COLREGS and a Law of the Sea test.
If during checking of the task book, the results call for further investigation, a third (general) test may be made part of the assessment.
If this test or tests are finished within the time given and with a sufficient outcome, the applicant will receive a Certificate of Proficiency.

The applicant will take this document to KIWA.

The EZS can decide to refuse the issuing of a declaration if not all tasks have been signed or accounted for, or if a given reason is not sufficient to cover the absence of a task signature. The applicant can under no circumstances claim a refund of any made payments.

*Except the parts 1.5.2, 2.1.4, 2.5.3, 2.5.6, 3.1.1, 3.2.1, 7.1.1, 7.1.2, 7.1.3, 14.1.5, 14.1.7, 14.1.8 (version 2018)

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