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Dear Mr Oliva

Congratulations on passing the exam for your RYA Certificate of Competence. I am delighted to enclose your certificate with this letter.

RYA qualifications are respected worldwide and represent a consistently high standard of competence for recreational and commercial skippers. You can take genuine pride in your achievement and feel confident that your skills will be acknowledged wherever you use your qualification.

We are keen that certificate holders stay up to date with the latest developments relating to their interests. With this in mind, we have a range of further training courses including navigation, sea survival, diesel engine and offshore safety. If you have a radar set on board, collision avoidance rules require you to know how to use it. Details of our radar course and all our other short courses can be found on www.ryatraining.org.

If you intend to use your certificate of competence in order to work commercially, you will need to complete an additional training course. The Professional Practices and Responsibilities course is a new online course and assessment introduced on 2 April 2012, and is now a requirement for anyone holding a commercial endorsement through the RYA. Full details of this course and the other requirements for working commercially are available on www.rya.org.uk/go/professional.

The support of qualified skippers is particularly valuable to the RYA in helping us promote and protect boating at every level. If you are not already an RYA member, I hope you will consider joining us.

Whether you will be using this qualification for your career, or to enhance your leisure boating, we wish you every success.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Falk
RYA Chief Examiner

Please Note: if you have a commercial endorsement on your certificate of competence this will only be valid with an acceptable in date medical certificate.