GREECE – SAILING REQUIREMENTS:
To charter a yacht in Greece, there must be at least one certified skipper and one experienced crew member, both 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 piloting skills to plan the day’s sailing and know your position at any time. The Skipper should be accompanied by at least one crew member (First Mate) of “Competent Crew” level or a similar/equivalent certification from any recognized sailing association.* As a yacht skipper, you are required to have a sailing license or a certificate from a recognized sailing association AND/OR an ICC or IPC 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”

AND/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

Charter Preparation Tips
A copy of all sailing certificates must be sent to the base and received at least 2 weeks before the start of the charter. It is also required that skippers take their original copies of certificates with them, as they will be asked to present them with their boat paper to the port authorities on arrival.

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!

*If the First Mate does NOT have a sailing license, they must fill out a sailing resume/CV to confirm that they have the necessary skills to sail in Greece aboard a charter vessel. They must also fill out a Declaration of Honor to provide a legal declaration to the Greek Port Authorities that said crew member is competent to crew aboard a chartered yacht.