



## INTERNATIONAL PRINCIPAL WARFARE OFFICER (A) (IPWO(A))

**Reference No**  
054/029

**Duration**  
28 weeks

**Location**  
Maritime Warfare School, HMS COLLINGWOOD, Fareham

**IELTS**  
6.5

**Frequency**  
One per year

### Aim of course

To train selected Officers from overseas Navies in the tactical handling of warships and the integrated use of associated weapons systems and sensors to enable them to act as Watchkeeping Warfare Officers of warships up to frigate size.

To plan and conduct exercises to allow students to take Tactical Command of a Task Force, and to achieve a mission in a multi-threat environment within the restrictions imposed by the Rules of Engagement.

### Outline syllabus

- ◆ A technical module, as background, covering the principles and techniques used in different systems and warfare areas.
- ◆ Anti-Air Warfare (Local and Force)
- ◆ Underwater Warfare
- ◆ International Maritime Law
- ◆ Communications and EW
- ◆ Tactical Procedure Exercises
- ◆ Practical Anti-Submarine training and Gunnery firings at sea in a RN/ Frigate which embodies briefings on Chaff Systems and modern Close Range Weapon Systems
- ◆ Extensive use of tactical simulators culminating in assessed multi-thread scenarios prior to qualification
- ◆ Anti-Surface Warfare
- ◆ Rules of Engagement
- ◆ CBRNDC
- ◆ Action Information Organisation

### Entry standards

- ◆ Rank of Lieutenant with at least 2 years seagoing experience in the rank

### Eye Sight Standards

Visual Acuity Standard is to be **Standard II Visual** acuity to be achieved **with or without** correcting lenses

BETTER EYE	WORSE EYE
6/6	6/24
6/9	6/18
6/12	6/12

Colour Perception Standard is to be **CP 1** and is defined as:

- ◆ The correct recognition of coloured lights shown through the small paired apertures of the Holmes Wright lantern at LOW brightness at 6 metres distance in complete darkness.



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Officers attending the above courses will be required to present documentary proof of eyesight/CP standards on arrival on course (having been tested by own authorities, or by appropriate independent medical authorities prior to course start).

**Failure to provide appropriate documentation will constitute a breach of Course Entry Standards and will result in the student(s) being withdrawn from the course.**

Further information on these standards can be obtained by contacting IDT(RN).

### Examinations / qualifications gained

- ◆ Practical assessment during simulator, systems and sea training. Written progress tests throughout course. Successful students awarded First, Second or Third Class Pass



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