



# GORKEM TAYLAN

Oceangoing Watchkeeping Officer  
Yacht Master

## CONTACT

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## EDUCATION

### Istanbul Technical University

(ITU) / 2016 - 2021

Bachelor' Degree

### Maritime Transportation and Management Engineer (English)

Istanbul, Turkey

**Thesis – 2020**

The Effect of Sail

Geometry on

Navigator Performance

## DETAILS

Date of Birth : 07.07.1998

Nationality : Turkey

Visa(s) : Schengen

Non-Smoker

No Tattoos

## ABOUT ME

I've been sailing professionally for 17 years, therefore I have improved on my maneuvering skills by sailing yachts of various sizes. I have an unlimited license as Oceangoing Watchkeeping Officer. I bring a very positive attitude to my work. I am extremely hard working, displaying both a committed and flexible approach to all that I do. I gained experience in necessary bridge ISM's and navigational maintenance. I have excellent communication skills due to busy charter season. I am looking forward to a long-term position on an upbeat, enthusiastic, team driven boat.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### S/Y SHAMOUN

FIRST MATE / 110' ft / Sailing Yacht – Private (March - August 2022)

- All GMDSS, maintaining and updating equipment logs, passage planning, Bridge watch
- Cleaned, detailed, and maintained all deck and exterior storage areas

### S/Y JUBILANT

CAPTAIN / 53' ft / Ketch Sailing Yacht – Private (February – March 2022)

- Renewed interior design and deck of the yacht and transferred between Langkawi, Malaysia and Phuket, Thailand.

### M/T ASENA

OFFICER / 185 mt / Oil-Chemical Tanker (December 2021 – January 2022)

- All GMDSS, maintaining and updating equipment logs, passage planning, Bridge watch, Cargo operation, maintained deck and accommodation.

### M/V ISTANBUL N

OFFICER / 135 mt / Ro-Ro-Passenger Ship (February – May 2021)

- All GMDSS, maintaining and updating equipment logs, passage planning, Bridge watch, Cargo operation, maintained deck and accommodation.

### SOUND OF SAILS / Sailing Event

CAPTAIN / 53 ft / Sailing Yacht – Private (June – September 2020)

- Captain for busy charter program with back-to-back guest every week with up to 6 guests

### M/V MED DENIZLI – MSC

OFFICER / 151 mt / Container (September 2019 – February 2020)

- All GMDSS, maintaining and updating equipment logs, passage planning, Bridge watch, Cargo operation, maintained deck and accommodation.

### HEDEF YELKEN SAILING SCHOOL

SAIL INSTRUCTOR (September 2017 – December 2021)

- I have been a sailing instructor since 2017. I worked as an instructor in basic and advanced sailing training, basic and advanced yacht training, racing training. In this process, I worked full time in some periods and part time in some periods.

## SKILLS

Languages: Turkish, English

Excellent Leadership Skills.

Strong Tender Driving

Water Sport Skills

Microsoft Office

## HOBBIES

Sailing

Diving

Surfing

Photography

CrossFit

Cooking

Travelling

## REFERENCES

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## SAIL EXPERIENCE

- Rolex Middle Sea Race 2022 (606 Miles) / Corona 46 (Prototype)
- Cork Week Sailing Race Ireland 2016 / J/80
- Intercollegiate Campuscup Sailing Race / MAT 12
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- Many races organized by the Turkish Sailing Federation;
  - Beneteau First 40 - Beneteau First 40.7
  - Beneteau First 8 - ILC 30
  - Corby 29 - Laser 4.7 / Optimist
- Langkawi, Malaysia to Phuket, Thailand / Approximately 150 miles  
53'ft ketch S/Y Jubilant
- Numerous transfers averaging 100 miles in Turkish waters

## CERTIFICATES

- Oceangoing Watchkeeping Officer
- Ship Security Officer (2021-2026)
- Navigational Watchkeeping Certificate (2018-2023)
- GOC - GMDSS General Radio Operator Certificate (2019)
- ARPA - Automatic Radar Plotting Appliances Using Training Document (2019)
- Personnel on Passenger Ships Training and Qualifications Certificate (2021-2026)
- Small Powerboat & RIB Master
- IYT International Bareboat Skipper Sail (2022-2027)
- Open Water Diver (PADI)
- Advanced Fire Fighting Training Certificate (2021-2026)
- Medical Care Training Certificate (2021-2026)
- Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boats (Other Than Fast Rescue Boats) (2021-2026)
- Designated Security Duties Certificate (2018)
- Personal Survival Techniques Training Certificate (2018-2023)
- Driver's License (2016 – M-F-B-B1)