

PERSONAL DETAILS

SIMON GROVES

DATE OF BIRTH: 12.7.1958

NATIONALITY: British

CAREER SUMMARY

Consulting engineer / surveyor dealing with all aspects of marine engineering and naval architecture. Honours degree qualified - Chartered Engineer. Eight years experience in technical consultancy for marine claims consultants before concentrating on insurance related surveys, claims and loss prevention. Has established a strong reputation within the London insurance market for a professional but practical approach. Accustomed to liaising with clients at the highest level. Particular expertise in the field of high speed craft and large motor yachts. Sound background in commercial shipping as a Chief Engineer and as a Superintendent.

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERTISE

- European Engineer (Eur Ing)
- Chartered Engineer (C Eng)
- Engineering Council examinations
- Member - Institute of Marine Engineers, Science & Technology (MI Mar EST)
- Class 1 motor certificate of competency
- Sailed as Chief Engineer on merchant ships, high speed ferries and a luxury mega yacht
- Extensive experience of fast craft, gas turbines, waterjets and specialised vessels
- Regular damage surveys and technical investigations
- Extensive marine insurance knowledge providing surveys and technical advice with respect to policy conditions and adjusting practice.
- Completed factory training in GE marine gas turbines and Kamewa waterjets

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2003 to date

Inserve Marine Technical Services Ltd.

Founder member of Inserve, specialising in loss prevention, technical services and claims consultancy. Loss prevention studies with large fleets worldwide. Proven track record of risk reduction and loss control through the company's three main survey packages, the Risk Assessment Survey, Technical Appraisal and Loss Prevention Study.

1995 to 2003

CTC Services Marine Technical.

Director of Richards Technical Services, later absorbed into CTC Services Marine. Provided survey and technical services to marine insurers including advising on the technical aspects of insurance claims, pre risk surveys and loss prevention.

1994 to 1995 Southampton Institute.

Engineering Council Examinations: Honours degree equivalent course leading to Chartered Engineer status. Curriculum included engineering, mechanics, ship design, naval architecture, materials and project management.

- 1992 to 1994** **Motoryacht "Eco".**
Chief Engineer, responsible for all engineering aspects of this radically designed, gas-turbine powered motoryacht during the first two years of its life. Challenges included technical troubleshooting and rectification of the problems associated with such a prototype design.
- 1990 to 1992** **Cowes Express.**
Chief Engineer / Superintendent, responsible for the operation and maintenance of a fleet of three high speed passenger ferries operating between Cowes and Southampton. Also responsible for overseeing maintenance schedules and practices at the associated shipyard, crew recruitment and training.
- 1986 to 1990** **Self employed.**
The business comprised a blend of marine surveying - particularly small yachts and boats for insurance purposes - running alongside the family retail business.
- 1982 to 1986** **Commodore Shipping.**
2nd/Chief Engineer.
Operating small containerships throughout northern Europe.
- 1974 to 1982** **B.P. Tanker Co.**
Engineer Officer
Trained as a Marine Engineer and served on a number of oil tankers worldwide.