

Issue of Hard Cover Certificate at DGS

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Subject : Issue of Hard Cover Certificate at the D. G. Shipping

Hard Covers are now being issued to candidates for all grades of Masters and Mates examinations after six months of obtaining the letter of authority.

The Ship Owners, Masters, Agents and candidates are hereby advised that in order to obtain Hard Cover Certificate of Competency, the application in a prescribed format is required to be duly completed and submitted to this Directorate. The Hard Cover Certificate will be prepared by the Directorate and despatched to any of the Mercantile Marine Departments or Embassies/Consulates as desired by the candidates for issuance by respective Mercantile Marine Departments or Embassies/Consulates within 15 days from the date of receipt of the application. [The format of the application is enclosed.](#)

It may be noted that validity of letter of authority issued to Masters & Mates certification will be limited to 12 months only from the date of issue effective from 1st July, 1998. An endorsement to this effect will be made on all letters of authority issued after 1st July, 1998. All candidates are required to collect their Hard Cover Certificates prior to expiry of the letter of authority as no further extension of letters of authority will be permitted.

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