

Training Circular No. 7 of 2002

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Dated: July30, 2002

Sub: Recognition of certificates - (As per Regulation I/10 of STCW'95)

In accordance with the provisions under Regulation I / 10 of the STCW 95 convention an Endorsement in the prescribed format as per page 11 Section A - I / 2 of the Convention is required to be given to COC holders whose COCs have been accepted, pursuant to signing of the MOU. The format of the "endorsement" is given in the Convention but necessary format (Endorsement) is yet to be printed or a computer program is yet to be developed.

Considering the fact that there are many Indian officers holding UK COC are sailing on Indian ships and understanding that the PSC officers will be very severe during their inspection, with respect to compliance of STCW 95, it is essential that immediate temporary steps should be initiated so that such Indian ships having such COC holders are not detained.

Taking note of para 5 of Regulation I / 10 of the Convention, the certificate holder from the country with whom necessary MOU has been processed and completed may apply for endorsement. Such applicants may be given a documentary proof in the attached format to indicate that application for the endorsement has been submitted to the Administration. Such documentary proof will be accepted in lieu of the endorsement for a period of three months .

So far as the fees are concerned, Rs. 1000 may be charged for issuance of acknowledgement. The fee of 1000 is based on extension of para 21 of the schedule of fee as prescribed in the META Manual Vol. I.

In the beginning it may be restricted to Indian nationals intending to serve on board Indian ships. The applicant may fill up the application form at the examination center supported by a letter from the intending employer (Indian) for the purpose of acknowledgement letter.

The MMDs shall forward a copy of acknowledgement letter to the Directorate for the purpose of preparation of endorsement as per Regulation I / 10 of the Convention.

In view of above, till "**Endorsement Attesting the Recognition of a certificate**" is issued by Directorate, the POs are hereby authorized to issue the "Acknowledgement of Application".

This issues with the approval of Director General of Shipping & Ex-officio Addl. Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Sd/-
(Naresh Salecha)
Sr. Dy. Director General of Shipping

DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING
Ministry of Shipping, Government of India

International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watch keeping for Seafarers, 1978
as amended in 1995 Regulation I/10

Acknowledgement of application for
Endorsement Attesting the Recognition of a Certificate
(other than Radio officer / Radio operator)

Date

Place

Reference No

Receipt of an application for endorsement attesting recognition of certificate issued in favour of _____ of _____ Passport / CDC NO. _____ holding Certificate of Competency No. _____ issued by _____ on Dt. _____ is hereby acknowledged.

Capacity _____

Limitations (if any) _____

This acknowledgement is not in any way evidence of certificate of competence and is subject to issue of Endorsement by this Administration as required by STCW 1995 provisions. This receipt of application for endorsement may however be used for a maximum of three months from the date of this receipt as proof of having applied for the said endorsement which is in the process of being issued as per prescribed procedure and assessment of applicant.

PRINCIPAL OFFICER

MMD _____