Guidelines for considering amendment proposals after issue of license

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It has been noticed that many proposal are coming for amendments after issue of licence under Section 406/407 of M.S. Act, 1958 and for chartering foreign flag vessels. The policy as to what will be treated as fresh case or what will be treated as simple amendments has not been laid down. It is felt that the criteria should be pronounced so that everyone is aware of the correct procedure. This will ensure transparency and fairness to all concerned.

The Director General of Shipping and Secretary to the Govt. of India is therefore pleased to lay down the following guidelines for considering amendment proposals :

1. The maximum no. of times amendments which will be allowed shall be restricted to twice.

2. The amendment should not cover more than 3 variations from the approved licence, otherwise it will be treated as a fresh case.

3. In case there is change in name of vessel and ownership and also laycan period then it will be treated as a fresh case.

4. The Maximum variation for laycan period will be allowed one week on either side otherwise it will be treated as fresh case.

5. Once the proposal has been given, the fee will not be refunded or adjusted against other proposal.

The amendment fee shall continue to be Rs. 1000/- per case per occasion. In case it is treated as a fresh case, the fee as applicable will be levied accordingly.