



Resolution No. 10
Series of 2000

**STANDARDS IN THE ISSUE OF CERTIFICATES OR DOCUMENTARY
EVIDENCE UNDER CHAPTER V AND VI OF THE
STCW CONVENTION, AS AMENDED FOR NEW
ENTRANTS AND EXISTING SEAFARERS**

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Executive Order No. 242 states that the Maritime Training Council (MTC) shall be responsible for Philippine compliance with the provisions and requisites of the 1978 STCW Convention, as amended;

WHEREAS, Section 2 (2) of LOI 1404 authorizes the MTC to issue certificates of proficiency to Seafarers who meet the training requirements of the Convention;

WHEREAS, a National Assessment Center was established to issue the certificates and/or documentary evidence required under Chapter V and VI of the Convention.

Now, therefore, resolve, as it is hereby resolved that:

Section 1. General Provision. All certificates and documentary evidences required under Chapters V and VI of the STCW Convention shall be issued in accordance with this Resolution.

Section 2. Definition of Terms

- (a) *Convention* - refers to the 1978 STCW Convention as amended.
- (b) *Certificate of Proficiency* - refers to the certificate issued by the Maritime Training Council under this Resolution to qualify seafarers under Chapter V and VI of the Convention;
- (c) *Documentary Evidence* - refers to the documentary requirements specified under this Resolution in accordance with Chapters V and VI of the Convention.
- (d) *Existing Valid Certificate* - refers to certificate of training or sea service issued in accordance with the STCW '78 requirements, previously authenticated and endorsed by MARINA, prior to the effectivity of MARINA Administrative Order No. 08, S-2000.

- (e) *New entrants* – refers to seafarers who commenced approved training under MTC Resolution No. 03, S-1998 on or after 27 October 1998.
- (f) *Existing seafarers* – refers to seafarers who are holders of existing valid certificate under (d) above prior to 27 October 1998.
- (g) *Approved training* – refers to the completion of training courses from the accredited programs conducted by training centers under Resolution No. 03, S-1998
- (h) *Approved seagoing service* – means service on board a ship relevant to the issue of a certificate or other qualification.
- (i) *Qualified Assessor* - refers to the person who meets the requirements under Section 4 of Resokution and designated by the Council to assess the ability of an individual to perform a task, duty or responsibility based on established criteria and professional judgment to determine whether the required level of competence and proficiency is achieved.
- (j) *Master* - means the person having command of a ship;
- (k) *Officer* - means a member of the crew, other than the Master, designated as such by national law or regulation;
- (l) *Rating* - means a member of the ship's crew other than the Master or an Officer;
- (m) *Oil Tanker* - means a ship constructed and used for the carriage of petroleum and petroleum products in bulk;
- (n) *Chemical Tanker* - means a ship constructed or adapted and used for the carriage in bulk of any liquid product listed in Chapter 17 of the International Bulk Chemical code;
- (o) *Liquefied Gas Tanker* - means a ship constructed or adopted and used for the carriage in bulk of any liquefied gas or other product listed in chapter 19 of the International Gas Carrier Code;
- (p) *Ro-ro Passenger Ship* - means a passenger ship with ro-ro spaces or special category spaces as defined in the International Convention for the Safety of Life and Property at Sea, 1974 as amended;
- (q) *Passenger ship other than ro-ro ship* - means a passenger ship other than ro-ro as defined in the International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 as amended.

Section 3. Issue of Certificate of Proficiency/Documentary Evidence

Certificates or documentary evidences required under Chapters V and VI shall only be issued in accordance with the herein-prescribed requirements.

A. CHAPTER V – SPECIAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONNEL ON CERTAIN TYPE OF SHIPS.

1. **General Tanker Operation**

Officers and ratings assigned specific duties and responsibilities related to cargo or cargo equipment on tankers may be issued a Certificate of Proficiency in General Tanker Operation pursuant to paragraph 1, Reg. V/1, paragraph 1, if such seafarer meets the following:

- 1.1 hold an STCW '95 document in Basic Safety (Reg. VI/1)
- 1.2 Completed an approved shore-based fire fighting course
- 1.3 Completed an approved tanker familiarization course covering at least the syllabus given for that course in Section A-V/1 of the STCW Code;

or

- 1.3.1 Completed at least 3 months of approved seagoing service on tankers in order to acquire adequate knowledge of safe tanker operations;

or

- 1.3.2 Completed a supervised seagoing service for less than 3 months, provided that:

- the period accepted is not less than 1 month
- the tanker is less than 3,000 gross tonnage
- the duration of each voyage on which the tanker is engaged during the period does not exceed 72 hours; and
- the operational characteristics of the tanker and the number of voyages and loading and discharging operations completed during the period, allow the same level and knowledge and experience to be acquired.

Seafarers who are holders of existing certificates may be issued certificates under the new format, provided in the case of officers, they must have served on board tankers for at least 6 months during the preceding 5 years.

2. Specialized Oil Tanker Operation

Masters, Chief Engineer Officers, Chief Mates, Second Engineer Officers and other persons with immediate responsibility for loading, discharging and care in transit or handling of cargo may be issued Certificate of Proficiency in Specialized Oil Tanker pursuant to paragraph 2, Reg. V/1, if such seafarer meets the following:

- 2.1 hold a General Tanker Certificate;
- 2.2 at least 6 months seagoing service on board oil tanker appropriate to his rank or capacity;

and

- 2.2.1 Completed an approved specialized training in oil tanker operation which at least covers the subject set-out in Section A-V/1 of the STCW Code;

or

- 2.2.2 Completion of at least 1 year of seagoing service on board oil tanker before 01 January 1998 within the preceding 5 years in relevant capacity shall be exempted to undergo training in 2.2.1 above.

Seafarers who are holders of existing certificate are deemed to have met the requirements above and may be issued a certificate in accordance with the new prescribed format, provided that in the case of Masters and Officers, they must have served on board an Oil Tanker in relevant capacity for at least 6 months during the preceding 5 years. In the absence of such sea service, said seafarer shall undergo the training required under paragraph 2.2.1 above including Shore-based Fire Fighting.

3. Specialized Chemical Tanker Operation

Masters, Chief Engineer Officers, Chief Mates, Second Engineer Officers and other persons with immediate responsibility for loading, discharging and care in transit or handling of cargo may be issued Certificate of Proficiency in Specialized Chemical Tanker Operation pursuant to paragraph 2, Reg. V/1, if such seafarer meets the following:

- 3.1 hold General Tanker Certificate;
- 3.2 at least 6 months seagoing service on board chemical tanker appropriate to his rank or capacity;

and

- 3.2.1 Completed on approved specialized training in chemical tanker operation which at least covers the subject set-out in Section A-V/1 of the STCW Code;

or

- 3.2.2 Completion of at least 1 year of sea service before 01 January 1998 within the preceding 5 years on board chemical tanker in relevant capacity shall be exempted to undergo training in 3.2.1.

Seafarers who are holders of existing certificate are deemed to have met the requirements above and may be issued a certificate in accordance with the new prescribed format, provided that in the case of Masters and Officers, they must have served on board Chemical Tanker Operation in relevant capacity for at least 6 months during the preceding 5 years. In the absence of such sea service, said seafarer shall undergo training required under paragraph 3.2.1 above including Shore-based Fire Fighting.

4 Specialized Liquefied Gas Tanker Operation

Masters, Chief Engineer Officers, Chief Mates, Second Engineer Officers and other persons with immediate responsibility for loading, discharging and care in transit or handling of cargo may be issued Certificate of Proficiency in Specialized Liquefied Gas Tanker Operation pursuant to paragraph 2, Reg. V/1, if such seafarer meets the following:

4.1 hold a General Tanker Certificate;

4.2 at least 6 months seagoing service on board liquefied gas tanker appropriate to his rank or capacity;

and

4.2.1 Completed on approved specialized training in Liquefied Gas Tanker Operation which at least covers the subject set-out in Section A-V/1 of the STCW Code;

or

4.2.2 Completion of at least 1 year of sea service on board liquefied gas tanker before 01 January 1998 within the preceding 5 years on board liquefied gas tanker in relevant capacity shall be exempted to undergo training in 4.3.1 above.

Seafarers who are holders of existing certificate are deemed to have met the requirements above and may be issued a certificate in accordance with the new format, provided that in the case of Masters and Officers, they must have served on board Liquefied Gas Tanker Operation in relevant capacity for at least 6 months during the preceding 5 years. In the absence of such sea service,

said Master or Officer shall undergo training required under paragraph 4.2.1 above including Shore-based Fire Fighting.

• **Crowd Management, Familiarization and Safety Training on Board ro-ro Passenger Ship (Reg. V/2 , par. 4, 5 & 6)**

Masters , officers and other personnel on board ro-ro passenger ships with designated duties on muster list as specified under paragraphs 4, 4 & 6 of Regulation V/2 of the 1978 STCW Convention as amended may be issued the appropriate documentary evidence if such seafarer meets the following:

5.1 completed approved training course in Crowd Management, Familiarization and Safety Course;

5.2 provided, that the above training has been taken during the last 5 years , otherwise the seafarers shall have undertaken a refresher training or be requested to provide evidence of having achieved the required standard of competence within the previous 5 years.

6. Crisis Management and Human Behavior including training in passenger safety, cargo safety and hull integrity on board ro-ro passenger ship.

Masters, chiefmates, chief engineer officers, second engineer officers and other persons with duties and responsibilities specified under paragraph 7 & 8 of Reg. V/2 of the 1978 STCW convention as amended may be issued the appropriate documentary evidence of the following are met:

6.1 Completed approved training course in crisis management and human behavior including training in passenger safety, cargo safety and hull integrity;

6.2 Provided, that the above training has been taken during the last 5 years , otherwise the seafarers shall have undertaken a refresher training or be required to provide evidence of having achieved the required standard of competence within the previous 5 years.

7. Crowd Management , Familiarization and Safety Training on Board Passenger Ship Other than ro-ro passenger Ship

Seafarers with designated duties as specified under paragraphs 4, 5 & 6 of Reg. V/3 of the 1978 STCW Convention may be issued the appropriate documentary evidence if they meet the requirements under # 5 above.

8. Crisis Management and Human Behavior Including Training in Passenger Safety, Cargo Safety and Hull Integrity on Board Passenger Ship Other than Ro-ro Passenger Ship.

Seafarers with designated duties and responsibilities as specified under paragraphs 7 & 8 of Regulation V/3 of the 1978 STCW Convention as amended may be issued the appropriate documentary evidence if they meet the requirement under # 6 above.

9. Basic Safety Training (Reg. VI/1)

The documentary evidence in Basic Safety as provided under Regulation VI/1 of the Convention shall be issued in accordance with Resolution No. 9 and MTC Memorandum Circular No. 5, S-2000

10. Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boat (Reg. VI/2, para 1)

Every candidate for a Certificate of Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boat other than fast rescue boat shall comply with the following:

10.1 at least 20 years of age

10.2 hold an STCW '95 document in Basic Safety

10.3 have an approved seagoing service of not less than 12 months

or

have completed an approved training course in Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boat & 6 mos. approved sea service.

10.4 meet the standard of competence set out in Section A-VI/2, paragraphs 1 to 4 of the STCW Code.

Seafarers who are holders of certificates of proficiency in survival craft issued under the STCW '78 requirements duly authenticated or endorsed by MARINA may be issued a certificate in accordance with the new format, provided that the seafarer has served at least 6 months of seagoing service during the last 5 years.

11. Proficiency in Fast Rescue Boat (Reg. VI/2, para 2)

Every candidate for a Certificate in Fast Rescue Boat shall comply the following:

11.1 be a holder of a Certificate of Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boat as provided under item # 10.

11.2 Have completed an approved training course in Fast Rescue Boat.

11.3 Meet the standard of competence set out in Section A-VI/2, paragraph 5 to 8 of the STCW Code.

12. Advanced Fire Fighting (Reg. VI/3)

Seafarers designated to control fire fighting operation in accordance with the provisions of Section a-VI/3 of the STCW Code may be issued a Certificate of Proficiency, provided the following are met:

- 12.1 hold an STCW '95 document in Basic Safety
- 12.2 completed an approved training course in Advanced Fire Fighting
- 12.3 Meet the standard of competence set out in Table A-VI/3 of the STCW Code

Seafarers who have obtained training in advanced fire fighting in training centers with authority from the Maritime Training Council before the effectivity of the Convention and who have served on board for at least 6 months within the preceding 5 years as a designated officer to control fire fighting operation may be issued a certificate under the new format.

13. Medical First Aid (Reg. VI/4, para 1)

Seafarers designated to provide medical first aid on board ships as specified under Section A-VI/4, paragraph 3 of the STCW Code may be issued a Certificate of Proficiency in Medical First Aid if the following are met:

- 13.1 Completed an approved course in Medical First Aid
- 13.2 Meet the standard of competence set out in Table A-VI/4-1 of the STCW Code.

14. Medical Care (Reg. VI/4, para 2)

Seafarers designated to take charge of Medical Care on board as specified in Section A-VI/4, paragraph 4 to 6 of the STCW Code may be issued the Certificate of Proficiency in Medical Care if the following requirements are met.

- 14.1 completed an approved course in Medical Care
- 14.2 Meet the standard of competence set out in Table A-VI4-2 of the STCW Code.

Seafarers who have obtained training in Medical Care before the effectivity of the Convention and who have served for at least 6 months on board during the preceding 5 years designated to take charge of medical care on board may be issued a certificate under the new format.

Section 4. Assessment of Competence. Assessment of competence under this resolution shall be conducted by a qualified assessor. The assessor shall meet the following requirements:

1. Have an appropriate level of knowledge and understanding of the competence to be assessed;
2. Be qualified in the tasks for which the assessment is being made;
3. Have received appropriate guidance in assessment method and practice thru attendance to an MTC approved course in IMO Model Course 3.12
4. Have gained practical assessment experience; and
5. If conducting assessment involving the use of simulators, have gained practical assessment experience in the particular type of simulator under the supervision and to the satisfaction of an experienced assessor.

Section 5. Format of the Certificates and documentary evidences. - The forms as prescribed shall be used.

Section 6. Implementing Instructions. The MTC Secretariat shall formulate the implementing instruction immediately upon effectivity of this Resolution.

Section 7. Suspension or revocation of certificates or documentary evidence issued under the resolution.

The Maritime Training Council may suspend or revoke the certificate or documentary evidence issued under this Resolution on the following grounds after due investigation.

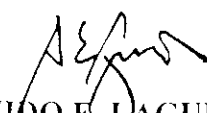
- (a) the seafarer was found to have submitted fictitious data or information required for the issue of certificates or documentary evidences under this Resolution.
- (b) the holder of the certificate or documentary evidences has been found guilty of incompetence, act or omission, that may pose a direct threat to the safety

of life and property at sea or to the marine environment by the proper authority.

Section 8. Effectivity - This Resolution shall take effect upon approval.

Done in the City of Manila this 26th day of October, 2000.

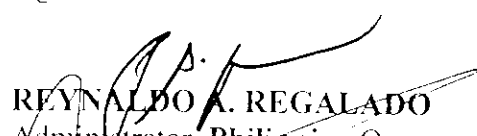
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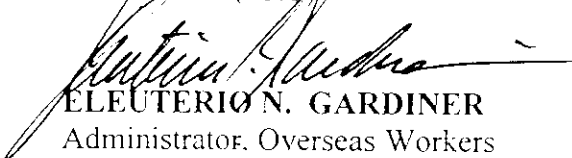
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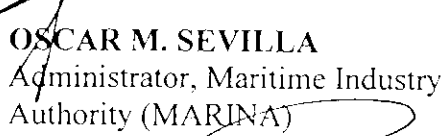
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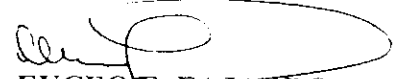
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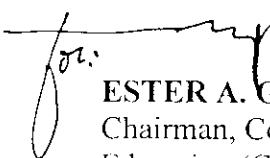
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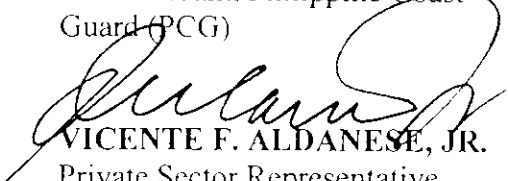
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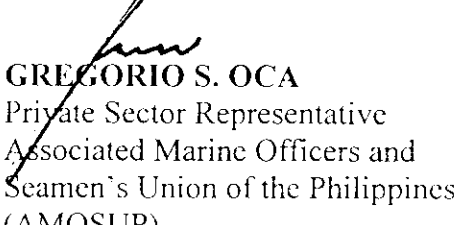
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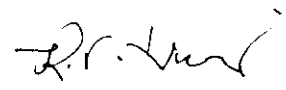
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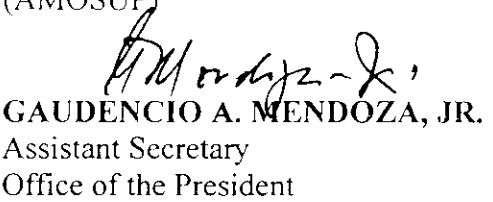
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