

Republic of the Philippines Professional Regulation Commission Manila

MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 2013-03 Series of 2013

TO

: CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS
BOARD OF MARINE DECK OFFICERS

OIC, VICE-CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS BOARD OF MARINE ENGINEER OFFICERS

OFFICER- IN-CHARGE STCW DIVISION

ALL CONCERNED PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: GUIDELINES IN THE PROCESSING OF STCW

CERTIFICATES

DATE : OCTOBER 22, 2013

Effective immediately, the following guidelines shall govern in the processing of STCW Certificates:

- 1. Regulation IV/2 qualification shall be placed only in the STCW Endorsement Certificate for operational level officers, GOC being a STCW Certificate of Competency under the 2010 Manila Amendments to the STCW Convention and the duty of operational level officers.
- 2. In case, the GOC and Tanker Certificates will expire earlier than the STCW Certificates to be issued/revalidated, the applicant shall be advised to have the said GOC and Tanker Certificates revalidated. Otherwise, the expiry date of the STCW Certificates issued/revalidated shall be the same date as the date of expiry of the GOC and/or Tanker Certificates, whichever is earlier.
- 3. In case of replacement of Lost or Destroyed STCW Certificates, a new endorsement number shall be issued, and a tracking system shall be established and implemented to determine the number of replaced STCW Certificates issued to a marine deck or engineer officer.
- 4. The limitation/s in words of a particular Regulation of the STCW Convention shall be spelled out in the space/box of the STCW Certificates specified for limitation/s, in lieu of placing the paragraph after the Regulation.
- 5. STCW Certificates with limitation for fishing vessels, Mobile Drill Ship, off-shore facilities, shall no longer be issued considering that they are not seagoing ships.
- 6. Limitation as to the ship of less than 3,000GT, for Marine Deck Officers, and on ships with main propulsion machinery of less than 3,000kW propulsion power, for Marine Engineer Officers, shall be stated in the space/box specifically for limitations.

- 7. Issuance of STCW Certificates to Officer-in-Charge of an Engineering Watch with the capacity as Chief or Second Engineer Officer under Regulation III/3 shall be discontinued.
- 8. On Tanker ships, any limitation should be stated in the positive, and the word "NOT" shall no longer be used.
- 9. Issuance of STCW Certificates for Chief and Second Engineer Officers on ships with main propulsion machinery of less than 3,000kW propulsion power engaged on near coastal voyages shall be discontinued.
- 10. The limitation of less than 3,000kW propulsion power for STCW Certificates to be issued to Chief and Second Engineer Officers shall be specified in the capacity.

This Memorandum Order shall take effect immediately.

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