



MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY

STCW ADVISORY NO. 2016 – 25

**TO : ALL SEAFARERS, MARITIME TRAINING INSTITUTIONS,
SHIPOWNERS, MANNING AGENCIES, OTHER ENTITIES AND
INDIVIDUALS CONCERNED**

**SUBJECT : LIFTING OF MORATORIUM ON THE ACCREDITATION OF
MARITIME TRAINING COURSES**

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to PD 474, Republic Act No. 10635 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR), the Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, as amended in 2010, this Authority hereby adopts the following:

1. Recognizing the effort of Maritime Training Institutions (MTIs) in providing quality education and training for Filipino Seafarers.
2. Recognizing further the role of MTIs as partners in implementing training requirements as mandated under the STCW Convention.
3. Encouraging fair and just competition in the delivery and conduct of education and training for Filipino seafarers.
4. The existing advisory on moratorium concerns review and updating of existing rules for the inspection and accreditation of maritime training courses/programs.

Now therefore, this Authority hereby puts into effect the following:

1. This Advisory expressly repeals STCW Advisory No.2016-01 and thus, the moratorium on the accreditation of maritime training courses is lifted effective immediately.
2. That the reason for imposing moratorium as reflected under STCW Advisory No.2016-01 have now been effectively addressed by this Administration.
3. All existing MTIs intending to offer new programs or courses shall comply with the existing MARINA circulars, policies, and rules in the accreditation of Maritime Training Programs or Courses.
4. Newly formed MTIs that intend to offer new program or courses shall first be required to apply for accreditation as Recognized Training Center with

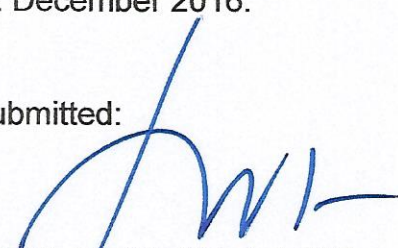


the MARINA STCW Office, whereby upon compliance with the requirements prescribed in Annex "A" hereof, a certificate of accreditation will be issued to the applicant.

5. In addition to the requirements prescribed by paragraph 3 hereof, newly formed MTIs that intend to offer new program or courses shall likewise comply with the existing MARINA circulars, policies, rules and regulations in the accreditation of Maritime Training Programs or Courses.
6. Submission of fraudulent or fake documents or cloned, imitation, or pirated equipment and/or simulators shall be a ground for disapproval of the application for accreditation.
7. For any query or concern on this subject, please email directly to pid_stcw@marina.gov.ph

12 December 2016.

Submitted:



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Approved:



MARCIAL Q.C. AMARO III, PhD
Administrator

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that STCW Advisory No 2016-25 was approved by the Administrator on 14 December 2016.



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ANNEX "A"

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF ACCREDITATION AS TRAINING CENTER

DOCUMENTATION

1. Letter of Application signed by the president or owner.
2. Certified true copy of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Registration Certificate and Articles of Incorporation / Articles of Partnership for partnership or Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) Registration Certificate for sole proprietorship.
3. Certificate of Ownership of lot and building or contract of lease.
5. Processes and procedures duly documented in the Quality Standard System
6. Floor Plan of the MTI's institutional site
7. Affidavit of Undertaking signed by the president or owner of the AC stating in substance and in principle that the MTI shall:
 - .1 Ensure the integrity and honesty of the personnel and officials involved in the conduct of training and adhere to fair practices in conducting training with the ultimate aim of producing highly competent seafarers;
 - .2 Strictly adhere and comply with all the provisions of the circulars for accreditation and that any violation hereof shall be a ground for revocation, cancellation or suspension of the Certificate of Accreditation;
 - .3 Amenable to unscheduled or unannounced inspection to be conducted by any authorized MARINA personnel; and
 - .4 Undertake to hold the Monitoring, Surveillance, METSS, BOMDO, BOMEQ, BOERA, BODRA and Accreditation teams of MARINA free from any legal suits or actions in the conduct of inspections as mandated by this Authority.

FACILITIES (minimum requirements)

1. Administrative Office
2. Registration Area
3. Accounting Area
4. Reception Area
5. Faculty Area
6. Comfort Room

EQUIPMENTS

Submit List of Equipment or simulators per course including proof of ownership of that equipment.

FACULTY AND ASSESSOR

Submit list of Faculty and Assessor per course including the required documents as per relevant circulars.