



MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY

STCW ADVISORY NO. 2018- 08

TO: ALL SEAFARERS, FLAG ADMINISTRATIONS, MARITIME TRAINING INSTITUTIONS, MARITIME HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS, SHIPOWNERS, MANNING AGENCIES, OTHER ENTITIES AND INDIVIDUALS CONCERNED

SUBJECT: CLARIFICATION ON THE TRANSITORY PROVISION UNDER STCW CIRCULARS 2018-08 AND 2018-09

In line with the STCW Circular 2018-08, "Revised Rules and Mandatory Minimum Requirements in the Assessment of Competence of Seafarers under the Relevant Provisions of Chapters II and IV of the STCW Convention, 1978, as Amended" and STCW Circular 2018-09, "Revised Rules and Mandatory Minimum Requirements in the Assessment of Competence of Seafarers under the Relevant Provisions of Chapter III of the STCW Convention, 1978, as Amended", the following clarifications are hereby adopted:

- a. Seafarers **who have taken the theoretical examination or practical assessment for the Operational and Management Level and GOC but are still to take re-sits** shall be required to take and passed the remaining competencies **ONLY until December 2019**, otherwise they shall be required to undergo the whole assessment under the STCW Circulars 2018-08 or 2018-09, as applicable;
- b. Seafarers **who have taken and passed the theoretical examination for the Operational and Management Level and GOC BUT have not taken their practical assessment** shall be required to take and passed the practical assessment **ONLY until December 2019**, otherwise they shall be required to undergo the whole assessment under the STCW Circulars 2018-08 or 2018-09, as applicable; and
- c. Seafarers **who have taken and passed the practical assessment BUT have not taken the theoretical examination for the Operational and Management Level and GOC** shall be required to take and pass the theoretical examination under the STCW Circular 2018-08 or 2018-09, as applicable.

For guidance and strict compliance.

This Advisory shall take effect immediately.

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CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that STCW Advisory No 2018- 08 was approved by the OIC Administrator on 07 November 2018.


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