Every candidate for the issue of certificate of competency as Chief Mate on ships shall:-

- (a) Hold a Certificate of Competency as an officer in charge of navigational watch on ships of 500GT or more
- (b) Have approved seagoing services as and officer in charge of a navigational watch on ships 500GT or more for a period of not less than twelve months
- (c) Produce documentary evidence of having successfully completed approved training for proficiency Medical Care on board as specified in (A-VI/4-2 in STCW code and
- (e) have completed approved education, training, examination and assessment meeting the standard of competence set out in section A-11/2 of the STCW code for Masters and Chief Mates on ships of 3000GT or more or on ships of between 500GT and 3000GT as appropriate