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Notice to All Ship-Owners, Operators, Training Institutes, Authorized Manning Agents, Masters of Sri Lankan Flagged Ships, and Recognized Organizations.

Engagement of Seafarers at the Shipping Office Under STCW 1978 as Amended

1. Purpose

1.1 2010 manila amendments to the STCW 1978 will come in to force from 31st December 2016.

1.2 This notice is to advise all seafarers regarding below requirements which will be applied when sign on articles at the shipping office of the Merchant Shipping Secretariat.

2. Requirements

2.1 All seafarers should revalidate their Certificates of Competency and Certificates of Proficiency (COC and COP) and other STCW ancillary certificates in compliance with STCW 2010 Manila amendments before 31st December 2016.

2.2 Seafarers with STCW 95 certificates and with a contract of employment of 6 months duration or less will be allowed to sign on articles till 31st May 2016.

2.3 Seafarers with STCW 95 certificates and with a contract of employment of 6 months or more but less than 9 months duration will be allowed to sign on articles till 31st March 2016.

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