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MARINE NOTICE

TO ALL MARITIME HEALTH PROVIDERS, SHIP OWNERS, SHIPPING COMPANIES, SHIP OPERATORS, ALL MASTERS OF SHIPS, MANNING AGENTS, SEAFARERS.

In line with the Agency's mandate as the Competent Authority to implement the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, (STCW Convention) 1978 as amended, the Maritime Labour Convention 2006 (MLC '06) as amended, and institute measures towards the improvement and maintenance of standards in Medical Examination/Screening and Certification of Seafarers, the Seafarer's Medical Certificate is hereby amended for standardization of results.

Accordingly, the public is informed of the amendments as follows:

1. Insertion of a box in the top left corner of the certificate to affix the Passport Photograph of the Seafarer
2. Introduction of a declaration from the recognised medical practitioner detailing the following;
 - i. ID checked at the point of examination Yes No
 - ii. Visual acuity standards as in STCW A-1/9 Yes No
 - iii. Colour Vision test standards as in STCW A-1/9 Yes No
 - iv. Hearing Standards as in STCW A-1/9 Yes No
 - v. Unaided hearing satisfactory Yes No
 - vi. Is there any limitation or restriction of fitness? Yes No
 - vii. Date of the last colour vision test
3. Introduction of Medical fitness category
 - a. Fit for lookout duty Fit Unfit
 - b. Deck Fit Unfit
 - c. Engine Fit Unfit
 - d. Steward Fit Unfit

This amendment comes into force from the date of publication of this Marine Notice. All previous Medical Certificates issued by the Agency remains valid, subject to their expiration.

The public is invited to note that the above amendments are in line with international standards and the Medical Certificates are recognised and accepted globally.

Further enquiries should be addressed to:

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