

SHIPPING NOTICE 04/2012 (Rev 1)

REVISED FORMAT OF “STCW ENDORSEMENTS”

To: OWNERS, MANAGERS, SEAFARERS, AND MASTERS OF CAYMAN ISLANDS SHIPS AND PORT STATE CONTROL OFFICERS.

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Under the provisions of STCW I/2.5, the Cayman Islands accepts seafarers holding a Certificate of Competency issued by certain other Administrations for service onboard Cayman Islands ships.
- 1.2 Such a Certificate of Competency is recognized as valid for service on a Cayman Islands ship by the issue of an “Endorsement attesting the recognition of a certificate” (or “Endorsement”). This is in accordance with STCW I/10.
- 1.3 Due to greater use of technology and improvement of processes, the Cayman Islands will be introducing a new format “Endorsement” from 01 October 2012.
- 1.4 Details of the new form of “Endorsement” and transitional arrangements effecting the validity of existing “Endorsements” are given below.

2. NEW FORMAT OF “ENDORSEMENTS ATTESTING TO THE RECOGNITION OF A CERTIFICATE”

- 2.1 The new form of Endorsement is a “credit card” style plastic card. This card features a digital photograph of the holder and digital signatures of both the holder and the issuing official.
- 2.2 The front of the card contains details of the holder, the underlying Certificate of Competency being recognized, issuing information and validity details. For security purposes, the front to the card also contains a holographic laminate.
- 2.3 The back of the card gives details of the capacities in which the holder can serve onboard a Cayman Islands ship along with the various functions and limitations associated with these capacities.

2.4 Samples of the new form of endorsement are given in Annex I to this Shipping Notice.

3 TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR EXISTING “ENDORSEMENTS ATTESTING TO THE RECOGNITION OF A CERTIFICATE”

- 3.1 The new form of “Endorsement” will start to be issued from 01 October 2012. The existing form of “Endorsement” will continue to be issued from certain locations until 31 December 2012. This is to allow the new infrastructure to be rolled out to all issuing locations in a controlled and orderly manner.
- 3.2 All “Endorsements” will continue to remain valid until the date of expiry stated on the “Endorsement”. This will also apply to any “Endorsements” issued in the existing format between 01 October 2012 and 31 December 2012.
- 3.3 It is therefore possible for an “Endorsement” issued in the existing format to remain valid until 01 January 2018 (subject to the expiry date stated on the Endorsement).
- 3.2 A sample of the existing “Endorsement” is given in Annex 2 of this Shipping Notice.

Annex 1: Revised form of “ENDORSEMENT ATTESTING THE RECOGNITION OF A CERTIFICATE”

Actual card size: 85.725mm x 53.975mm (CR 80)

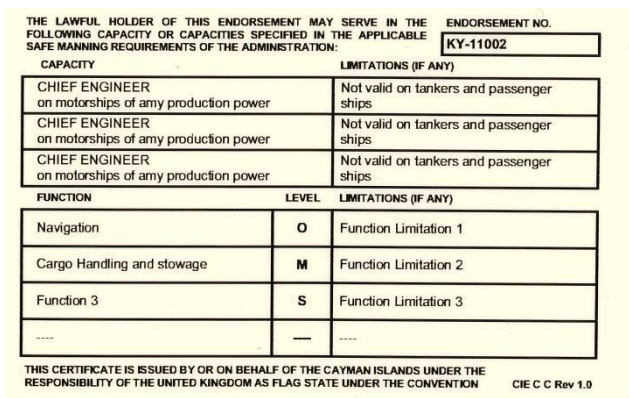
Card Front:



The front of the card gives details as to the holder and details of the “Certificate” held along with its issuing Administration.

Contains digital photographs and signatures

Card Back:



The back of the card contains information relating to the capacities and functions in which the holder may serve onboard a Cayman Islands ship along with any limitations.

M = Management Level
 O = Operational Level
 S= Support Level

Hologram (Card Front):



The card incorporates a holographic laminate applied to the front of the card as shown on the left.


Annex 2: Existing form of “ENDORSEMENT ATTESTING THE RECOGNITION OF A CERTIFICATE”

Existing Cayman Islands
“Endorsement”

Actual size: 297mm x 210mm
(A4)

Laminated, with original
photographs and signatures
incorporated under the plastic
laminate.

Edge strip: Silver metallic



CAYMAN ISLANDS

**ENDORSEMENT ATTESTING THE RECOGNITION OF A CERTIFICATE
UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON
STANDARDS OF TRAINING, CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR
SEAFARERS, 1978, AS AMENDED**

The Government of Cayman Islands certifies that Certificate No. [REDACTED] issued to

[REDACTED]

by or on behalf of the Government of [REDACTED] is duly recognized in accordance with the provisions of regulation I/10 of the above Convention, as amended, and the lawful holder is authorized to perform the following functions, at the levels specified, subject to any limitations indicated until **28th September, 2015** subject to the certificate issued by or on behalf of the Government of [REDACTED] remaining valid.

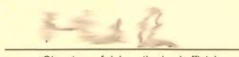
FUNCTION	LEVEL	LIMITATIONS APPLYING (IF ANY)
Navigation	-----	-----
Cargo handling and stowage	-----	-----
Controlling the operation of the ship and care for persons on board	MANAGEMENT	NONE
Marine engineering	MANAGEMENT	NONE
Maintenance and repair	MANAGEMENT	NONE
Electrical, electronics and control engineering	MANAGEMENT	NONE
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The lawful holder of this endorsement may serve in the following capacity or capacities specified in the applicable safe manning requirements of the Administration:

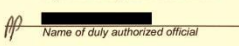
CAPACITY	LIMITATIONS (IF ANY)
CHIEF ENGINEER	NONE

Endorsement No. [REDACTED] issued on **19th September, 2012**





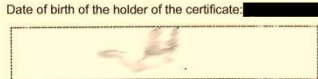
Signature of duly authorized official




Name of duly authorized official

The original of this endorsement must be kept available in accordance with regulation I/2, paragraph 9 of the convention while serving on a ship.

Date of birth of the holder of the certificate: [REDACTED]



Signature of the holder of the certificate



Photograph of the holder of the certificate

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This certificate is issued by or on behalf of the Cayman Islands under the responsibility of the United Kingdom as Flag State under the Convention

Some earlier “Endorsements” do not contain the footnote “*This certificate is issued by or on behalf of the Cayman Islands under the responsibility of the United Kingdom as Flag State under the Convention*”. Such “Endorsements” also remain valid until their date of expiry.