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Marine Notice (6/2016)

“Department of Marine Administration (DMA) notice on the IMO Circular relating to Seafarers who hold certificates and documents that do not comply with the 2010 Amendments to the STCW Convention and Code from 01 January – 01 July 2017”

Applicable to:	Ship Masters, Seafarers, Maritime Institutions, Ship Owners, Port State Control Officers, Recognized Organizations, Seafarer Recruitment and Placement Services (SRPS) Companies.
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1. In accordance with IMO MSC.1/Circ.1560 regarding "**advice for parties, administrations, port state control authorities and recognized organizations on action to be taken in cases where not all seafarers carry certificates and endorsements meeting the 2010 Manila amendments to the STCW Convention and Code from 1 January 2017**", port state control may allow seafarers with certificates not in accordance with the requirements of the 2010 Manila amendments to the STCW Convention, until 1 July 2017. (IMO MSC.1/Circ.1560 attached in Annex)
2. The DMA shall continue to issue and revalidate certificates in accordance with the requirements of the 2010 Manila amendments to the STCW Convention beyond 1 January 2017.
3. All seafarers are required to apply for issuance or revalidation of certificates under the 2010 Manila amendments to the STCW Convention the soonest possible time before they are deployed onboard.
4. The DMA may allow processing onboard for the revalidation of certificate of seafarers provided that all the requirements of the 2010 Manila amendments to the STCW Convention for that certificate have been met.
5. The DMA recommend that, in cases where a seafarer's documentation complied with the requirements in force immediately before 1 January 2017, but was not in accordance with the requirements of the 2010 Manila Amendments to the STCW Convention, Port State Control authorities, until 1 July 2017, were recommended to take a pragmatic and practical approach during inspections and to notify the ships, seafarers and Administrations concerned accordingly.

6. Recognized Organizations (RO) are requested for issuing ISM Code certification under SOLAS 74 that, until 1 July 2017, if a seafarer's documentation was not in accordance with the 2010 Manila Amendments to the STCW Convention, it would be sufficient to inform the DMA when assessing compliance with the provisions of the ISM Code.

7. This **Marine Notice** is valid until 01 July 2017.

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