Decision No. 42/2025

Organizational Procedures for Implementing Decision No. 1/17 Dated 12/01/2025 Amending Decision No. 1/168 Dated 04/04/2003 Related to the Implementation of the Provisions of the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification, and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW), 1978 and Its Amendments

The Director General of Land and Maritime Transport,

Based on Decree No. 2382 dated 19/12/2018 (Organizing the General Directorate of Land and Maritime Transport in the Ministry of Public Works and Transport and defining the appointment conditions for certain technical and administrative positions therein),

Based on Decision No. 1/168 dated 04/04/2003 and its amendments concerning the implementation of the provisions of the STCW Convention, 1978 and its amendments,

Decides the following:

Article One: Purpose of the Decision

The purpose of this decision is to define the organizational procedures for implementing Decision No. 1/17 dated 12/01/2025, which amends Decision No. 1/168 dated 04/04/2003 related to the implementation of the provisions of the STCW Convention, 1978 and its amendments.

Article Two: Definition of Responsibilities

- The Head of the IT Department shall notify the International Maritime Organization (IMO) of all decisions and circulars related to maritime transport, in addition to mutual recognition agreements of competency certificates between countries.
- The Head of the Maritime Training and Preparation Division shall oversee the periodic audit of operations within the division according to Quality Procedures No. QP 020 concerning self-evaluation and corrective actions.
- The Head Clerk of the Directorate General of Land and Maritime Transport shall notify all relevant maritime sector stakeholders of all related decisions and circulars.
- Competency certificates for the ranks of Third Engineer, Second Engineer, and Chief Engineer shall be issued with restrictions deeming them invalid for steam-powered vessels.
- Endorsements shall be issued for specialized certificates related to oil tankers, liquefied gas tankers, and the handling and transfer of petroleum substances at the basic level. Endorsements for the advanced level require the presentation of sea service of no less than three months in the handling and transfer of cargo aboard petroleum or gas tankers.

Article Three: Certificates Required for Each Maritime Rank

First: Deck Department

Support Level:

- Personal Survival Techniques
- Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities
- Elementary First Aid
- Fire Prevention and Firefighting
- Security Training for Seafarers with Designated Security Duties
- Navigational Watchkeeping
- Engineering Watchkeeping
- Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boats Other Than Fast Rescue Boats

Operational Level:

- Personal Survival Techniques
- Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities
- Advanced Firefighting
- Medical First Aid
- Security Training for Seafarers with Designated Security Duties
- Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boats Other Than Fast Rescue Boats
- Radar/ARPA
- ECDIS (Electronic Chart Display and Information System) Operation and Use
- Signaling and Communications
- General Operator's Certificate for the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS)
- Bridge Resource Management
- Principles of Marine Pollution Prevention

Management Level:

- Personal Survival Techniques
- Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities
- Advanced Firefighting
- Medical Studies
- Security Training for Seafarers with Designated Security Duties
- Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boats Other Than Fast Rescue Boats
- Radar/ARPA
- ECDIS Operation and Use
- Advanced Communications
- GMDSS General Operator's Certificate
- Bridge Resource Management
- Principles of Marine Pollution Prevention

Second: Engine Department

Support Level:

- Personal Survival Techniques
- Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities
- Elementary First Aid
- Fire Prevention and Firefighting
- Security Training for Seafarers with Designated Security Duties
- Navigational Watchkeeping
- Engineering Watchkeeping
- Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boats Other Than Fast Rescue Boats

Operational Level:

- Personal Survival Techniques
- Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities
- Advanced Firefighting
- Medical First Aid
- Security Training for Seafarers with Designated Security Duties
- Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boats Other Than Fast Rescue Boats
- Principles of Marine Pollution Prevention
- Engine Room Resource Management

Management Level:

- Personal Survival Techniques
- Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities
- Advanced Firefighting
- Medical First Aid
- Security Training for Seafarers with Designated Security Duties
- Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boats Other Than Fast Rescue Boats
- Principles of Marine Pollution Prevention
- Engine Room Resource Management

Article Four: Notification of the Decision

This decision shall be communicated where necessary and shall enter into force upon its issuance.

Acting Director General of Land and Maritime Transport

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