

Commonwealth of Dominica



Office of the Maritime Administrator

TO: ALL OWNERS, OPERATORS, MASTERS, AND CREW OF DOMINICA FLAGGED VESSELS AND SEAFARERS HOLDING OR SEEKING DOMINICA LICENSING AND/OR TRAINING; AND SEAFARER RECRUITMENT OR PLACEMENT AGENCIES

SUBJECT: CERTIFICATION AND ENDORSEMENT OF SHIP'S COOK

PURPOSE: THE PURPOSE OF THIS NOTICE IS TO BRING ATTENTION TO THE NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSING OR ENDORSEMENT OF A SHIP'S COOK.

APPLICABILITY: THIS POLICY LETTER APPLIES TO ALL MARINERS LICENSED OR ENDORSED BY THE COMMONWEALTH OF DOMINICA MARITIME ADMINISTRATION.

General

In order to effectively implement the provisions of CDP 800, or for issuance of a statement of compliance with the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, the Dominica Maritime Administration has made changes to the requirements for seafarers certified as a Ship's Cook. Seafarers must be over the age of 18 years of age, must have completed Basic Safety Training (STCW A – VI/1-1 to 1-4), and have completed a Ship's Cook training course and examination by a country that has ratified Maritime Labour Convention, 2006.

In the event that the Ship's Cook training certificate provided was issued by an Administration that has not yet ratified Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, the Administration will request a copy of the course outline and/or letter attesting to the below mentioned topics being included in the course. The minimum topics covered should include the following:

1. Practical cookery;
2. Food and personal hygiene;
3. Food Storage;
4. Stock control;
5. Environmental protection; and
6. Catering health and safety.

Existing certification for Ship's Cook issued by our Administration will be recognized and valid until the expiration of the document. The above requirements are applicable to seafarers requesting original licensing and/or endorsement as appropriate.

Any questions can be directed to:

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