

ST KITTS & NEVIS INTERNATIONAL SHIP REGISTRY

MARITIME CIRCULAR – MC 104 21

STCW DOCUMENTATION

1. Purpose

1.1. The purpose of this Maritime Circular is to advise all Stakeholders of the acceptance of "soft copies" of documents issued under the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW), 1978, to Seafarers registered with this Administration.

2. <u>Definitions</u>

- 2.1. **BOSS** means the Bespoke Online Seafarer System used to register Seafarers under Saint Christopher (Kitts) and Nevis¹ and offers an online verification service for documents issued.
- 2.2. **CDC** means a Seafarers Continuous Discharge Certificate and Identity Document issued by this Administration.
- 2.3. Endorsements mean any Certificate of Endorsement issued by this Administration.
- 2.4. Seafarer(s) means any person employed, engaged or works in any capacity onboard a ship.
- 2.5. **Ship Manager**, in connection with the ISM Code, is the party that assumes the responsibility for the operation of the ship from the Shipowner.

3. Introduction

3.1. Further to the Covid-19 pandemic, which provides logistical difficulties in shipping documentation worldwide, there are unavoidable delays in Seafarers working onboard Saint Christopher (Kitts) and Nevis vessels.

4. Actions Decided

- 4.1. This Administration advises Stakeholders that soft copies/e-versions of the pertinent issued documentation are authorised to be retained on board and made available for inspection at all times.
- 4.2. Ship Managers should take their best endeavours to deliver the original documentation on board as soon as possible.
- 4.3. This authorisation will remain valid until 31 December 2022.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

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¹ Bespoke Online Seafarer System - <u>http://www.sknseafarers.com/</u>

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