

**Commonwealth of Dominica**



**Office of the Maritime Administrator**

**TO ALL SHIPOWNERS, OPERATORS, MASTERS AND OFFICERS OF MERCHANT SHIPS, AND RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS**

**SUBJECT: Minimum Safe Manning Guidelines**

**REFERENCE: (a) Maritime Regulation Chapter 7, Merchant Seamen**

**PURPOSE: This Circular advises all shipowners, operators, seafarers, agents and recognized organizations of the Commonwealth of Dominica's guidelines for determining Minimum Safe Manning requirements for vessels.**

**APPLICATION: This Notice applies to all Dominica flagged vessels.**

**REQUIREMENTS:**

**The addendum to this notice includes the guidelines employed by the Commonwealth of Dominica Maritime Administration for determining Minimum Safe Manning requirements for Dominica-flagged vessels.**

**We have provided this guideline for reference only. Final decisions for manning requirements are made by the Deputy Maritime Administrator for Maritime Affairs, and may differ from the details listed in the Addendum.**

**Addendum 1**

**COMMONWEALTH OF DOMINICA SHIP REGISTRY**

**MINIMUM SAFE MANNING REQUIREMENT FOR CERTIFICATION AS PRESCRIBED UNDER THE STCW 95 CONVENTION**

	Between 200-499 GRT Less than 3000 kW 4080 HP			Between 200-499 GRT Over 3000 kW 4080 HP			Between 500-1599 GRT Less than 3000 kW 4080 HP		Between 500-1599 GRT Over 3000 kW 4080 HP		Between 1600-9999 GRT Less than 3000 kW 4080 HP		Between 1600-9999 GRT Over 3000 kW 4080 HP		Over 10,000 GRT Over 3000 kW	
	Miles			Miles			Miles		Miles		Miles		Miles		Miles	
	>100	<100	<20	>100	<100	<20	>600	<600	>600	<600	>600	<600	>600	<600	>600	<600
Master	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Chief Mate	1			1			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Officer in Charge of Navigation Watch		1	1		1	1	1		1		1		1		2	1
Chief Engineer	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Second Engineer	1*			1	1*		1*		1	1	1*		1	1	1	1
Officer in Charge of Engineer Watch		1*	1	1*			1*	1*			1*	1*			1*	
Rating Forming Part of Nav Watch	2	1	1	2	2	1	3	2	3	2	3	3	3	3	3	2
Ordinary Seaman			1			1					1		1		2	2
Rating Forming Part of Eng Watch	2*	1*		2*	1*		2*	2*	2*	3*	2*	2*	2*	3*	2*	3*
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>

**\*The Engineer and one Engine Rating will not be required if the vessel holds a UMS operation Certificate issued by a Recognized Organization and the ship owner request.**

>100 means Unrestricted Voyages

<100 means Coastal Trade

<20 means Coastwise Trade

Watchkeeping Officer according to STCW 95, Reg. II/1 and II/3

Watchkeeping deck rating according to STCW 95, Reg. II/4

Watchkeeping engine rating according to STCW 95, Reg. III/4

Watchkeeping Engineer according to STCW 95, Reg. III/1