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**ISSUANCE OF ENDORSEMENTS TO SRILANKAN COC HOLDERS.**

1. With effect from 01<sup>st</sup> January 2015, The Director General of Merchant Shipping will issue endorsements to officers on the following categories of certificates upon fulfilling the requirements stated under No.2.

Certificate of Competency	Endorsement
Officer in Charge of Navigational Watch on ships of 500 GT or more (NWKO)	1) <i>Endorsement as Master on ships of less than 500 GT / NCV</i> 2) <i>Endorsement as Chief Mate on ships of less than 3000 GT / NCV</i>
Chief mate on ships of 500 GT or more	<i>Endorsement as Master on ships of less than 3000 GT / NCV</i>
Officer in Charge of an Engineering Watch on ships of 750 kW or more	<i>Endorsement as Second Engineer Officer limited to ships of propulsion power between 750 kW and 3000 kW / NCV</i>
Second engineer officer on ships over 750 Kw	<i>Endorsement as Chief Engineer on ships up to 3000Kw NCV</i>
Second engineer officer on ships 750-3000 Kw	<i>OOW engineer on ships over 750 kw</i>

2. Requirements to be fulfilled in order to be entitled for the above endorsements.

Endorsement	Requirements
<i>Endorsement as Master on ships of less than 500 GT / NCV</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Not less than 12 months of approved seagoing service shall be served while qualified to serve as Officer in Charge of a Navigational Watch on ships of 500 GT or more and;</li> <li>ii. Short courses as specified for the management level.</li> <li>iii. An Oral Examination.</li> </ul>
<i>Endorsement as Master on ships of less than 3000 GT / NCV</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Not less than 12 months of approved seagoing service shall be served while qualified to serve as Ch.Mate on ships of 500 GT or more ; and,</li> <li>ii. An Oral Examination.</li> </ul>
<i>Endorsement as Second Engineer Officer limited to ships of propulsion power between 750 kW and 3000 kW / NCV</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Not less than 12 months of approved seagoing service shall be served while qualified to serve as Officer in Charge of an Engineering Watch on ships of 750 kW or more and;</li> <li>ii. Short courses as specified for the management level.</li> <li>iii. An Oral Examination.</li> </ul>
<i>Endorsement as Chief Engineer on ships up to 3000Kw NCV</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Not less than 12 months of approved seagoing service shall be served while qualified to serve as second Engineer officer on ships of 750 kW or more and;</li> <li>ii. An Oral Examination.</li> </ul>

3. Existing officers will be entitled for the facility above endorsements upon fulfilling the sea time requirements specified under No 02, and completion of the oral examination.

4. Issuance of tanker endorsements to seafarers.

With effect from 01<sup>st</sup> January 2015, The Director General of Merchant Shipping will discontinue issue of tanker endorsements as per STCW chapter V Reg. V/1-1 & Reg. V/1-2 and those who fulfill the above STCW requirements will be issued with a CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY.