Summary

The purpose of this Note is to inform shipowners, seafarers and seafarers’ unions regarding approved onboard training programme and approved training record books for officer cadets leading to seafarers’ certification. This Note supersedes HKMSIN No. 102/2012.

1. Officer cadets for certification are required to meet the requirements as stipulated in the latest editions of the following determinations for obtaining their Certificate of Competency:
   
   (a) Certificates of Competency and Licences for Deck Officers’ Determinations; and
   (b) Certificates of Competency and Licences for Marine Engineer Officers and Electro-technical Officers Determinations.


2. One of the conditions as stated in the determinations requires officer cadets to complete an approved onboard training programme and is documented in an approved training record book. Onboard training programme including all the elements listed in Annex 1 for deck officer cadets, in Annex 2 for marine engineer officer cadets, or in Annex 3 for electro-technical officer cadets and the record of the training conducted in accordance with such approved programme are acceptable to the Marine Department as the approved ones. Such training record book can be one prepared by officer cadets’ companies or training institute as well as one published by maritime organizations.
3. An officer cadet with his onboard training falls short of the required training elements will be required to compensate by additional seagoing service, training courses or assessment as determined by the Department.

4. Enquiries relating to this Note should be made to the Senior Surveyor of Ships/Seafarers’ Certification on telephone no.: (852) 2852 4368; fax no.: (852) 2541 6754; or e-mail address: sscrt@mardep.gov.hk.

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