

MARINE DEPARTMENT NOTICE NO. 40/2025

(Miscellaneous Information)

Amendments to the definition of “Alternative Fuels” in the “Examination Rules for Local Certificates of Competency”, “Examination Rules for Pleasure Vessel Operator Certificate of Competency” and the “Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (Local Certificates of Competency) Rules”

This Notice serves to inform owners, coxswains, engine operators and approved training course service providers that the “Examination Rules for Local Certificates of Competency”, “Examination Rules for Pleasure Vessel Operator Certificate of Competency”, and the Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (Local Certificates of Competency) Rules (collectively as “**Rules**”), have been amended to update the definition of “Alternative Fuels”, which mean “gases or other low flash-point fuels other than conventional fuels and biofuels”.

2. The updated “**Rules**” are posted on MD’s website:

https://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/pub_services/pdf/examrules_lv.pdf

https://www.mardep.gov.hk/filemanager/en/share/pub-services/pdf/examrules_ploc.pdf

<https://www.mardep.gov.hk/filemanager/en/share/pub-services/pdf/cocrules.pdf>

3. For enquiry, please contact the River Trade and Local Examination Section (Address: 3/F Harbour Building, 38 Pier Road, Central, Hong Kong, Tel.: 2852 4368, Fax: 2541 6754, email: ssrtl@mardep.gov.hk).

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