

## دولة لببيا STATE OF LIBYA

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الى : دول الطم / دول الميداء / ملاك ومشظى ورباينة وأطقم السفن و المنظمات المعترف بها الموضوع : تمديد شهادات معايير التدريب والخفارة (STCW) والشهادات ذات الصلة

TO: flag States, port States, Ship-owners, operators, masters, crews and ROS

Subject: Further Extension of the (STCW) Certificates and associated Endorsements.

Due to the ongoing severity of COVID 19 Pandemic and the unresolved difficulties encountered by the seafarers concerning the revalidation of the STCW Certificates and also the challenges relating to repatriation of seafarers, therefore Libyan Ports & Maritime Transport Authority (LP&MTA) has decided to grant further extension of the (STCW) certificates and associated endorsements.

## Extension of STCW Certificates

STCW Certificates including Certificates of Competency (COCs), Certificates of proficiency (COPs), a Certificates of ratings, a GMDSS radio operator certificates, a certificate of safety or a certificate of marine cook which expire on/after 01 January 2022 are automatically extended until 31 March 2022.

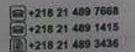
Endorsements issued by (LP&MTA) for foreign seafarers currently serving on board Libyan flagged ships with their endorsements and certificates expiring on/after 01 January 2022, their endorsements are automatically extended for a period as prescribed by the the issuing Government provided that these extensions do not exceed the date 31 March 2022

**Extension of Certificates of Medical Fitness** 

1. All Libyan seafarers who are currently ashore and intend to serve on board Libyan flagged ships on/or after 01 January 2022 are required to hold valid Certificates of Medical Fitness since the recognized Medical Centers are currently facilitating the conduction of medical examination for seafarers.

2. Seafarers who are currently serving on board Libyan flagged ships with their certificates expiring on / after 01 January 2022, (LP&MTA) has decided to grant further extension of the Certificates of Medical Fitness up to (3) months commencing from the expiry date.

3. Foreign seafarers who are currently serving on board Libyan flagged ships



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their certificates expiring on/after 01 January 2022 (LP&MTA) will refer to the instructions of their Flag Administrations concerning the extensions of Certificates of Medical Fitness provided that the extensions do not exceed (3) months.

## **Extension Seafarers' Documents**

Libyan Seafarers who are currently serving on board Libyan flagged ships whose Seaman's Books expiring on/after 01 January 2022, the validity of these documents are automatically extended until 31 March 2022.

Ship Masters are required to carry scanned copies of this Circular on board their ships and to be kept ready for presentation to Port State Officials at foreign ports

The extensions granted under this Circular do not need any approval from (LP&MTA) or any application by seafarers and do not require any issuance of new certificates.

Should you require any further assistance or information, please contact LP&MTA through the following E-mail:-

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