

# SECOND SUPPLEMENT TO THE GIBRALTAR GAZETTE

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## **GIBRALTAR MERCHANT SHIPPING (SAFETY, ETC.) ACT, 1993**

### **GIBRALTAR MERCHANT SHIPPING (MANNING, TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION FOR SEAFARERS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2025**

In exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 118 of the Gibraltar Merchant Shipping (Safety, etc.) Act, 1993, and all other enabling powers, and for the purposes of implementing into the laws of Gibraltar the amendments to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watch-keeping for Seafarers', 1978 by IMO Resolution MSC.486(103) adopted on 13 May 2021, the Government has made the following Regulations—

#### **Title.**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Gibraltar Merchant Shipping (Manning, Training and Certification for Seafarers) (Amendment) Regulations 2025.

#### **Commencement.**

2. These Regulations come into operation on the day of publication.

#### **Amendments to the Gibraltar Merchant Shipping (Manning, Training and Certification for Seafarers) Regulations 2006.**

3. The Gibraltar Merchant Shipping (Manning, Training and Certification for Seafarers) Regulations 2006 (“the Principal Regulations”) are amended in accordance with regulations 4 to 7.

#### **Amendments to regulation 2.**

4. In regulation 2 of the Principal Regulations—

(a) in the definition of “level”, substitute paragraph (b) with-

“(b) operational level for the capacity of watchkeeping officers (navigational and engineering), designated duty engineers for periodically unmanned machinery spaces, electro-technical officers or radio operators, other than those at management level;”;

(b) after the definition of “oil tanker” insert-

““original form” means any certificate, or other document issued under these Regulations by the Administration –

- (a) in hard copy; or
- (b) by electronic means,

and in the format approved by the Administration;”.

**Amendments to regulation 13A.**

5. In regulation 13A of the Principal Regulations-

- (a) omit subregulation (15);
- (b) in subregulation (19), substitute “in original form” for “by electronic means”.

**Insertion of regulation 33A.**

6. Insert after regulation 33 of the Principal Regulations-

**“Availability of certificates and other documents.**

33A.(1) Subject to regulation 30, a certificate or other document issued by the Administration under these Regulations must be readily available, in original form, for examination at all times on board the ship on which the holder is serving in order to verify whether that certificate or document is valid.

(2) A certificate or other document in original form must contain the minimum information required under paragraph 4 of section A-I/2 of the STCW Code.”.

**Amendment to regulation 42A.**

7. In regulation 42A, substitute subregulations (5) and (6) with the following-

“(5) The Gibraltar flag state endorsement must–

- (a) follow the STCW template; and
- (b) be signed and stamped in original form.

(6) The endorsement must be accessible by any means so as to verify the authenticity and validity of this document in original form.”.

Dated: 9<sup>th</sup> January 2025

G ARIAS-VASQUEZ  
Minister with responsibility for the Port and Shipping,  
For the Government.

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**EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

These Regulations amend the Gibraltar Merchant Shipping (Manning, Training and Certification for Seafarers) Regulations 2006 in order to implement Resolution MSC.486(103) of the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watch-keeping for Seafarers', 1978.