

## Marine Notice No. 19 of 2016

Notice to all Maritime Administrations (STCW I/10), International Maritime Organization, Port State Control Memoranda, Shipowners, Ship operators, Seafarers, Training Providers

## Fraudulent Seafarer Certificates

## **IMO Seafarer Certification**

The Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport wishes to advise that it has become aware of a small number of possible fraudulent Irish seafarer certificates, and an associated fraudulent website, which purports to verify such fraudulently issued seafarer certification. The Department wishes to advise that Irish seafarer certification is only issued by the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport and that all Irish certificates are to be verified at the following address:

Mercantile Marine Office,
Irish Maritime Administration,
Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport,
Leeson Lane,
Dublin 2,
DO2 TR60,
Ireland.

e-mail: <u>stcw@dttas.ie</u> tel: +353 1 6783480

In addition, Ireland has agreements under the IMO STCW Convention and EU legislation as set out in <u>Marine Notice No. 6 of 2011</u> - Administrations with whom Ireland has entered into Agreements for the Recognition of Certificates of Competency for Merchant Ships.

Maritime Administrations, companies and seafarers seeking to verify Irish seafarer certification should only do so with the Irish Maritime Administration directly as above.

Irish Maritime Administration, Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport, Leeson Lane, Dublin 2, DO2 TR60, Ireland.

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