



**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS, MARINE AND  
NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Marine Notice No. 12 of 2004**

*NOTICE TO ALL SHIPOWNERS, FISHING VESSEL OWNERS, AGENTS, SHIPMASTERS,  
SKIPPERs, FISHERMEN, YACHT CLUBS, YACHT MARINAS, YACHTSMEN,  
SEAFARERS, MARINE CONSULTANTS, RADIO OPERATOR TRAINING COURSE  
PROVIDERS, RADIO EXAMINERS, IRISH SAILING ASSOCIATION.*

**Radio Operator's Short Range Certificate of Competency**

Radio Operators on board Irish recreational craft, and on board certain other Irish craft that are required to comply with Merchant Shipping legislation regarding the carriage of maritime radio equipment, must hold as a minimum qualification the Radio Operator's Short Range Certificate of Competency (SRC) issued by the Commission for Communications Regulation, or an equivalent certificate that is recognised by the Commission as being the equivalent of the Irish SRC. Irish certificates are issued following successful completion of an examination conducted in accordance with the ECC/CEPT Harmonized Examination Procedures.

A holder of a certificate issued by another Administration may not operate maritime radio equipment on board an Irish craft unless the Commission has issued him/her with an Irish "Authority to Operate" for the certificate.

The Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources has decided that in addition to Irish Certificates that, as and from the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2004, "Authorities to Operate" will only be issued in respect of Short Range Radio Operator's Certificates of Competency that have been awarded by Finland and Germany.

Persons wishing to obtain maritime radio operator qualifications to operate radio installations on board small Irish vessels should be aware that there is a comprehensive list of Irish Course Providers available on the department's website <http://www.dcmnr.gov.ie/display.asp/pg=466>, as well as a comprehensive list of the radio examiners, throughout the country.

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For information in relation to technical specification/type approval of radio equipment contact the Radio Surveyors +353 1 678 2363/2364/2365/2367.

For general enquiries please contact the Maritime Safety Division at +353-1-678 2360

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