

# MINIMUM SAFE MANNING FOR FISHING VESSELS (NMA\_C1-2.2018.Rev.0)

### **PURPOSE:**

To provide the minimum safe manning requirements for Fishing Vessels.

## **REFERENCE:**

- a) Shipping (Registration of Foreign Vessels) Act 2018 of Nauru
- b) Shipping Procedure NMA\_P6 Procedures for Certificates of Endorsement (COE)
- c) International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Fishing Vessel Personnel, 1995 (STCW-F)

### **INTRODUCTION:**

- 1) Nauru is a party to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Fishing Vessel Personnel, 1995 (STCW-F) and is required to comply with the provisions of the convention.
- 2) The STCW-F stipulates the certification and minimum training requirements for personnel of seagoing fishing vessels of 24 metres in length and above. It establishes basic requirements on training, certification and watchkeeping for fishing vessel personnel on an international level and prescribes minimum standards relating to training, certification and watchkeeping for fishing vessel personnel, which member States are obliged to comply with.
- 3) Fishing vessels registered with Nauru shall be manned by fishing vessel personnel certificated in accordance with the STCW-F and according to our minimum safe manning requirements.
- 4) All fishing vessels shall carry a Minimum Safe Manning Certificate issued by the Nauru Maritime Administration (NMA). The minimum safe manning of a fishing vessel is a function of the number of qualified and experienced fishing vessel personnel necessary for the safety and security of the vessel, personnel, catch, property, and protection of the marine environment, and may be decided by the length of vessel, power of propulsion units, trading area, and applicable work and rest hours.
- 5) The following tables (Part A and Part B) show NMA's minimum safe manning requirements for fishing vessels and NMA may grant reductions in the manning requirements where the proposed reductions have been reviewed and approved.

Length		Minimum qualified Deck Officers & Ratings		
		Skipper	OOW	Deck Ratings
24 metres & over	Unlimited	1(a)	1(b)	2(e)
	Limited	1(c)	1(d)	2(e)
Less than 24 metres	Unlimited	1(a)	1(b)	1(e)
	Limited	1(c)	1(d)	1(e)

# PART A - DECK OFFICERS AND RATINGS

### Legend for PART A:

OOW - Officer of the Watch (Navigation) Deck Ratings - Deck Watch Ratings

#### Certificate of Competency (COC):

- (a) COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 1 (Skipper on fishing vessels over 24 metres for unlimited voyages)
- (b) COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 2 (Officer in charge on fishing vessels over 24 metres for unlimited voyages)
- (c) COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 3 (Skipper on fishing vessels over 24 metres for limited voyages)
- (d) COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 4 (Officer in charge on fishing vessels over 24 metres for limited voyages)
- (e) Certification of Ratings forming part of a navigational watch under STCW-F Chapter IV Regulation 1

### PART B - ENGINEER OFFICERS AND RATINGS

	Minimum qualified Engineer Officers & Ratings		
Propulsion Power	Chief Engineer	Second Engineer	Engine Ratings
	Officer	Officer	
750 KW or more	1(a)	1(b)	2(c)
Less than 750 KW	1(a)	1(b)	1(c)

#### Legend for PART B:

Engine Ratings - Engine Room Watch Ratings

#### Certificate of Competency (COC):

- (a) COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 5 (Chief Engineer Officer on fishing vessels of 750 KW or more)
- (b) COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 5 (Second Engineer Officer on fishing vessels of 750 KW or more)
- (c) Engine Ratings forming part of an engineering watch

### Part C - MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION OF RADIO PERSONNELS

Sea Areas A1 & A2	At least 1 officer with GMDSS COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 6
Sea Areas A3 & A4	At least 2 officers with GMDSS COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 6

## Part D – CERTIFICATE OF ENDORSEMENT (COE)

All officers are required to be issued with a Certificate of Endorsement (COE) by NMA unless specifically exempted. Ratings are not required to apply for COE.

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