



Technical Circular

No.: 055/2020

Date: 17th April 2020

Subject: Maldives Marine Circular No: INT-2020/001 Reg Extension of Expiry dates of CoC and Trading Certificates due to COVID-19 outbreak

1. Maldives Maritime Administration has issued Circular No. INT-2020/001 providing instructions with regards to extension of expiry dates of Seafarers Certificates and trading certificates issued to Maldivian flagged vessels as outlined below due to outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic.

a. Extension of the validity of Seafarers Certification:

- i. Certificate of Competency (CoCs) expiring on or after 01st March 2020 will be extended for **six (6) months** from the date of expiry of the certificate on seafarer's application.
- ii. Mandatory short courses required for the revalidation of CoC will also be **extended for six (6) months** on seafarer's application.
- iii. Medical Fitness certificates expiring on or after 01st March 2020 are extended **until 30th June 2020**.

b. Extension of the validity of Trading Certificates:

- i. Trading certificates issued to Maldivian flagged vessels expiring on or after 01st March 2020 are extended **until 30th June 2020**.

c. Extension of Port Facility Permits:

- i. Port Facility Permits expiring on or after 01st March 2020 are extended **until 30th June 2020**.

2. Ship owners/ operators and masters of Maldivian flagged ships are advised to be guided by above.

Enclosure: Maldives Marine Circular No: INT-2020/001, dated 30 March 2020.



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MALDIVES TRANSPORT AUTHORITY

Government of the Republic of Maldives

MARINE CIRCULAR

Marine Circular No: **INT-2020/001**

Date: **30th March 2020**

To:	Ship-owners, Operators, Charterers, Shipping agents & Seafarers
Subject:	Extension of Expiry dates of CoC and trading certificates issued to Maldivian flag Vessels
Reference :	IMO Circular Letter no. 4204/Add.5 (17-03-2020) & Maldives Transport Authority Announcement NO: (IUL)202-M/1/2020/40 (30-03-2020)

In light of the current control measures put in place by the government of the Maldives on 12th March 2020 under the Public Health Emergency Law to prevent the spread of Covid-19 and following the guidelines of IMO Circular Letter no. 4204/Add.5 dated 17 March 2020, Shipowners, Operators, Charterers, Shipping agents, Seafarers and all concerned parties are hereby notified of the following:

- Certificate of Competencies expiring on or after 01st March 2020 may apply for an extension of 6 months from the date of expiry of the certificate. Seafarers applying from overseas may apply for extension through our email: maritime@transport.gov.mv.
- Mandatory short courses required for the revalidation of CoC will also be extended for 6 months by application and can be made via our email: maritime@transport.gov.mv.
- Medical Fitness Certificates expiring on or after 01st March 2020 are hereby extended until 30th June 2020.
- Trading certificates issued to Maldivian flag vessels expiring on or after 01st March 2020 are hereby extended until 30th June 2020.
- Port Facility Permits expiring on or after 01st March 2020 are hereby extended until 30th June 2020.

