



Technical Circular

No.: 042/2021

Date: 02nd August 2021

Subject: DGS, Order No. 27 of 2021 Reg Extension of the validity of Recruitment & Placement of Seafarers License (RPSL) and Inspection of RPSL in view of COVID-19 outbreak.

1. In consideration of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Directorate General of Shipping, GOI vide DGS Order No. 27 of 2021 has further extended the date of validity of the Recruitment & Placement of Seafarers License (RPSL) **expiring between 01st August 2021 to 31st October 2021 (both days inclusive) up to 31st December 2021** for the purpose of undertaking Annual, Renewal Inspection of RPSL subject to the validity of the Bank Guarantee of RPSL.
2. The above is for your information.
3. **This Technical Circular supersedes and revokes earlier Technical Circular No. 027/2021, dated 17 May 2021**

Enclosure:

1. DGS Order No. 27 of 2021, dated 26 July 2021.



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DGS Order No. 27 of 2021

Subject: Extension of the validity of Recruitment & Placement of Seafarers License (RPSL) and Audit of RPSL in view of COVID 19 outbreak – Reg.

Whereas the Directorate vide DGS Order No. 15 of 2020 dated 09.06.2020 and DGS Order No. 19 of 2020 dated 13.07.2020 had extended that date of validity of RPSL expiring between 23.03.2020 to 31.08.2020 up-till 30.09.2020 for the purpose of undertaking annual/renewal audit of RPSL.

2. And whereas, requests from the RPSL have been considered on case to case basis up to 31.03.2021.

3. And whereas, considering the second wave of COVID-19 pandemic, the Directorate vide DGS Order No. 20 of 2021 dated 11.05.2021 once again extended the validity of RPSL expiring between 01.04.2021 and 31.07.2021 (both days inclusive) up to 30.09.2021 for the purpose of undertaking annual / renewal audit of RPSL.

4. And whereas, representation have been received from the industry requesting for further extension in the light of on-going Pandemic, Second Wave not yet over, the threat of Third Wave and with lock-down conditions still prevailing across the nation.

5. Now therefore, the validity of the RPSL expiring between 01.08.2021 and 31.10.2021 (both days inclusive) is extended up to 31.12.2021 for the purpose of undertaking annual/renewal audit of RPSL subject to the validity of the Bank Guarantee of RPSL.

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