



REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS  
**SHIPPING DEPUTY MINISTRY TO THE PRESIDENT**

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To all Registered Owners, Registered Bareboat Charterers,  
Managers and Representatives of Ships flying the Cyprus Flag

To all holders of certificates of competency, certificates of proficiency and  
documentary evidences issued by Shipping Deputy Ministry

**Subject: Urgent Provisional Measures for the operation of Cyprus ships during Covid-19**

I refer to the above subject and further to our Circular No.21/2021, I hereby inform you that due to the fact that the coronavirus outbreak still constitutes a public health emergency that prevents the normal operation of our office, proof of applications for Cyprus endorsements attesting the recognition of National certificates of competency issued or to be issued by the Republic of Cyprus between 01/05/2021 and 30/08/2021, shall be valid for a period of five months.

The Shipping Deputy Ministry will be at the disposal of all Registered Owners, Registered Bareboat Charterers, Managers and Representatives of Ships flying the Cyprus Flag as well as other interested parties for any explanations and clarifications they may require

**This Circular must be placed on board vessels flying the Cyprus flag.**

Dr. Neophytos Papadopoulos  
Permanent Secretary  
Shipping Deputy Ministry



cc:

- Maritime Offices of the Shipping Deputy Ministry abroad
- Inspectors of Cyprus Ships
- Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Diplomatic Missions and Honorary Consular Offices of the Republic
- Cyprus Shipping Chamber
- Cyprus Union of Ship-owners
- Cyprus Master Mariners Association
- Association of Merchant Marine Officers
- Recognised maritime training schools
- Trade Union SEK
- Trade Union PEO
- Cyprus Bar Association