

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 72

TO : ALL OWNERS/OPERATORS OF INTERISLAND PASSENGER/CARGO VESSELS OF 250 GRT AND ABOVE.

SUBJECT : GUIDELINES ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AT LEAST 10-MINUTE FILM ON THE SAFETY FEATURES OF EACH SPECIFIC PASSENGER/PASSENGER-CARGO VESSELS.

Pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order Nos. 125 and 125-A and the Public Service Act, the following guidelines are hereby prescribed to implement the required film-showing of (at least) Ten (10) minutes pertaining to the vessel's safety, health, and sanitation, to be shown on each passenger/passenger-cargo vessel of 250 GRT and above, which was approved by the MARINA Board during its 100th Regular Meeting held on 12 July 1991.

Section 1. OBJECTIVES. The 10-Minute Film on the safety/health/sanitation of the vessel is geared towards the attainment of the following objectives.

- 1.1 To ensure preparedness and alertness of passengers in case of maritime emergencies/accidents, so as to minimize if not prevent casualties.
- 1.2 To maintain and promote health and sanitation on-board the vessel.

Section 2. COVERAGE. Compliance with this Circular shall be mandatory for all passenger/passenger-cargo vessels of 250 GRT and above.

Section 3. CONTENTS OF THE FILM. The film shall be primarily in local dialects in the ports of origin and destination of the vessel, and in English and Pilipino and shall contain features on the vessel's safety, health and sanitation, more particularly described as follows:

- 3.1 General Information:
 - 3.1.1 Names/Number of the vessel's officer and crew
 - 3.1.2 Speed/Routes/Expected Time of Arrival (ETA)
 - 3.1.3 Amenities/Services offered on-board
- 3.2 Safety Features

- 3.2.1 Location and use of exits, lifejackets, lifeboats, fire extinguishers
- 3.2.2 Do's and don't's during emergency situations and other precautionary measures.
- 3.2.3 Abandon ship procedure/drills
- 3.2.4 Proper storage of dangerous or inflammable goods.
- 3.3 Health/Sanitation Features
 - 3.3.1 Location of comfort rooms, mess halls, medical room
 - 3.3.2 Garbage/waste disposal
- 3.4 Miscellaneous Features
 - 3.4.1 The company may include commercial ads at the end of the film which should not exceed five (5) minutes.

Section 4. PLACE AND TIME OF EXHIBITION.

- 4.1 The installation of at least one TV screen in the mess hall/cafeteria, lobby/lounge, and economy class passengers' area, where the approved film must be shown shall be compulsory.
- 4.2 The film must be shown at the time provided hereunder:
 - 4.2.1 Mess Hall/Cafeteria – the film-showing to coincide with every batch of passenger who will take their meals.
 - 4.2.2 Lobby/lounge and passenger deck area – immediately upon the vessel's departure and once every three hours thereafter between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Section 5. IMPLEMENTING/MONITORING OFFICE

The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) shall approve the contents of the ten (10) – minute film feature.

The Philippine Coast Guard (PCG), and National Quarantine Office (NQO), in coordination with MARINA, shall monitor compliance with this circular.

Section 6. PENALTIES AND SANCTIONS

6.1 The MARINA shall include the 10-minute film feature as a prerequisites to the issuance, renewal or extension of the Certificates of Public Convenience (CPC), Provisional Authority (PA), Special Permit (SP).

6.2 All vessels covered by these Guidelines shall have three (3) months from effectivity to comply.

6.3 Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Memorandum Circular shall be subject to the following penalties and sanctions:

6.3.1 Violation of Section IV.1

First Offense - Fine of ten thousand (P10,000) Pesos

Second Offense - Fine of twenty thousand (P20,000) Pesos

Third and Succeeding
Offense - Fine of twenty five thousand (P25,000)
Pesos

6.3.2 Violation of Section IV.2

First Offense - Fine of two thousand (P2,000) Pesos

Second Offense - Fine of four thousand (P4,000) Pesos

Third and Succeeding
Offense - Fine of double the amount last paid but
not to exceed twenty five thousand
(P25,000) Pesos.

Section 8. EFFECTIVITY

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication once in a newspaper of general circulation.

10 December 1992, at Manila, Philippines.

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Administrator

This is to certify that the Memorandum Circular No. 72 has been approved in the meeting of the Maritime Industry Board held on 10 December 1992.

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