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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY

MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY (MARINA)

2025 ANNUAL REGULATORY PLAN



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ANNUAL REGULATORY PLAN SUMMARY

AGENCY NAME:	MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY (MARINA)
SECTORS REGULATED	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Domestic Shipping• Overseas Shipping• Ship Building and Ship Repair Sector• Manpower Development Sector
AGENCY MANDATES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presidential Decree No. 474• Executive Order No. 546• Executive Order No. 1011• Republic Act No. 9295• Executive Order No. 75• Republic Act No. 10635• Executive Order No. 63 <p><i>*For the full narratives of the Agency's mandates, please refer to this link: https://marina.gov.ph/about/</i></p>
SERVICE UNITS RESPONSIBLE FOR CRAFTING POLICIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Domestic Shipping Service (DSS)B. Management, Financial and Administrative Service (MFAS)C. Manpower Development Service (MDS)D. Maritime Safety Service (MSS)E. Shipyards Regulation Service (SRS)

A. DOMESTIC SHIPPING SERVICE

SECTOR	LEGAL BASIS	ROLE / RESPONSIBILITY OF THE REGULATING AGENCY TO THE REGULATED SECTOR
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Domestic Shipping Sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PD 474• RA 11659• MARINA MC DS-2019-02• MARINA MC DS-2021-01	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To ensure regulatory alignment in amending conflicting provisions to fully align with RA11659 by Q3 of 2025, ensuring clear guidelines on foreign ownership, market entry, and competition• To reduce the processing time for Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) applications by at least 30% within one year of implementation by simplifying documentary requirements and digitizing submission processes <p><i>Note: For regulation No. 1</i></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Domestic Shipping Sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PD 474• RA 9295	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To provide an innovative platform for a much favorable investment climate in support of the country's commitments towards economic integration, trade facilitation, seamless movement of



		<p>people, cargoes and services;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To prescribe rules and regulations to increase the flexibility and competitiveness of qualified Philippine-registered ships to engage both in the domestic and overseas shipping; • To generate employment opportunities, increase government revenues, and to lessen high transport and logistic cost; • To facilitate ease of doing business; and, • To raise the operational level of Philippine-registered ships. <p><i>Note: For regulation No. 2</i></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic Shipping Sector 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PD 474 • RA 9295 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To expand the online ticketing system among passenger ships and ports. • To address congestion and long queues in ticketing booths during peak season or influx of passengers. • To improve the current online ticketing system to include terminal fees and grant discounts in its freight charges or tickets to avoid long lines during check-in • To promote an e-ticketing system to passenger ships and ports capable of adopting digitization, providing commuters with a more convenient e-ticketing system. <p><i>Note: For regulation No. 3</i></p>

B. MANAGEMENT, FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE (MFAS)

SECTOR	LEGAL BASIS	ROLE / RESPONSIBILITY OF THE REGULATING AGENCY TO THE REGULATED SECTOR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Management, Financial and Administrative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARINA MC No. 2015-05 • MARINA MC No. 2017-01 • MARINA MC No. SC-2021-07 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To rationalize the rates of fees and charges being imposed and collected by the Agency and set a balance between recovering the cost of services and the ease of doing business in compliance with RA No. 11032, otherwise known as the Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery (EODB EGSD) Act of 2018; • To streamline all reference materials related to fees and charges into a single, cohesive policy document. • To remove obsolete applications and ensure that all fees align with the current operational needs and cost structures of the Agency. • To regularly update the agency's fee structure to maintain relevance and ensure that charges remain



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		<p>fair and responsive to both the Agency's needs and stakeholder expectations.</p> <p><i>Note: For regulation No. 4</i></p>
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C. MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT SERVICE (MDS)

SECTOR	LEGAL BASIS	ROLE / RESPONSIBILITY OF THE REGULATING AGENCY TO THE REGULATED SECTOR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manpower Development Sector 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Memorandum Circular No. 2012-04 Memorandum Circular No. MD-2020-04 Memorandum Circular No. MD-2023-01 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To increase the number of qualified Officers onboard ships of more than 500 gross tonnage (GT) operating in Philippine waters by 20% annually. To ensure a sufficient pool of Officers for the domestic trade by the year 2030 <p><i>Note: For regulation No. 5</i></p>

D. MARITIME SAFETY SERVICE (MSS) (MSS)

SECTOR	LEGAL BASIS	ROLE / RESPONSIBILITY OF THE REGULATING AGENCY TO THE REGULATED SECTOR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manpower Development Sector 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide guidelines in the adoption of the requirements of the Code of Safe Practice for Cargo Stowage and Securing (CSS) on board PRVs by start of CY 2026. To ensure that PRVs are equipped with proper cargo securing arrangements for the types of cargoes carried and providing penalties therefore for non-compliance. To provide a basis for action by Flag State Officers of the Administration relative to non-compliance to the CSS Code and the ships' approved Cargo Securing Manual as part of the safety requirements for ships covered under the proposed regulations. <p><i>Note: For regulation No. 6</i></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Philippine Merchant Marine Rules and Regulations (PMMRR'97), Chapter VII Philippine Ship Safety Rules and Regulations (PSSRR): Part A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide updated rules, requirements, and guidelines on fire protection, detection, extinguishing, and alarm system on board Philippine Registered Ships. To minimize the risks and impact of fire incidents on ships, protecting the passengers, crew, and cargo on board Philippine Registered Ships. <p><i>Note: For regulation No. 7</i></p>



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D. SHIPYARDS REGULATION SERVICE (SRS)

SECTOR	LEGAL BASIS	ROLE / RESPONSIBILITY OF THE REGULATING AGENCY TO THE REGULATED SECTOR
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ship Building and Ship Repair Sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PD 474• MARINA MC No. 2015-07	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To streamline the ship plan approval process to ensure it is efficient, transparent, and aligned with international safety standards, thereby reducing delays and fostering stakeholder confidence in the maritime sector. <p><i>Note: For regulation No. 8</i></p>



SUMMARY OF REGULATORY ACTIONS PLANNED FOR 2025

No.	Regulation	Regulation Owner
1	Revision of MC No. DS 2021-01 - Policy on the Grant of Missionary Route Status for RORO Passenger Ships	Domestic Shipping Service (DSS)
2	Rules and Regulations on the Grant of Operational Flexibility to Philippine-Registered Ships	
3	Policy on the Mandatory Online Ticketing System for Major Routes	
4	Revision of MARINA's Fees and Charges	Management, Financial and Administrative Service (MFAS)
5	Policies, Standards and Guidelines for the Issuance, Revocation and Reissuance of Domestic Certificate of Competency (D-COC) for Officers and Domestic Certificate of Proficiency (D-COP) for Ratings onboard ships operating in Philippine waters	Manpower Development Service (MDS)
6	Implementation of Cargo Securing and Stowage for Philippine Registered Vessels (PRVs) in International Voyage	Maritime Safety Service (MSS)
7	Revised Rules on Fire Protection, Detection, Extinguishing and Alarm Systems on Board Philippine Registered Ships Operating in Domestic Waters	
8	Revised Rules and Regulations for Plans Approval & Survey of Existing, New Construction, Conversion, Alteration, Modification, Rebuilding of Philippine-registered Ships	Shipyards Regulations Service (SRS)

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