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MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY

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TO : ALL ASSESSMENT CENTERS (ACs) FOR SUPPORT LEVEL

SUBJECT : IMPLEMENTATION OF THE REVISED PRACTICAL ASSESSMENT SCENARIOS FOR SUPPORT LEVEL

Pursuant to Memorandum Circular Nos. SC-2023-03 and SC-2023-04 on the Revised Mandatory Requirements for the Assessment of Competence and Certification under the relevant provisions of Chapters II and III of the STCW Convention, 1978, as amended, and in view of the continual improvement on the assessment of competence of seafarers, notice is hereby given that effective **01 September 2026** the conduct of practical assessment for Support Level certification shall be in accordance with the revised practical assessment scenarios for the following capacities:

- A. Ratings Forming Part of a Navigational Watch (RFPNW);
- B. Ratings as Able Seafarer Deck (RASD);
- C. Ratings Forming Part of an Engineering Watch (RFPEW) in a manned engine-room or designated to perform duties in a periodically unmanned engine-room;
- D. Ratings as Able Seafarer Engine (RASE); and
- E. Electro-Technical Ratings (ETR)

All existing Assessment Centers (ACs) authorized to conduct practical assessments for the abovementioned capacities, as well as entities applying for such authority, shall be provided by the Board of Deck Ratings (BODRA) and the Board of Engine Ratings (BOERA) with copies of the revised practical assessment scenarios, including the corresponding equipment checklists.

All concerned Assessment Centers (ACs) are hereby directed to conduct test runs of all scenarios using the prescribed Practical Assessment Validation Form and to submit the duly accomplished forms, together with the objective evidence, at least one (1) week before the conduct of the on-site inspection. This ensures sufficient time for review and readiness before conducting inspection activities

Further, in the conduct of practical assessments utilizing laboratory equipment or simulators, a one-to-one (1:1) candidate-to-equipment ratio shall be strictly observed. The prescribed assessor-to-candidate ratio is attached hereto as **Annex "A."**

Assessment Centers that fail to comply with the foregoing requirements by the prescribed implementation date shall be subject to the suspension of the conduct of assessment for the affected capacity/ies, until such time that full compliance has been verified and duly approved by this Authority.

For strict compliance.


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Assessor-Candidate Ratio

Capacity	Scenario	Full Mission Bridge Simulator	Full Mission Engine Simulator	ERS (Engine)	Mini Bridges (Deck)	Laboratory Equipment
RFPNW	Scenario 1	1:1			1:1	
	Scenario 2	1:1				
	Scenario 3	1:1				
	Scenario 4	1:1			1:1	1:1
RASD	Scenario 1	1:1				
	Scenario 2					1:3
	Scenario 3					1:3
	Scenario 4					1:3
	Scenario 5					1:1
	Scenario 6					1:1
	Scenario 7					1:1
RFPEW	Scenario 1			1:15		
	Scenario 2					1:1
RASE	Scenario 1			1:12		
	Scenario 2					1:4
	Scenario 3					1:4
	Scenario 4					1:4
	Scenario 5					1:4
	Scenario 6					1:4
ETR	Scenario 1			1:12		
	Scenario 2					1:4
	Scenario 3					1:4
	Scenario 4					1:4
	Scenario 5					1:4