



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY

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**TO :** ALL SEAFARERS, SHIPPING COMPANIES, MANNING AGENCIES AND ALL OTHER CONCERNED ENTITIES

**SUBJECT :** CLARIFICATORY GUIDELINES RELATING TO PENALTIES IMPOSED ON SEAFARERS FOR VIOLATIONS OF MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. MD-2024-01

In the interest of the service and to ensure the fair and consistent implementation of Memorandum Circular No. MD-2024-01<sup>1</sup>, the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) hereby issues this guideline relative to the imposition of penalties on seafarers serving onboard ships with expired Seafarer's Identification and Record Books (SIRB), Seafarer's Record Books (SRB) and/or Seafarer's Identity Documents (SID):

**A. Cases where penalties SHALL NOT be imposed**

The administrative fines and penalties for serving onboard without a valid SID shall not apply to seafarers who possess any of the following:

1. A valid SIRB and valid SRB, notwithstanding the expiration of the SID;
2. Both a valid SID and valid SIRB, with or without a valid SRB; or
3. An expired SID but with a valid SIRB.

**B. Cases where penalties SHALL apply**

The administrative fines and penalties shall apply to seafarers onboard ships plying international waters who possess any of the following:

1. An expired SIRB and expired SID, even if with valid SRB;
2. An expired SID without SIRB; or
3. SRB only.

This Advisory shall not be construed as amending or repealing the provision of Memorandum Circular No. MD-2024-01, but merely clarifies its implementation.

Moreover, the MARINA shall continue the implementation of Memorandum Circular No. GC-2026-02<sup>2</sup>.

For information and guidance of all concerned.

  
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<sup>1</sup> The 2023 Policies, Standards and Guidelines for the Issuance, Revocation and Reissuance of Seafarer's Record Book (SRB) and Seafarer's Identity Document (SID)

<sup>2</sup> Revised Schedule of Administrative Fines and Penalties for Violation of MARINA Rules and Regulations