

INFORMATION BULLETIN No. 263

Maritime Labour Convention 2006 as amended (MLC) Financial Security Requirements ADDENDUM

Application: All ship-owners, operators, masters and officers of merchant ships

Compliance & Certification

1. In recognition of the need for a transitional period to issue or renew ML Certificates and their contingent DMLCs, as required by the amendments, the ILO has issued a resolution requesting Member States to acknowledge that entry into force of the amendments should not invalidate any existing Maritime Labour certificates and DMLCs previously issued.
2. Barbados Maritime administration concurs with and accepts the recommendations by ILO for the transitional period referred to above and requires owners/managers/operators holding valid MLCs and DMLCs to have them renewed no later than the date of the first renewal inspection following entry into force of the amendments.
3. We recommend that ship-owners keep a copy of this bulletin on board as a means of notification to PSC authorities of the ILO transitional measures accepted by Barbados Maritime administration, namely that **all existing valid MLCs and DMLCs on Barbados registered vessels shall remain valid until the first renewal inspection following the entry into force of the amendments.**
4. The transitional measures accepted above relate only to the certification requirements for the MLC and DMLCs, and do not affect the rights and obligations of the seafarers and ship-owners respectively regarding the financial security requirements under the amendments from the date of entry into force.
5. Barbados Administration recommends that ship-owners commence application for a new DMLC Part 1 from the Ships' Registry, thereafter submitting the updated DMLC Part 11 (prior to 18 January 2017, being the date of entry into force), displaying the measures adopted to ensure ongoing compliance. The updated DMLC Part II may be presented to the relevant RO, whether this be a Barbados Nautical Inspector or authorised Class Society.
6. The application for DMLC Part 1 may be downloaded from the website in our Forms section (Form No.143) at www.barbadosmaritime.org

7. DMLC Part 1 – all vessels holding an existing DMLC Part 1 may apply to be reissued with the revised DMLC Part 1 (electronic format only) without charge, by submitting a new application form for DMLC Part 1.
8. We recommend that the updated DMLCs be appended to the existing MLC as evidence of ongoing compliance, as MLCs will only be reissued at the vessel's next renewal survey.

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