



**REPUBLIC OF  
THE MARSHALL ISLANDS**

**MARITIME ADMINISTRATOR**

**Marine Notice**

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**TO: ALL SHIPOWNERS, OPERATORS, MASTERS AND OFFICERS OF MERCHANT SHIPS, AND RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS**

**SUBJECT: Familiarization with Marshall Islands National Maritime Legislation**

- References:**
- (a) **STCW Convention**, *International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers*, 2017 Edition
  - (b) **STCW Code**, *Seafarers’ Training, Certification and Watchkeeping Code*, 2017 Edition
  - (c) **ISPS Code**, *International Ship and Port Facility Security Code, as amended*
  - (d) **IMO Resolution [A.1079\(28\)](#)**, *Recommendations for the Training and Certification of Personnel on Mobile Offshore Units (MOUs)*, adopted 4 December 2013
  - (e) **RMI Maritime Act 1990 ([MI-107](#))**
  - (f) **RMI Maritime Regulations ([MI-108](#))**
  - (g) **RMI Requirements for Seafarer Certification ([MI-118](#))**
  - (h) **RMI Familiarization with National Maritime Legislation ([MI-105A](#))**

**PURPOSE**

This Notice contains the updated requirements for seafarers’ familiarization with Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) National Maritime Legislation to ensure the safe and effective ship operations and marine environment protection. This is required by STCW, Regulation I/10 and the MI-108, and is known as MI-105A. This Notice supersedes Rev. Jul/2021, hyperlinking the most recent version of the MI-105A.

**APPLICABILITY**

This notice applies to any seafarer holding, or applying for, a management level Officer Certificate (STCW, Regulation I/10) as shown below:

Masters	Intending to sail on ships of 500 gross tonnage or more
Chief Mates	
Chief Engineers	Intending to sail on ships powered by main propulsion machinery of 750 kW or more
First Assistant Engineers	

This notice also applies to the Offshore Installation Manager on Mobile Offshore Units (MOUs)

according to IMO Resolution A.1079(28), paragraph 6.2.2.

## **REQUIREMENTS**

- 1.0 To be eligible for an equivalent RMI Certificate, a person:
  - .1 must hold a valid certificate issued by a State that fully applies the provisions of the STCW, as amended;
  - .2 they must not otherwise be disqualified in the opinion of the RMI Maritime Administrator; and
  - .3 they must become familiar with relevant RMI National Maritime Legislation.
  - .4 This requirement is also found in IMO Resolution [A.1079\(28\)](#), as a condition for issuing a Certificate of Competence (CoC) as an Offshore Installation Manager serving on MOUs.
  
- 2.0 The RMI [MI-105A](#), *Familiarization with National Maritime Legislation*, is available for review online, and after submitting an application for endorsement of a national CoC, it is expected the applicant will review it to ensure that they become familiar with the RMI National Maritime Legislation relevant to the functions to be performed by the applicant for which they have applied to be certificated.