

# Republic of the Marshall Islands

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### MARINE SAFETY ADVISORY No. 26-16

**To: Owners/Operators, Masters, Nautical Inspectors, Recognized Organizations**

**Subject: APPLICABILITY OF THE MANILA AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING, CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR SEAFARERS, 1978 (STCW) TO MARSHALL ISLANDS MINIMUM SAFE MANNING CERTIFICATES**

**Date: 29 September 2016 (renewed 29 September 2023)**

Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Minimum Safe Manning Certificates (MSMCs) issued prior to 01 January 2017 that reference STCW Regulation II/4 and those that reference STCW Regulation II/4 or II/5 as an Able Seafarer requirement will remain valid, noting that it should be read as reflecting the following amendment:

GRADE/CAPACITY	CERTIFICATE (STCW REGULATIONS)
Able Seafarer Deck	II/5

The re-issuance of an MSMC issued before 01 January 2017 is optional.

A copy of this Marine Safety Advisory must be kept onboard the vessel with the MSMC for verification purposes until such time as an optional new MSMC is requested and issued.

This MSA is evaluated annually by the Administrator and expires one year after its issuance or renewal unless otherwise noted, superseded, or revoked.