

BOARD OF MARINE DECK OFFICERS

PRC RESOLUTION NO. 65 SERIES OF 2012, May 21, 2012

Read online (full-text search, related cases, audio case brief): <https://batas.org/library/7837ea635815/>

WHEREAS, the Board of Marine Deck Officers (Board) issues Certificate of Competency and Endorsement Certificate to Officers-in-Charge of a Navigational Watch, and an Endorsement Certificate to Major Patrons with limitation as "valid only on ships of less than 500 GT engaged or near coastal voyages", pursuant to paragraph 5 of Regulation II/3 of the 1978 STCW Convention, as amended.

WHEREAS, with the progress in the shipping industry, building of ships increased in size and tonnage, even with those ships engaged only on near coastal voyages, such, that it becomes too competitive for our Officers-in-Charge of a Navigational Watch and Major Patrons registered with the Commission which place them in jeopardy of losing their employment to other nationalities should the tonnage limitation requirement in the Certificate of Competency and Endorsement Certificate remain to ships of less than 500 GT.

WHEREAS, in order to avoid the drawback stated in the preceding paragraph, it becomes imperative to promptly address the impending problem by excluding the tonnage limitation requirement in the Certificate of Competency and Endorsement Certificate to Officers-in-Charge of a Navigational Watch and Endorsement Certificate to Major Patrons, pursuant to paragraph 1.8.4, Section B-1/2, of the STCW Code, and change the title of the STCW Regulation to Regulation II/2, par. 3, subject to the limitation that the ship is engaged only on near coastal voyages, without therefore violating any STCW Regulation.

WHEREFORE, the Board resolves, as it hereby RESOLVED, to exclude the tonnage limitation requirement in the Certificate of Competency and Endorsement Certificate of Officers-in-Charge of a Navigational Watch and Endorsement Certificate of Major Patrons engaged on near coastal voyages, and which shall now read as, "valid only on ships engaged on near coastal voyages" under Regulation H/2, par. 3.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a Major Patron shall be issued a STCW Certificate of Competency, in addition to the Endorsement Certificate pursuant to the 2010 Manila Amendments to the STCW Convention, and Officers-in-Charge of a Navigational Watch and Major Patrons applying for the issuance of Certificate of Competency and Endorsement Certificate must have a seagoing service of at least one (1) year on board ships having an equivalent tonnage to the ship which they will board; and that they have completed the revised Management Level Course.

This Resolution shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of nationwide circulation.

Let a copy of this Resolution be furnished the U.P. Law Center.

Done in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 21st day of May 2012.

(Sgd.) JAIME D. AQUINO
Chairman

(Sgd.) MIKE L. CASTRO

Member

(Sgd.) HERMOGENES P. POBRE

Member

(Sgd.) ROMEO C. ABUYUAN

Member

(Sgd.) MARSOLITO A. CRUZ

Member

ATTESTED BY:

(Sgd.) ATTY. CARLOS G. ALMELOR

Secretary, Professional Regulatory Board

APPROVED BY:

(Sgd.) TERESITA R. MANZALA

Chairperson

(Sgd.) ALFERDO Y. PO

Commissioner

(Sgd.) JENNIFER JARDIN-MANALILI

Commissioner

ABOUT BATAS.ORG

Study smarter at BATAS.org

The Philippine bar review and law-school companion built around how your brain actually remembers.

The complete Philippine law library - free for everyone.

More than 100,000 Supreme Court decisions, Republic Acts, and executive issuances - full-text searchable, browsable by category and year, and always free. No paywall, no login. This PDF came from it.

Audio case-brief lectures.

Any decision becomes a podcast-style lecture - facts, issues, ruling, and doctrine - with read-along highlighting and a hands-free presentation mode. Study while commuting, working out, or resting your eyes.

Bar review built on the science of memory.

Complete, sequenced courses for all eight bar subjects, narrated like podcasts and reinforced with retrieval practice and spaced review - the study techniques with the strongest evidence behind them.

The full law-school curriculum.

One subscription unlocks the entire J.D. curriculum - every subject, every lesson, with your progress tracked down to the paragraph so you can pick up exactly where you left off, on any device.

Mock exams that tell you where you stand.

Timed multiple-choice exams graded instantly, with per-subject score breakdowns and focus suggestions that point you at your weakest topics first.

A study planner that keeps you on pace.

Set your schedule and BATAS tells you every day whether you are on track for bar day - and exactly which lesson to take next.

Start free at <https://batas.org>

The law library is free forever - and your first lesson is one click away.

The text of this document is an official public record and remains in the public domain. Formatting, presentation, and compilation © 2026 batas.org.

Downloaded free from the batas.org Law Library. Share it freely - the library is free for every law student, bar reviewee, and practitioner.