

**[PRC BOARD OF MARINE DECK OFFICERS BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2000-32, S. 2000, July 24, 2000
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**AMENDMENTS TO SECTIONS 15 AND 16, ARTICLE V, AND
SECTIONS 23, 24 AND 25 ARTICLE VI OF BOARD OF MARINE
DECK OFFICERS RESOLUTION NO. 21, SERIES OF 1999 (RE:
RULES AND REGULATIONS IMPLEMENTING REPUBLIC ACT NO.
8544, "THE PHILIPPINE MERCHANT MARINE OFFICERS ACT OF
1998")**

WHEREAS, after a careful perusal of Section 15 and 16, Article V, Sections 23, 24 and 25, Article VI of Board Resolution No. 21, series of 1999, the Board deemed it necessary to amend said sections to conform with the recent developments arising from their implementation.

WHEREFORE, the Board resolved to amend Sections 15 and 16, Article V, and Sections 23, 24 and 25, Article VI of Board Resolution No. 21, series of 1999, as follows:

SECTION 1. Sections 15 and 16, Article V of Board Resolution No. 21, series of 199, are hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 15. Application — The applicant for the written examination shall file a computerized application form, duly accomplished, in the Application Section of the Marine Deck Officers Division (MDOD) of the PRC or in any of the PRC regional offices accompanied by authentic or authenticated copies of the required documents.

"A Filipino citizen applicant who graduated from a foreign maritime institution or academy shall be required to present an endorsement from the Commission on Higher Education in order that he will be allowed to take the marine deck officers licensure examination.

"SECTION 16. Examination and Assessment — All applicants for registration, certification and admission to the practice of the Marine Deck Officers profession in any capacity, function and level, shall be required to take and pass the written examination. They shall also be required to take and pass the practical assessment which shall meet the standard of competence prescribed in PART A of the STCW Code; provided that, only those who passed the written examination shall be allowed to take the practical assessment.

"When conditions and circumstances so warrant, the Board may give/administer, subject to the approval of the Commission, walk-in