

[PRC RESOLUTION NO. 21, s. 1993, December 14, 1993]

BOARD FOR DECK OFFICERS

Pursuant to Section 18 (a), (b), (c), and (d) of Presidential Decree No. 97: "THE PHILIPPINE MERCHANT MARINE OFFICERS LAW", and Section 6 (a) of Presidential Decree No. 223, as amended, the Board for Deck Officers hereby adopts the Revised Rules for Continuing Professional Education (CPE) for Deck Officers in the Philippines.

I

Introduction

A. *Definition*

Continuing Professional Education (CPE) for Registered Marine Deck Officers is defined as Education and Training beyond the basic preparation for the profession. The CPE has this scope: Shipboard Management, Nautical Science Practice, Maritime Administration, Teaching and Research.

B. *Objective*

To upgrade and enhance shipboard technical and managerial knowledge, skills, expertise, and competence and the moral and ethical qualities of every Marine Deck Officers as well as the standards of the profession.

C. *Responsibilities*

For the interest and welfare of the public and the standard and reputation of the profession, it behooves every Marine Deck Officers to continually hone his competence and nurture his moral and ethical traits through formal or informal education with the latest trends involving the profession.

II

Evaluation and Accreditation Committee

A. *Composition*

An Evaluation and Accreditation Committee (EAC) shall be composed of Master Mariners representing various sectors of the Maritime Industry.

Chairman: The Chairman of the Board for Deck Officers

Vice Chairman/Secretary: President of the duly PRC accredited Marine Deck Officers Association

Members: Representative of Conference of Maritime Manning Agencies (COMMA)

Representative of Filipino Association for Mariner's Employment, Inc. (FAME)

Representative of Filipino Shipowners' Association (FSA)

Representative of Philippine Association of Manning Agencies & Ship Managers, Inc. (PAMAS)

Representative of Philippine Association of Maritime Institutions (PAMI)

The term of office of the members shall be co-terminus with the Chairman of EAC.

B. *Functions*

1. Process, evaluate and issue certification for license revalidation or renewal.
2. Adopt rules and regulations to implement the objectives of PRC Resolution No. 118.
3. Coordinate periodically with PRC on numbers of renewed or revalidated licenses.
4. Accredit course, contributions, or programs for CPE units upon request of professional outside organizations.
5. Review and revise guidelines for CPE every three (3) years, or even earlier, if necessary.
6. Perform other functions and duties as may be necessary to effectively implement the objectives of the CPE.

C. *Staff and Office*

The Committee may maintain a staff and office headed by the Vice Chairman of the Committee to administer its functions and may charge reasonable fees for the accreditation of program/activities as well as for the certification of CPE credit units.

III

Courses, Programs, Contributions, and Activities for Accreditation

A. *Sea Service*

1. For every month of sea service on license

Units

1.0

2. Any position lower than his license

0.5

B. *Courses*

All STCW/Upgrading courses which are mandatory requirements and courses complying with the provisions of IMO Regulations should be given credits.

<i>Courses</i>	<i>Units</i>
1. Shipboard Management Training	5.0
2. Ship Business Management/ Chartering	5.0
3. Ship Handling and Maneuvering	5.0
4. Navigational Watchkeeping and Collision Prevention	5.0
5. Collision Regulation Courses	5.0
6. Safe Cargo Handling and Stowage	5.0
7. Dangerous Goods	5.0
8. Oil Tanker Operation Advanced Course	5.0
9. LPG/LNG Tanker Safety Course	5.0
10. Chemical Tanker Advanced Course	5.0
11. Gas Tanker Operation, Advanced Course	5.0
12. Global Maritime Distress Safety System General Operators Course (GMDSS-GOC)	5.0
13. Automatic Radar Plotting Aid (ARPA)	5.0
14. Four (4) Basic SOLAS Courses (FF, FA, SC and PST)	5.0
15. Advanced Computer Course	5.0
16. Trim and Stability	3.0
17. Electronic Navigation System with GPS	3.0
18. Marine Meteorology	3.0
19. Practice of Navigation & Aids to Navigation	3.0
20. Cargo Handling Simulator	3.0
21. Advance Firefighting	3.0
22. Advance First Aid	3.0