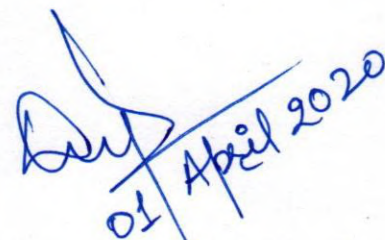|	DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, GOVT.OF INDIA, MUMBAI	IS/ISO Clause No.7.1
Ref.: QMS - 7.0 Page 1	Sub: Minimum eligibility criteria for admissions in pre-sea maritime courses, Introduction of "Common Entrance Test" (CET) and Online Counselling.	No.TR/Mis./9(10)/2017
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1. Whereas India being signatory to the International Convention on "Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW), 1978, as amended is obliged to comply with the requirements of the said Convention.

2. Whereas the Directorate had issued D.G. Shipping Circular No. 07 of 2005 dated 17 / 06 / 2005 stating the "Eligibility criteria for selection of candidates for various pre-sea training courses". The said circular has been through a number of amendments since then.

3. Whereas the entry standards for various maritime courses approved by the Directorate were also mentioned in the various Orders / Guidelines issued by the Directorate time to time.

4. Whereas a need was felt for consolidating the eligibility criteria for admission in pre-sea maritime courses owing to confusion regarding eligibility for admission among the aspiring seafarers and the maritime community in general.

5. Whereas the maritime awareness is lacking in young students resulting in their getting trapped in to false promises by fraudulent agents.

13.21. Training Circular No. 4 of 2006 dated 06 / 02 / 2006 superseded by Training Circular No. 07 of 2010 dated 17 / 06 / 2010.

13.22. Training Circular No. 18 of 2005 dated 16 / 06 / 2005 superseded by Training Circular No. 07 of 2010 dated 17 / 06 / 2010.

13.23. Training Circular No. 07 of 2005 dated 17 / 06 / 2005.

13.24. M.S. Notice No. 26 of 2003 dated 30 / 10 / 2003.

14. This Training Circular comes in to force from 01 / 03 / 2020.

15. This issues with the approval of the Director General of Shipping and Additional Secretary to the Government. of India.

01 April 2020

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To

1. All the stakeholders through DGS website.
2. All DGS approved Maritime Training Institutes
3. All Mercantile Marine Department [MMDs]
4. Chief Surveyor & Chief Examiner of Engineers, DGS, GoI
5. Nautical Advisor and Chief Examiner of Master and Mates, DGS, GoI

SN	Name of Pre-sea maritime Course	Course duration	Minimum Academic Qualification	Minimum Age limit (Years)	Maximum Age limit (Years)
6.	General Purpose Rating (GP Rating)	6 Months	(a) Pass with aggregate 40% marks in 10 th Standard with Science, Mathematic as subjects. (b) The candidates must have secured minimum 40% marks in English in 10 th standard exams. **Note - 1.** The candidate must have passed the 10 th standard from a recognized board.	17.5	25
			OR		
			(a) Pass in 2-Year I.T.I. course from Govt. Approved Institute with minimum 50% aggregate marks in final year. (b) The candidates must have secured minimum 40% marks in English in 10 th standard exams. **Note - 1.** The candidate must have passed the 10 th standard from a recognized board.	17.5	25
			OR		
			(a) Diploma or Degree holders. (b) Pass with aggregate 40% marks in 10 th Standard with Science, Mathematic as subjects. (c) The candidates must have secured minimum 40% marks in English in 10 th standard exams. **Note - 1.** The candidate must have passed the 10 th standard from a recognized board. **2.** The diploma or degree must be recognized by any State or Central Government or the AICTE. **3.** The maximum age limit for degree or diploma is raised with a condition that these candidates are provided shipboard training within one year of completion of course.	17.5	27
7.	Certificate Course in Maritime Catering (CCMC)	6 Months	(a) Pass with aggregate 40% marks in 10 th Standard exam. (b) The candidates must have secured minimum 40% marks in English in 10 th standard exams. **Note - 1.** The candidate must have passed the 10 th standard from a recognized board.	17.5	25
			OR		