

Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (Registration and Employment of Seamen) Regulations 1997

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MARITIME AND PORT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE ACT 1996 (ACT 7 OF 1996)

MARITIME AND PORT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE (REGISTRATION AND
EMPLOYMENT OF SEAMEN) REGULATIONS 1997

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 40 of the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore Act 1996, the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore, with the approval

of the Minister for Communications, hereby makes the following Regulations:

PART I

PRELIMINARY

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (Registration and Employment of Seamen) Regulations 1997 and shall come into operation on 9th April 1997.

Definitions

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

“certificate” means the certificate issued by the Authority to a person who has successfully completed a course of training approved by the Authority;

“Director” means the Director of Marine and includes any officer authorised by the Authority to act in that behalf;

“prescribed fee” means the fee prescribed in the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (Scale of Dues, Rates and General Fees) Notification 1997 (G.N. No. S 190/97);

“registration card” means a registration card issued to a registered seaman under regulation 5(3);

“Registration Committee” means the Registration Committee established by the Authority under regulation 3(1);

“registered seaman” means a seaman who is registered under these Regulations;

“seamen’s register” means the register of seamen established and maintained by the Authority under regulation 15;

“select” means to select registered seamen for engagement in any ship and “selection” shall be construed accordingly.

PART II

REGISTRATION OF SEAMEN

Registration Committee

3.—(1) There is established a Registration Committee whose function is to consider —

- (a) all questions relating to the registration, re-registration and renewal of registration of seamen under these Regulations as may be referred to it by the Authority from time to time;
- (b) appeals from the decisions made by the Director under regulation 34; and
- (c) such other matters that may be referred to the Registration Committee by the Authority from time to time.

(2) The Registration Committee is to consist of such persons as may be appointed by the Authority.

Registration — application and qualifications

4.—(1) An application for registration as a seaman is to —

- (a) be made on such form as may be issued by the Authority; and
- (b) contain or be accompanied by such information or documents as the Authority may require.

(2) No person is to be registered as a seaman with the Authority unless —

- (a) he is a citizen or a permanent resident of Singapore;
- (b) he has attained the age of 15 years;
- (c) he possesses a certificate or has previous experience on board sea-going ships or has such other experience acceptable to the Authority; and
- (de) he is a fit and proper person to be registered as a seaman.

(3) A person who qualifies for registration as a seaman is, upon passing the medical examination prescribed by the Authority under regulation 5, to have his name entered in the seamen's register.

Medical examination

5.—(1) An applicant for registration as a seaman with the Authority must undergo a medical examination as required by the Authority within 14 days of his being notified to do so.

(2) Any applicant who fails or refuses to undergo the medical examination is not entitled to submit a fresh application for registration as a seaman with the Authority until a period of 6 months has elapsed from the date the applicant was due to undergo the