



Endorsement of foreign Certificate of Competency

Masters and officers who hold a foreign STCW Certificate of Competency or a Certificate of Proficiency for tankers and are engaged to serve on Nigerian flag vessel shall hold a Flag State Endorsement (FSE) issued by the Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA) in accordance with the STCW Reg.I/10.

NIMASA does not issue endorsements for ratings. Ratings should hold a certificate of proficiency issued in accordance with STCW Convention by recognized countries that are parties to the “International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW) 1978, as amended”.

A. Requirement for Endorsement of Recognition for Nigerian holding foreign Certificate of Competency

Application for endorsement should be sent to the **Director, Maritime Safety and Seafarers Standard Department (MSSSD)**, Nigeria Maritime Resource Development Centre (NMRDC), Kirikiri, Apapa, Lagos. Nigeria. Tel: 09076361503

e-mail: msssd@nimasa.gov.ng

The following should be attached to the application:

- Copy of certificate of competency to be endorsed;
- Passport Photographs ;
- Copy of International Passport of the crew;
- Copy of Discharge Book entries (Seaman’s record Book);
- Copies of Ancillary Safety Certificates;
- Seafarer’s medical certificates.
- Evidence of payment (receipt) for the endorsement
- Must have adequate knowledge of maritime legislation norms of the Federal Republic of Nigeria



B. Requirement for Endorsement of Recognition of Certificate of Competency for Non Nigerians

Application for endorsement should be submitted by Shipping Companies/ Manning Agents to the **Director, Maritime Safety and Seafarers Standard Department (MSSSD), Nigeria Maritime Resource Development Centre (NMRDC), Kirikiri, Apapa, Lagos. Nigeria.**

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The following should be attached to the application:

- “Cabotage waiver on manning” for the foreign crew to be engaged if the vessel is engaged in coastal trade;
Or
Evidence/clearance that the vessel is on foreign trade
- Name of the ship;
- Copy of the ship manning certificate;
- Passport Photographs of the crew;
- Copy of International Passport of the crew;
- Copy of certificate of competency to be endorsed;
- Copy of Discharge Book entries (Seaman’s record Book);
- Copies of Ancillary Safety Certificates;
- Seafarer’s medical certificates.
- Evidence of payment (receipt) for the endorsement
- Must have adequate knowledge of maritime legislation norms of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

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Dispensation and evaluation of foreign Certificate of Competency - N15, 000:00

Full endorsement of recognition of CoC for Nigerians:

Class 1 (Deck /Engine) - N100, 000

Class II (Deck/Engine) - N80, 000

OOW (Deck/Engine) - N60, 000

Electro officers - N60, 000



Full endorsement of recognition of CoC for foreigners
on cabotage vessels:

Class I (Deck /Engine) - N150, 000

Class II (Deck/Engine) - N160, 000

00W (Deck/Engine) - N100, 000

Electro officers - N60, 000