CONSULATE OF PANAMA HOUSTON - TEXAS SEAFARERS SECTION



REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SEAMAN BOOKS, COURSE ENDORSEMENTS AND DUPLICATES

REQUIREMENTS FOR ABLE SEAMAN II/4

/SUPPORT

- 1. <u>Application for Certificates and Endorsements</u> for Seafarers (duly filled out and signed by the applicant with Black Ink).
- **2.** One (1) full color passport photo 4 x 4 centimeters (shoulder and face exposed without hat & white background) Recently taken, no more than six (6) months old, the photo should be pasted on the application form.
- 3. Valid Passport (Copy)
- 4. Valid Medical Fitness Certificate according to Circular MMC 261 P.10
- **5**. Money order or company check payable to **Consulate of Panama.** The cost for the Able Seaman license is \$185.00 plus the cost of the required security endorsement.
- **6.** Have completed:
 - 6.1 At least six (6) months of approved seagoing service as seaman, or
 - **6.2** Special Training, either Pre-sea or on-board ship. Including an approve period of seagoing service which shall not be less tan two (2) months, **or**
 - **6.3** Approved seagoing service as Deck Cadet (Assistant Deck Officer) not less than four (4) months in national waters or two (2) months in international waters.
- 7. Certificate of Rating forming part of a Navigational watch course (Regulation II/4)
- 8. STCW 78 amended Basic Training Courses
 - **8.1** IMO 1.13 Elementary First Aid
 - **8.2** IMO 1.19 Proficiency in Personal Survival Techniques
 - **8.3** IMO 1.20 Fire Prevention and Fire Fighting
 - 8.4 IMO 1.21 Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities
- 9. Security Awareness Course that meets the requirements of Table A-VI/6-1 of the STCW 78 as amended (\$20.00); or Security Training for Seafarers with Designated Security Duties of table A-VI/6-2 of STCw78 as amended (\$40.00); or Ship Security Officer, table A-VI-5 of STCW 78 as amended (\$60.00)

(Must endorse with the Panama Maritime Authority)

Note: Seafarers that submit certificate of proficiency from their Administration with the Regulation II/4 of the Convention STCW'78 as amended, do not need to show experience for the position requested as Able Seaman, Mentioned above in **numeral 6**.

<u>Duplicate:</u> If <u>stolen or lost</u>, a letter indicating this fact along with a record that a proper complaint was filed with the competent authority **or** a company letter assuming responsibility for the loss and application. If the cause is <u>deterioration or full use of record pages</u>, a letter indicating the fact and a seaman's book copy must be submitted.

The cost for duplicate is \$80.00

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