### <u>Frequently-Asked-Questions (FAQs) relating to Electro-Technical Officer (ETO)</u> <u>and Electro-Technical Rating (ETR).</u>

# Q1. Will the existing Electrical Officers without Certificate of Competency (CoC) be allowed to continue to work on Singapore ships?

Existing Electrical Officers can sail until 31 Dec 2016 under the transitional provisions of STCW Convention. From 1 Jan 2017, all Electrical Officers (also called Electrical Engineer in some companies) should obtain a CoC as ETO as per STCW Regulation III/6 from their national administration. The 2010 amedments to STCW Convention and Code has provisions for maritime administrations to recognise earlier training regime and issue new ETO CoC after completing bridging courses and relevant assessments .

### Q2. Who is an Electro-Technical Rating (ETR)?

The Electro-Technical Rating (ETR) is a rating assisting the Chief Egineer or ETO in performing electrical duties. They are known as Electricians. From 1 Jan 2017, such ratings should hold a certificate of proficiency as ETR issued under STCW Regulation III/7. It is not necessary to apply for flag state COE for ratings with certificate of proficiency as ETR.

## Q3. Will the Safe Manning Document be amended to include the capacity of ETO or ETR?

The capacity for ETO or ETR will not be stated on the Safe Manning Document as the requirement to carry a ETO or ETR is not mandatory. The company will assess whether there is a need to carry an ETO or ETR based on the ship's operational requirements. However, if they are to be carried, for officers joining as an ETO (previously known as Electrical Officer), they are required to possess the ETO CoC issued under III/6 and issued with Flag State COE prior deploying them on board Singapore registered ships. These two capacities are included under the "Other Engine Ratings/Personnel".

# Q4 I am a Singaporean and have been working as an Electrical Officer or Electrician for many years. How do I obtain a CoC as ETO.

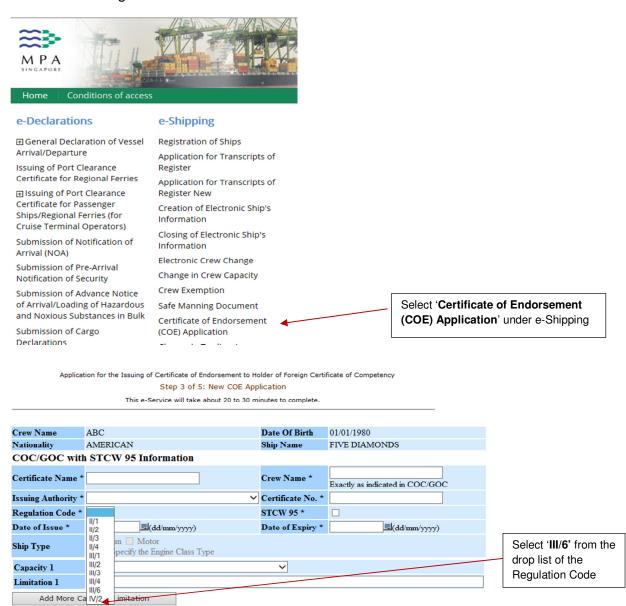
All Singaporeans and premanent residents of Singapore who have served as Electrical Officers for at least 12 months within the precedding 5 years can qualify for CoC as ETO upon attending bridging courses. For details, please refer to Shipping Circular No. 15 of 2016 - Requirements for Certificate of Competency as Electro-Technical Officer (COC-ETO) and Certificate of Proficiency as Electro-Technical Rating (COP-ETR)

### Q5 How can I obtain a Certificate of Proficiency as ETR?

All Singaporean and permanent residents of Singapore who have served as an ETR for 12 months in the preceding 5 years can qualify as ETR upon attending bridging courses to comply with STCW requirements. For details, please refer to Shipping Circular No. 15 of 2016 - Requirements for Certificate of Competency as Electro-Technical Officer (COC-ETO) and Certificate of Proficiency as Electro-Technical Rating (COP-ETR)

### Q6. What are the Procedures in applying for a COE for ETO from MPA?

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