



FLEET STANDING ORDER

Title: ECO 1 – Applications for Endorsements of Recognition (EoR) and Certificates of Equivalent Competency (CeC)

To: All Masters

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Please find attached copies of an application form for a UK flag - Certificate of Equivalent Competency [CEC] and for an Isle of Man flag - Endorsement of Recognition [EoR].

Both forms serve the same purpose. The MCA uses the term CEC, while STCW, the IOM Marine Administration, and most other flag state authorities use the term EoR.

An EoR/CRA or CEC needs to be issued to every Officer whose Certificate of Competency [CoC] (or national licence), is NOT issued by the UK authorities (MCA) and who is sailing or intending to sail on UK or IOM flagged vessels.

The application should be made to the relevant authorities before the Officer joins the ship, and carry a photocopy of the application with him on board. The application procedure will therefore normally be handled by the Personnel Department or by the Manning Agent.

Upon embarkation, the Master must verify a valid CEC/EoR/CRA is in the Officer's possession, and if not, the Officer has a photocopy as proof of his application for the CEC/EoR/CRA with him. At this point, the Master must contact the office immediately to request a copy of the CEC/EoR/CRA.

In case neither a valid CEC/EoR/CRA or application is available, the Master, together with the Officer, will need to make this application immediately and forward it to the Personnel Manager, with a photocopy kept on board. Use the attached forms for this purpose.

On receipt of a CEC application, the Flag Administration will issue a EoR / CRA, and an e-mail copy will be sent to the ship. The Master must ensure this has been received onboard prior to arrival at the next port. If this is not received, the Personnel department must be notified immediately.

To process an application correctly, the following copies must accompany the application form:

- Proof of Identification (Passport or Seaman's Book)
- Valid National Licence / Certificate of Competency [CoC] *
- STCW "78/"95 (as amended) national Endorsement of the above licence and proof of undergoing the rank-dependable required training modules (Radar Navigation, GMDSS, Medical Care, Survival Craft Command, Advanced Fire fighting, etc) *
- Valid Medical Certificate (recognised by the UK / IOM authorities; refer to respective Flag State Shipping Notices for a list of countries issuing acceptable medical certificates)
- 2 Photographs (colour, passport format)
- Sample of the applicant's signature (for IOM EoR only)

* Please note that some authorities have opted to incorporate the CoC and the national STCW Endorsement into one and the same document.