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To: All local Agents and Operators

STCW Manila Amendments - application for domestic operations only

1. The 4 basic STCW courses are already a requirement for Boatmasters & Marine Engine Operators operating in Gibraltar. "Equivalent", usually RYA, have been accepted subject to MA approval. Now the STCW courses are available in Gib there is no justification to continue this practise.
2. Boatmasters / marine engine operators have been issued with certificates on the condition that "fire fighting to be completed before next renewal or when the course becomes available in Gibraltar, whichever comes first". This course is now available in Gibraltar and must be completed not later than 31 May 2013. Failure to do so may result in suspension or cancellation of the certificate of competency.
3. From 1st August 2012 - New candidates and renewals – the 4 basics STCW courses must have been completed before the examination or renewal date.
4. **On domestic passenger vessel:** All crew are required to have completed 4 basic STCW courses.
5. **On all domestic craft:** From 31 May 2013, **all** crew must have completed the 4 basics STCW courses.
6. From 31 May 2013, the validity of 4 basic STCW course certificates will be 5 years from the date of attendance. This is in line with, but 18 months behind, STCW Manila implementation.
7. **On all domestic craft:** All crew are required to be in possession of a valid (ENG1) medical certificate

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