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Mr. Charles G. Eser  
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JAN 0 8 2009

Dear Mr. Eser:

We write in response to your letter of December 15, 2008, requesting renewal of the approval of your 70-hour Advanced Cargo Operations course.

The course satisfies applicable requirements, and the following approval is granted subject to the conditions listed below and in Enclosure (1):

Any applicant who has successfully completed your 70-hour Advanced Cargo Operations course will satisfy the Advanced Cargo Operations training requirements for STCW certification as Master or Chief Mate on vessels of 500 or more gross tonnage (ITC). The practical assessments conducted in this course will be accepted as the equivalent of the following assessments from the National Assessment Guidelines for Table A-II/2 of the STCW Code: M-9-1A; M-9-1B; M-9-1C; and M-9-1D. Applicants who have successfully completed your course need not present completed "Control Sheets" for these assessments in application for STCW certification.

1. The instructors approved to teach this course are listed in Enclosure (2). Requests to add additional instructors must be submitted to this office for evaluation and written approval.
2. Your certificate of training must state the name of the course as *70-hour Advanced Cargo Operations* and the dates and location at which the training was conducted.
3. This course is approved to be presented at your facility in Easton, Maryland. In order to give this course at any other location, you must submit a request to the REC in whose zone the training is to be given at least 21 days in advance. An informational copy of this request should be sent to REC Baltimore.

This approval is effective February 1, 2009, and expires on February 28, 2014. Subsequent five-year renewals may be granted upon a written request to this office made at least 30 days before this approval expires.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. D. Cavo".

JAMES D. CAVO

Chief, Mariner Training and Assessment Division  
U.S. Coast Guard  
By direction

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JUL 1 2008

Dear Mr. Eser:

We write in response to your letter of June 18, 2008 requesting renewal of the approval of your 35-hour Advanced Meteorology course.

The course satisfies applicable requirements, and the following approval is granted subject to the conditions listed below and in Enclosure (1):

Any applicant who has successfully completed your 35-hour Advanced Meteorology course will satisfy the Advanced Meteorology training requirements for STCW certification as Master or Chief Mate on vessels of 500 or more gross tonnage (ITC). The practical assessments in this course will be accepted as the equivalent of assessments M-6-1A and M-6-2A from the National Assessment Guidelines for Table A-II/2 of the STCW Code. Applicants who have successfully completed your course need not present completed "Control Sheets" for these assessments in application for STCW certification.

1. The instructor approved to teach this course is Daniel W. Noonan. Requests to add additional instructors must be submitted to this office for evaluation and written approval.
2. Your certificate of training must state the name of the course as *35-hour Advanced Meteorology* and the dates and location at which the training was conducted.
3. This course is approved to be presented at your facility in Easton, Maryland. In order to give this course at any other location, you must submit a request to the REC in whose zone the training is to be given at least 21 days in advance. An informational copy of this request should be sent to REC Baltimore.

This approval is effective July 1, 2008, and expires on July 31, 2013. Subsequent five-year renewals may be granted upon a written request to this office made at least 30 days before this approval expires.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James D. Cavo".

JAMES D. CAVO

Chief, Examination and Course Approval Branch  
U.S. Coast Guard  
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MAR 12 2009

Mr. C.G. Eser  
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Dear Mr. Eser:

We write in response to your letter of February 3, 2009, in which you brought to our attention an error in the approval granted your 80-hour Advanced Shiphandling course in our letter of June 5, 2007.

We have reviewed all of the documents that are related to this course renewal and agree that the approval we gave was in error. We apologize for this error and for any inconvenience it may have caused you.

We have revised the approval granted this course as follows:

Any applicant who has successfully completed your 80-hour Advanced Shiphandling course will satisfy the Advanced Shiphandling training requirements for STCW certification as Master or Chief Mate on vessels of 500 or more gross tonnage (ITC). In conjunction with this course, any approved instructor for this course is authorized to sign-off for a successful demonstration on the students' "Control Sheets" for the following assessments from the National Assessment Guidelines for Table A-II/2 of the STCW Code: M-3-1A; M-7-1A; M-7-2A; M-7-3A; M-7-3B; M-7-4A; M-7-5A; M-8-1A; M-8-2A; M-8-3A; M-8-4A; M-8-5A; M-8-6A; M-8-6B; M-8-7-A; M-8-8A; and M-8-9A.

If you have questions contact Mr. Richard Shade at [Richard.H.Shade@uscg.mil](mailto:Richard.H.Shade@uscg.mil) or (304) 433-3713.

Sincerely,

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JAMES D. CAVO

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JUL 9 2008

Dear Mr. Eser:

We write in response to your letter of June 18, 2008, requesting renewal of the approval of your 40-hour Advanced Stability course.

The course satisfies applicable requirements, and the following approval is granted subject to the conditions listed below and in Enclosure (1):

Any applicant who has successfully completed your 40-hour Advanced Stability course will satisfy the Advanced Stability training requirements for STCW certification as Master or Chief Mate on vessels of 500 or more gross tonnage (ITC). The practical assessments conducted in this course will be accepted as the equivalent of the following assessments from the National Assessment Guidelines for Table A-II/2 of the STCW Code: M-9-1A; M-9-1B; M-9-1C; and M-9-1D. Applicants who have successfully completed your course need not present completed "Control Sheets" for these assessments in application for STCW certification.

1. The instructors approved to teach this course are listed in Enclosure (2). Requests to add additional instructors must be submitted to this office for evaluation and written approval.
2. Your certificate of training must state the name of the course as *40-hour Advanced Stability* and the dates and location at which the training was conducted.
3. This course is approved to be presented at your facility in Easton, Maryland. In order to give this course at any other location, you must submit a request to the REC in whose zone the training is to be given at least 21 days in advance. An informational copy of this request should be sent to REC Baltimore.

This approval is effective August 1, 2008, and expires on August 31, 2013. Subsequent five-year renewals may be granted upon a written request to this office made at least 30 days before this approval expires.

Sincerely,

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JAMES D. CAVO  
Chief, Mariner Training and Assessment Division  
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Mr. Charles G. Eser  
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MEBAMD-27  
MAR 23 2011

Dear Mr. Eser:

We write in response to your letter of March 15, 2011, in which you brought to our attention an error in our letter of approval of your Advanced Watchkeeping (MEBAMD-27) course.

We have corrected the approval for the above course as indicated below. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Any applicant who has successfully completed your *Advanced Watchkeeping (MEBAMD-27)* course will satisfy the Watchkeeping and Advanced COLREGS training requirements of Section A-II/2 and Table A-II/2 of the STCW Code for certification as Master or Chief Mate on vessels of 500 or more gross tonnage (ITC). The practical assessments in this course will be accepted as the equivalent of assessments M-4-1A; M-4-1B; M-4-1C; M-4-2A; M-5-1A; M-5-1B; M-5-1C; and M-5-1D from the National Assessment Guidelines for Table A-II/2 of the STCW Code.

Applicants who have successfully completed your course need not present completed "Control Sheets" for these assessments in application for STCW certification.

All other terms of the approval, including the date of expiry, remain in effect.

If you have questions contact Mr. David Harper at [David.D.Harper@uscg.mil](mailto:David.D.Harper@uscg.mil) (304) 433-3714.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert L. Smith III".

ROBERT L. SMITH III  
Chief, Mariner Training and Assessment Division  
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MAR 16 2007

Mr. Barry Van Vechten  
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Dear Mr. Van Vechten:

This is in response to your letter of January 9, 2007, requesting renewal of your currently approved 40-hour Electronic Chart Display Information Systems (ECDIS) course.

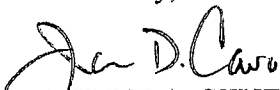
The course satisfies applicable requirements, and the following approval is granted subject to the conditions listed below and in Enclosure (1):

Any applicant successfully completing your 40-hour Electronic Chart Display Information Systems (ECDIS) course will be considered to have successfully demonstrated the competencies *Plan and Conduct a Passage and Determine Position: Thorough Knowledge of and Ability to Use ECDIS* of Table A-II/1 of the STCW Code and *Determine Position and the Accuracy of Resultant Position Fix: Position Determination Using ECDIS With Specific Knowledge of its Operating Principles, Limitations, Sources of Error, Detection of Misrepresentation of information and methods of Correction to Obtain Accurate Position Fixing* of Table A-II/2 of the STCW Code.

1. The instructors approved to teach this course are listed in Enclosure (2). Requests to add additional instructors must be submitted to this office for evaluation and written approval.
2. Your certificate of training must state the name of the course as *40-hour Electronic Chart Display Information Systems (ECDIS)* and the dates and location at which the training was conducted.
3. This course is approved to be presented at your facilities in Easton, Maryland. In order to give this course at any other location, you must submit a request to the REC in whose zone the training is to be given at least 21 days in advance. An informational copy of this request should be sent to REC Baltimore.

This approval is effective February 1, 2007, and expires on February 29, 2012. Subsequent five-year renewals may be granted upon a written request to this office made at least 30 days before this approval expires.

Sincerely,

  
For PERRY A. STUTMAN  
Chief, Training and Assessment Division  
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OCT 20 2009

Dear Mr. Eser:

We write in response to your letter of October 15, 2009, in which you brought to our attention an error in our letter of approval of your 35-Hour Voyage Planning & Electronic Navigation course.

We have corrected the approval for the above course as indicated below. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Any applicant who has successfully completed your 35-hour Voyage Planning & Electronic Navigation course will satisfy the Advanced Navigation training requirements for STCW certification as Master or Chief Mate on vessels of 500 or more gross tonnage (ITC) *provided* that they have also completed a Coast Guard approved Electronic Chart Display and Information Systems (ECDIS) course within one year of completing this course. The practical assessments conducted in this course will be accepted as the equivalent of the following assessments from the National Assessment Guidelines for Table A-II/2 of the STCW Code: M-1-1A; M-1-1B; M-1-2G; M-1-2H; M-1-2I; M-1-4A; M-2-1A; M-2-1C; M-2-1D; M-2-1E; M-2-1F; M-3-1A; and M-4-2A. Applicants who have successfully completed your course need not present completed "Control Sheets" for these assessments in application for STCW certification.

If you have questions contact Mr. David Harper at [David.D.Harper@uscg.mil](mailto:David.D.Harper@uscg.mil) (304) 433-3714.

Sincerely,

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