

Instructions for the candidates who have not completed their sea service as per STCW requirement and META Manual Vol.II and Sea Rule 1989 (supercedes circular 044 issued on 29th July 2002)

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We have been receiving a lot of queries from MMDs regarding the candidates who have not completed their sea time as required by chapter I of STCW 98 and META Vol I and Examination of Engineers Rules 1989. The cases forwarded are of varying nature with candidates having partly completed the sea time or have not sailed in previous 5 years as required by rules for revalidation of certificate. These are the candidates who are other than the candidates, who are exempted (superintendents, surveyors etc.), as mentioned in META vol I section M-I/10 of chapter I.

After due deliberation it has been decided at this directorate that the candidates can complete their required sea time on coastal vessels serving one rank lower than the certificate held or by appearing for a viva voce at the respective examination centers, Provided they have completed the prescribed refresher and updating course (4 days) followed by a revalidation course for (10 days)

The candidates who have opted for sailing will have to take special permission from this directorate and will have to forward the employer's letter showing willingness to employ them onboard. The fees of Rs. 1000/- (Rupees One thousand only) should be paid in form of demand draft drawn in favour of 'Directorate General of Shipping, Mumbai'. The fees have to be paid at the time of application. The application can be made on plain paper.

The candidate opting for orals may be charged the orals fees as mentioned in META manual Vol I for the particular grade. The 'Form 15' should be used for applying for orals. The result should be suitably endorsed in the form and DGS final register and should be forwarded to the directorate along with recommendations for upgradation if any. All other documents eg. Form 1,2 etc should accompany the DGS final register. The orals shall in general be mainly composed of matters relating to safety consisting functions MEP, SSEP and recent developments in the function of Marine Engineering. The examiner approved for the particular grade can conduct the orals