

# **MERCHANT SHIPPING NOTICES**

**Merchant Shipping Notice 19 of 2001**

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**Subject: Requirement of Upgradation of Certificates from STCW 78 to 95 for Staff Appointed Ashore in Shipping Companies and Faculty members of Training Institutes.**

**It has been brought out by some of the Shipping Companies and the Institutes that the upgradation of Certificates for Nautical and Engineering Officers from STCW '78 to '95 and revalidation should not be made compulsory, for the staff appointed ashore, in the Shipping Companies and faculty members, employed in the Training Institutes.**

**After detailed discussions in the Directorate and with the people from the Industries, it emerged that the requirement of STCW is for personnel, serving at sea and not ashore. Therefore, there is no requirement of insisting for upgradation of certificates from STCW '78 to '95 and revalidation, for such personnel who are not serving at sea.**

**In view of the above, it has been decided by the Director General of Shipping that the personnel employed in the Training Institutes as faculties and in the staff of Shipping/Management and Manning companies, need not undergo the conversion of certificates from STCW'78 to '95 or revalidation. They may continue working as faculties or staff members with the old certificates.**

**However, it would be highly desirable if those who teach, follow in practice what they teach in class room, and expect from trainees.**