

Assessment of Sea service performed on Non-trading vessel/s in Foreign/coastal Waters towards 2nd Mate (FG) certification. (Obsolete included in TEAP part A and B)

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1. Background:

This Directorate has been receiving queries from various assessment centers (MMDs) with regard assessment of sea time, if such sea service has been performed on non-trading ships of special purpose such as, cable laying vessels, dredgers, anchor handling tugs and similar other vessels (inter-alia, special purpose code vessels, offshore supply vessels, diving support vessels & other such vessels) plying in foreign as well as in Indian coastal waters and where competency tables A-II/1 of STCW 78/95 code for all the functions are not completely covered

2. Decisions taken:

It has been decided that assessment of sea service applicable to entrants following Structured Shipboard Training Programme (SSTP) for the purpose of appearing in examination for 2nd Mate (foreign going) shall be as follows:-

1. At least half of total sea service requirement [eg. 12 months if requirement is 24 months or 9 months if the requirement is 18 months in case of IGNOU/IMU cadets, or 6 months if the requirement is 12 months in case of B.Sc. Nautical Science/ Nautical technology degree cadets] shall be performed on foreign going trading vessels or coastal trading vessels of 500 GT and above engaged on voyages of 500 miles or more.
2. Out of the sea service stated in Para 2.1 above, a minimum Six months of supervised navigational watch keeping shall be performed on foreign going trading vessels or coastal trading vessels of 500 GT and above engaged on voyages of 500 miles or more.
3. Assessment of sea time for service performed on non-trading vessels of 500 GT and above in foreign waters or coastal waters:
 1. Maximum of one third of total sea service required as in Para 2.1 above at full rate for actual Sea Service performed on such non-trading vessel may be assessed.
 2. Maximum of one sixth of total sea service required as in Para 2.1 [service in excess of actual sea service in sub Para a) above] may be awarded at 2/3rd rate.
4. The remaining period of sea service, as applicable for various categories, shall be performed on a trading ship. Companies / training providers are advised to plan the ship board training slots well in advance, so that element of foreign going sea service leg including the balance period stated herein, which can not be covered by the sea service acceptable on non trading ships described in Para 2.3 above, is as far as possible performed first, in order that an entrant avails desired exposure and training during initial stages of his/her most formative period.

5. Sea service performed on vessels of less than 500 GT will not be assessed towards Second Mate (FG) certification.

[For Sea time calculation attached table \(Annexure-I\) may be used as reference.](#)

6. A candidate desirous of continuing service on a non-trading vessel may apply for assessment of sea service and same will be counted in full for the purpose of assessment of sea going service, however, the CoC so issued shall carry limitation/s with regard to type of vessel and/or area of operation.
7. To remove / modify limitations imposed on a CoC, the candidate (as stated in Para 3. above) will be required to perform a minimum of 6 months of service on a dedicated foreign going trading vessel, then put up his service record for assessment centre and pass the oral examination (normally, scope of such oral examination shall be restricted to areas of competencies so far not covered in earlier oral examinations).
8. This circular supersedes NT Wing / [Exam Circular No. 1 of 2010.](#)
9. This issues with the approval of the Chief Examiner of Master and Mates.

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