

Requirements when applying for Faroese Recognition Certificate (CRA)

In connection with the issuance of Recognition Certificate (CRA), the FMA experiences recurrent problems with the submission of necessary documents and also with the timely transfer of payment.

We have found it necessary to change our routines, and by that our procedure to issue an initial Temporal Certification (TC) for 3 months has been discarded. Henceforth we will attempt to issue the Recognition Certificate at once. In order to do that it is extremely important to receive all the documents together with the applications from the beginning.

Consequently, you are requested to send the application in good time in order to allow ample time for FMA to deal with the application. You should expect at least 2 weeks for handling of each case.

Prior to the issuance of any Recognition Certificate, we shall be expecting the following documents to be attached to the application:

1. Application form
2. Passport photo in JPEG format
3. Copy of Certificate(s) of competency/proficiency with STCW endorsement
4. Copy of Faroese Medical Certificate for Seafarers and Fishermen (not older than two years) *)
5. Documentation of payment of DKK 500 that has been transferred to our account
6. Documentation for citizenship (copy of page with photo in passport)
7. Copy of the Basic safety training and instruction certificate

In addition, for senior officers (masters, chief officers, chief engineers and 2nd engineers) the application must be accompanied by the following:

8. Copy of a certificate to prove the completion of the mandatory Faroese law course

and in addition, for masters the application must be accompanied by the following:

9. Documentation for a course in "Medical Care on board ships, equipped with ship's medicine chest (from 1 Jan. 2014)

Be also aware that the application – for all officers - in certain cases also must be attached with the following:

10. Copy of ARPA certificate (for masters and deck officers only)
11. Copy of the Certificate for the operational interview for the seafarers whose country or education is not included in the list of approved countries (see the attached list)

All the documents shall be verified copies of true valid.

*) Please note that only the Faroese and the Danish form for the medical certificate is accepted. It can be downloaded from our home page, in the section Manning / Medical Certificate (see the form attached). The certificate must be signed by an approved maritime medical practitioner.

Approval of seafarers' education:

The Faroe Islands approve all institutions that have been approved by Denmark. Enclosed please find a list of their approved institutions.

Regarding certificates from other maritime institutions not included in the lists, please note that these seafarers are required to undergo an operational interview.

All interviews have to be conducted by the Centre of Maritime Studies & Engineering (Vinnuháskúlin) from Torshavn, Faroe Islands. The interview will be performed on line, via Skype, the presence of the applicant in the Faroe Islands is not necessary.

For further information, please contact the school (<http://www.vh.fo/default.asp?lang=uk>).

Encl.: Medical Certificate – Form

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