

## **LOCAL VESSELS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

### **Joint Sub-committee on Class I and Class IV Vessels**

#### **Information on Preparatory Maritime Course, Shipboard In-Service Training and One-day Refresher Course for Coxswains of Local Passenger Carrying Vessels**

##### **Purpose**

This paper provides, for members' perusal, information on previously endorsed courses and training, namely a preparatory maritime course and shipboard in-service training which local crew members must have completed before they become eligible for the issue of a Coxswain Grade 3 Certificate by the Marine Department, and a one-day refresher course to be completed by coxswains of local passenger carrying vessels once every three years and on a voluntary basis for the time being.

##### **Relevant Information**

2. The relevant information is set out in the following annexes:
  - 2.1 Annex 1 : Syllabus of Preparatory Maritime Course;
  - 2.2 Annex 2 : Items of Shipboard In-Service Training;
  - 2.3 Annex 3 : Shipboard In-Service Training Record; and
  - 2.4 Annex 4 : Syllabus of One-day Refresher Course for Coxswains of Local Passenger Carrying Vessels.

##### **Implementation Timetable**

3. The relevant requirements on the preparatory maritime course and shipboard in-service training will come into effect on 1 January 2014, subsequent to the amendment of the Rules for Local Certificates of Competency.

4. The one-day refresher course for coxswains of local passenger carrying vessels will be held starting 1 January 2014. Attendance will be voluntary for the time being.

5. The Marine Department is working on the accreditation of the preparatory maritime course and the one-day refresher course for coxswains organised by the Maritime Services Training Institute and the Hong Kong Seaman's Union.

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