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To,  
OWNERS/MANAGERS, DEPUTY COMMISSIONERS (DCS), COMPANY SECURITY OFFICERS (CSOS),  
MASTERS, RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS (ROS)

SUBJET: **PRINCIPLES OF SAFE MANNING**

REFERENCE: **RESOLUTION A. 1047 (27 PRINCIPLES OF SAFE MANNING);  
SOLAS CHAPTER V REGULATION 14 & CHAPTER XI-2;  
ILO MARITIME LABOR CONVENTION 2006;  
STCW AS AMENDED.**

### **1. Purpose**

The purpose of this Circular is to establish guidelines with regards to the Principles of Safe Manning for obtaining a Minimum Safe Manning Certificate under this Administration.

### **2. Application**

A Minimum Safe Manning (MSM) certificate applies to all ships flagged under this Administration, engaged to international voyages, or operating from a port, or between ports in another country, except for:

- Fishing vessels;
- Pleasure yachts;
- Un-propelled vessels by mechanical means;
- Wooden ships of primitive build;
- Under tow vessels.

### **3. General**

A MSM certificate designates the minimum crew required on board the vessel in order for the same to be sufficiently and efficiently manned in accordance with existing national laws and international regulations.



#### 4. Procedure

- Owner/Manager should complete the relevant section of the Application form and submit to ANAM their manning proposal in accordance with the manning tables of this Administration;
- When a vessel changes type and/or function which requires an amendment to the manning level of the same, the Owner/Manager may forward a request in writing to ANAM setting out their proposal for MSM;
- Special conditions requested by the Owner/Manager must be approved by the Technical Committee. A record of this approval shall be noted on the vessels file;
- In case that the Owner/Manager requests a vessel to be marked as having a “Periodically Unattended Machinery Space”, the relevant confirmation from the RO shall be received;

#### 5. Contact

Should you require any additional information, you may contact our Technical Department as provided below:

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We take this opportunity to reassure that human life, marine environment and property are always considered as a priority for the Maritime Administration of Comoros which is committed to the safety of the maritime industry and the users around the world.

