

Temporary Guidance for Renewal of Merchant Mariner Credentials during the COVID-19 Pandemic

The Office of Merchant Mariner Credentialing has published CG-MMC Policy Letter 03-20. This policy letter provides temporary guidance for renewal of a Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC) and STCW endorsements for Proficiency in Survival Craft (PSC), Proficiency in Survival Craft-Limited (PSC-Ltd), Proficiency in Fast Rescue Boats (FRB), Basic Training (BT), and Advanced Firefighting (AFF) for MMCs with expiration dates from March 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021.

This policy is available on the Coast Guard website: <u>https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/Assistant-Commandant-for-Prevention-Policy-CG-5P/Commercial-Regulations-standards-CG-5PS/Office-of-Merchant-Mariner-Credentialing/CG-MMC-2/CG-MMC-2-New-Policies/</u>. It may also be accessed by clicking "Policy & Regulations" on the National Maritime Center's website: <u>www.uscg.mil/NMC</u>.

Mariners and other interested parties should contact the Mariner Credentialing Program Policy Division at (202) 372-2357 or <u>MMCPolicy@uscg.mil</u> with any questions or feedback.

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