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Reopening of RECs Charleston, New Orleans, and New York

The National Maritime Center (NMC) is reopening Regional Examination Centers (RECs) Charleston, New Orleans, and New York for **limited examination services** beginning *Monday, September 21, 2020*. Additionally, RECs Boston, Honolulu, Houston, Juneau, Long Beach, Memphis, Miami, Seattle, and Toledo, and Monitoring Units (MUs) Ketchikan and San Juan are open for limited services. Mariners seeking to schedule examinations at these locations may do so by contacting the appropriate e-mail address or phone number:

REC Boston - recboston@uscg.mil

REC Charleston - reccha@uscg.mil

REC Honolulu - rechonolulu@uscg.mil

REC Houston – <u>rechoustonexam@uscg.mil</u>

REC Juneau - recjun@uscg.mil

REC Long Beach - reclb@uscg.mil

REC Memphis - recmemphis@uscg.mil

REC Miami – <u>recmia@uscg.mil</u> or (305) 536-4331

REC New Orleans - recnola@uscg.mil

REC New York - recny@uscg.mil

REC Seattle - recseattle@uscg.mil

REC Toledo – <u>rectol@uscg.mil</u>

MU Ketchikan – (907) 225-4496 (extension #3)

MU San Juan – (787) 729-2368

- Examination appointment request e-mails should include the applicant's name, mariner reference number, requested testing date(s), phone number, and a copy of their Approved to Test letter(s).
- Exam services will be by **appointment only**. No walk-in appointments are available and all other application customer service functions will continue to be handled remotely.

• Mariners will be subject to COVID-19 screening questions and a temperature check.

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- Mariners experiencing COVID-19 symptoms (fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath
 or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or
 smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, or diarrhea), will not
 be permitted to enter the REC/MU and will need to reschedule their appointment.
- Mariners are required to wear a face covering at all times. Those who refuse to wear a
 face covering, or remove face coverings during exams, will be dismissed and could be
 subject to examination module failure. Persons with documented health issues which
 prevent them from wearing face coverings must notify the REC/MU when scheduling an
 appointment.
- All exams fees must be satisfied prior to arriving at the REC for your exam. <u>Pay.gov</u> is the preferred method of payment. A receipt or other proof of payment will be required in order to take an examination and should be e-mailed to the REC prior to your arrival.
- Mariners should bring their own #2 pencils, photo ID, a non-programmable calculator, and plotting equipment. No other personal belongings are allowed in the facility.
- All counter service appointments and hand delivery of applications remain suspended.

The Customer Service Center remains open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday. Please reach our call center at 1-888-IASKNMC (427-5662) or IASKNMC@uscg.mil. The NMC will announce future REC/MU openings shortly.

Sincerely,

/K. R. Martin/

Kirsten R. Martin Captain, U.S. Coast Guard Commanding Officer

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