



TUVALU SHIP REGISTRY

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MANNING REQUIREMENTS FOR TUVALU SHIPS

1. Required Minimum Number of Deck Officers:
 - a. No Tuvaluan ship registered under the Tuvalu Merchant Shipping Act shall be navigated unless she has onboard and in her service a duly licensed Master.
 - b. The number of mates and bridge watch officers required, and the grades in which they shall be duly licensed, shall be prescribed for each Tuvaluan ship by the Registrar, or an official who is authorised to act for and on behalf of the TUVALU SHIP REGISTRY.

2. Required Minimum Number of Engineers:
 - a. No Tuvaluan ship propelled by machinery of 300 KW or greater shall be navigated unless she has onboard and in her service a duly licensed Chief Engineer.
 - b. The number of assistant engineers and engine room watch officers required, and the grades in which they shall be duly licensed, shall be prescribed for each Tuvaluan ship by the Registrar, or an official who is authorised to act for and on behalf of the TUVALU SHIP REGISTRY.

3. Required Minimum Number of Ratings:
 - a. The Registrar, or an official who is authorised to act for and on behalf of the TUVALU SHIP REGISTRY, may prescribe for any vessel a required minimum number of crew members to be rated and/or certified, as he/she deems fit.

4. Required Minimum Number of Certificated Persons Proficient in Survival Craft:
 - a. Every passenger vessel shall carry a number of certificated survival craft crew in accordance with the certificate issued for the vessel by the Registrar, or an official who is authorised to act for and on behalf of the TUVALU SHIP REGISTRY, for each lifeboat, or survival craft onboard. This certificate shall be conspicuously posted.

5. Minimum Safe Manning Certificate:
 - a. The Registrar, or an official who is authorised to act for and on behalf of the TUVALU SHIP REGISTRY, shall issue to each vessel a Minimum Safe Manning Certificate stating the required minimum number of officers and crew, in specified grades and ratings, which has been prescribed for the safe navigation and operation of the vessel. This certificate shall be conspicuously posted.



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ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS UNDER CHAPTER V OF THE STCW CODE

1. For Tankers (Gas, Liquefied, Crude or Chemical):
 - a. Masters, Officers and Ratings assigned with specific duties and responsibilities related to cargo or cargo equipment on tankers must hold a certificate of competency in accordance to Reg. V/1, STCW 95.

2. For Ro/Ro Passenger Ships:
 - a. Masters, Officers and Ratings and all other personnel serving onboard Ro/Ro passenger ships engaged on international voyages must hold a certificate of competency in accordance to Reg. V/2, STCW 95.

3. For Passenger Ships other than Ro/Ro Passenger Ships:
 - a. Masters, Officers and Ratings and all other personnel serving onboard passenger ships, other than Ro/Ro passenger ships, engaged on international voyages must hold a certificate of competency in accordance to Reg. V/3, STCW 95.



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FOR: Ship Owners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Ship Masters, Ship Officers, Classification Societies and Port State Inspectors

REVISED MINIMUM SAFE MANNING SCALE

As part of our quality measures in improving the Tuvalu Ship Registry, with effect from 12 May 2009, the minimum safe manning scale has been revised as follows:

PART A - DECK OFFICERS

GT	Minimum qualified Officers & Ratings				Remarks
	Master	Ch. Mate	OOW	Ratings	
3000 & abv	1(a)	1(b)	2(c)	3(d)	For voyage within 600 nm and not more than 96 hrs - less 1 OOW
1600 - 2999	1(e)	1(f)	1(c)	3(d)	For voyage less than 72 hrs - less 1 Deck Rating
500 - 1599	1(e)		2(c)	3(d)	i) For voyage less than 48 hrs - less 1 OOW ii) For voyage less than 72 hrs - less 1 Deck Rating
200 - 499	1(g)		1(h)	2(d)	For voyage more than 72 hrs - add 1 OOW
Below 200	1(g)		1(h)	1(d)	For voyage less than 8 hrs - less 1 OOW

Certificate Type

- (a) COC under Reg II/2 (Master on ships above 3000 GT)
- (b) COC under Reg II/2 (Chief Mate on ships above 3000 GT)
- (c) COC under Reg II/1 (OOW on ships of 500 GT and above)
- (d) Certification of ratings forming part of a navigational watch, Reg II/4
- (e) COC under Reg II/2 (Master on ships between 500 and 3000 GT)
- (f) COC under Reg II/2 (Chief Mate on ships between 500 and 3000 GT)
- (g) COC under Reg II/3 (Master on ships less than 500 GT)
- (h) COC under Reg II/3 (OOW on ships less than 500 GT)

PART B - ENGINEER OFFICERS

KW	Minimum qualified Engineers & Ratings				Remarks
	Ch. Engr	2 nd Engr	EOW	Ratings	
3000 & abv	1(a)	1(b)	1(c)	3(d)	i) UMS – less 2 Engine Ratings ii) For voyage less than 48 hrs - less 1 EOW & 1 Engine Ratings
750 - 2999	1(e)	1(f)		2(d)	i) UMS - less 1 Engine Ratings ii) For voyage less than 48 hrs - less 1 Engine Ratings
749 & below		1(f)	1(c)	1(d)	i) UMS - less 1 EOW ii) For voyage less than 48 hrs - less 1 Engine Ratings

Certificate Type

- (a) COC under Reg III/2 (C/E on ships above 3000 KW)
- (b) COC under Reg III/2 (2/E on ships above 3000 KW)
- (c) COC under Reg III/1 (EOW on ships above 750 KW)
- (d) Certification of ratings forming part of an engine watch, Reg III/4
- (e) COC under Reg III/3 (C/E on ships between 750 and 3000 KW)
- (f) COC under Reg III/3 (2/E on ships between 750 and 3000 KW)

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION OF RADIO PERSONNEL

Area A1	At least 1 officer with GMDSS Restricted Operator’s Cert (ROC)
Area A2	At least 1 officer with GMDSS General Operator’s Cert (GOC)
Area A3	At least 2 officers with GMDSS GOC or 1 dedicated officer with a GMDSS GOC
Area A4	At least 2 officers with GMDSS GOC or 1 dedicated officer with a GMDSS GOC

Legend:

- UMS - Unmanned Machinery Space
- OOW - Officer on Watch
- EOW - Engine Officer on Watch

NOTE: Only officers are required to hold Certificates of Endorsement (COE).
Ratings not required

Yours sincerely

Deputy Registrar
Tuvalu Ship Registry