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Pursuant to Section 18(1)(2), Section 19(1)(3), Section 20(3) and Section 25(4) of the Act on the Manning of Ships, cf. Consolidated Act No. 74 of 17 January 2014, Section 4(3) of the Act on the Employment Relationship of Seafarers, etc, cf. Consolidated Act No. 1662 of 17 December 2018, and Section 3(1)(7) of the Maritime Safety Act, cf. Consolidated Act No. 221 of 11 February 2022, shall be adopted by virtue of the authorisation provided for in Section 1(1)(2)(3) and (6) of Order No. 261 of 23 March 2020 on the transfer of certain powers to the Danish Maritime Authority and on right to appeal, etc:

Section 1. The Danish Maritime Authority may determine that the following provisions may be waived, subject to Subsection 2:

- 1) Requirements for the renewal of medical care certificates, see Section 6(2), of Order No. 1116 of 10 October 2014 on courses and certificates for medical care on ships (the maritime medical care courses).
- 2) Requirements for the renewal of seafarers' certificates, cf. Sections 58(1-5), and 7, of Order No. 1145 of 29 September 2015 on qualification requirements for seafarers and fishermen and on seafarers' and fishermen's certificates, as amended.
- 3) Maximum period for which health certificates remain valid after the expiry of the validity period of the certificate, cf. Section 19(2) of Order No. 933 of 23 June 2020 on the medical examination of seafarers and fishermen.
- 4) Requirements for the shipowner and the master, pursuant to Section 25(1)(1) of the Act on the Manning of Ships or regulations issued pursuant to Section 25(4) of the Act concerning the renewal or refreshing of prescribed training, qualification or certification requirements for seafarers.

Subsection 2. The Danish Maritime Authority may determine that a deviation from Subsection 1 is required to the extent that it would be impossible or disproportionately difficult to fulfil the obligations as a result of measures taken to contain or prevent the spread of COVID-19. The Danish Maritime Authority may hereby decide that medical care certificates pursuant to Subsection 1(1), are renewed for a period of a maximum of six months without completion of a refresher course that maritime certificates pursuant to Subsection 1(2) shall be renewed for a maximum period of six months and that the health certificates referred to in Subsection 1(3) shall be renewed for a period exceeding three months but not exceeding six months.

Entry into force

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Section 2. The Order shall enter into force on 18 February 2022.

Subsection 2. The Order shall be repealed on 31 December 2022.

The Danish Maritime Authority, 15 February 2022

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