

	<p align="center">Familiarisation Information for Officers at the Management Level Directive 2012</p>	<p align="center">Directive 003 - 2012</p>
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The Director of the Department of Marine Services and Merchant Shipping, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 7, sub-section (3) of the Merchant Shipping Act 2006, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, makes the following Directive.

1 Citation and commencement,

This Directive may be cited as the Familiarisation Information for Officers at the Management Level Directive 2012 and shall come into force on 1st September 2012.

2 Revocation.

Directive 02-2002 is revoked and replaced in its entirety by this Directive.

3 Purpose.

- (i). Regulation I/10.2 of the STCW Convention 1978, as amended, requires that each administration shall have measures designed to ensure that seafarers who present for, recognition, certificates issued under the provisions of regulations II/2, III/2 or III/3, or issued under regulation VII/I, at the management level, as defined in the STCW Code, have an appropriate knowledge of the maritime legislation of the Administration relevant to the functions they are permitted to perform.
- (ii). The intent of this Directive is to establish the measures in place for service in Antigua and Barbuda ships to meet this requirement.

4 Antigua and Barbuda Senior Officer's Handbook.

- (i). Every Master, Chief Engineer, Chief mate, and Second Engineer making application for recognition of their certificate of competency in order to serve in an Antigua and Barbuda ship shall sign and submit a declaration in the form set by ADOMS to state that they have obtained a copy and read the Antigua and Barbuda Senior Officer's Handbook.

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Signed by the authority of the Director of the Department of Marine Services and Merchant Shipping