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MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT
(CAP. 234)

Merchant Shipping (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations, 2002

IN exercise of the powers conferred by article 374 of the Merchant Shipping Act, the Minister for Transport and Communications has made the following regulations –

Citation and commencement.

1. (1) The title of these regulations is the Merchant Shipping (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations, 2002 and they shall be read and construed as one with the Merchant Shipping (Fees) Regulations, 1973, hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations". L.N. 64 of 1973.

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 1st January, 2003:

Provided that the fee payable in respect of any item provided for in the principal regulations, both before and after the coming into force of these regulations, shall be that applicable on the day the certificate was issued or the service was given irrespective of when such fees are being paid.

Deletes regulation 2 of the principal regulations.

2. Regulation 2 of the principal regulations shall be deleted and regulation 3 shall be renumbered as regulation 2.

Amends regulation 2 as renumbered of the principal regulations.

3. Immediately at the end of regulation 2 as renumbered of the principal regulations there shall be added the following proviso –

" Provided that the Minister may, under such conditions as deemed appropriate, exempt any person or class of persons, or any ship or class of ships, from all or part of the fees payable in terms of these regulations.".

Amends the Schedule to the principal regulations.

4. The Schedule to the principal regulations shall be amended as follows –

(a) the words "(Regulation 3)" shall be deleted and substituted by the words "(Regulation 2)":

(b) PART 1 shall be amended as follows –

(i) immediately after the words "in connection with Registration" in the first paragraph there shall be added the words "and other services given by the Directorate of Merchant Shipping of the Malta Maritime Authority, hereinafter referred to as the Directorate of Merchant Shipping";

(ii) for the item "Issue, renewal and extension of any certificate of registry" and the relative fee thereto, there shall be substituted the following –:

"Extension of any certificate of registry ....Lm 20";

(iii) the fee relative to the item "Registry of any change in the registered ownership of a registered ship" shall be substituted by the words "Lm 100";

(iv) for the items "Registration of mortgage or special privilege or registration of any transaction related to a registered mortgage or special privilege" and "Registry anew" and the relative fees thereto, there shall be substituted the following –

"Registration of mortgage or special privilege on a registered ship ..... Lm 200

Any transaction related to a registered mortgage or special privilege other than discharge of a mortgage or a special privilege the registration of which was recorded by the Registrar on or after the 1st January, 2003 ..... Lm 100";

(v) the fee relative to the item "Registry of any other change in the register of a ship" shall be substituted by the words "Lm 50";

(vi) the fee relative to the item "Endorsement of any certificate of registry" shall be substituted by the words "Lm 10";

(vii) the fee relative to the item "Issue of certificate denoting change in the register of a ship" shall be substituted by the words "Lm 20";

(viii) for the item "Issue of any other certificate in terms of the Merchant Shipping Act not specified above" and the relative fee thereto, there shall be substituted the following –

"Issue of consent, or extension thereto, for the bareboat charter registration of a Maltese ship in another registry ..... Lm 20

Issue of any other certificate in terms of the Merchant Shipping Act not specified above and which is not any certificate of registry or any certificate denoting renewal thereto ..... Lm 20";

(ix) for the item "Issue of Maltese Seaman Identity Card or Seaman's Record Book, new, in substitution of or in continuation of" and the relative fee thereto, there shall be substituted the following –

"Issue of safe manning certificate ..... Lm 50

Re-issue of safe manning certificate ..... Lm 10";

(x) in the item "Any other service not specified above" immediately after the words "not specified above" there shall be added the words "and which is not an issue or renewal of any certificate of registry";

(xi) in the item starting with the words "In addition to the fees specified above" –

- immediately after the words "Shipping Master" there shall be added the words "or any other official of the Directorate of Merchant Shipping";

- for the words "business of the Directorate of Merchant Shipping of the Malta Maritime Authority," there shall be substituted the words "business of that Directorate,";

(c) PART 2 shall be deleted;

(d) for PART 3 there shall be substituted the following –

"PART 3. Fees for certificates and other documents issued to seafarers

For the purpose of this Part "certification regulations" means the Merchant Shipping (A.B. and E.D.H Certificates) Regulations, 2001 and the Merchant Shipping (Training and Certification) Regulations, 2001.

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Issue or revalidation of any certificate in terms of the certification regulations other than an endorsement certificate in recognition of a certificate not issued in terms of the certification regulations	Lm 10
Issue of an endorsement certificate in recognition of any certificate not issued in terms of the certification regulations	Lm 22
Re-issue or replacement of any certificate issued in terms of the certification regulations	50% of fee applicable for issue of original certificate
Issue of Maltese Seaman Identity Card or Seaman's Record Book, new, in substitution of or in continuation of	Lm 5"; and

(e) PART 4 shall be deleted.

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