

# Palau International Ship Registry



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## MARINE NOTICE 230.1

**To: ALL SHIPOWNERS, MANAGERS, MASTERS, AND REGISTRATION OFFICERS OF MERCHANT SHIPS AND RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS.**

**Subject: AMENDMENT TO SECTION 56 OF STANDARDS OF TRAINING CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR SEAFARERS (STCW) REGULATION 2017**

### 1. Introduction:

This Marine Notice reflects the Administration of Palau Administrator to safeguard the implementation of the STCW Convention on Palau Flag Ships.

### 2. References:

- Republic of Palau Maritime Regulations / 26-june-2012, Reg. 1.5)
- Standards of Training Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW) Regulation 2017

### 3. Applicability:

This notice applies to the owners of ships registered in Palau International Ship Registry and to any person who is employed or engaged or works in any capacity on board to same ships.

This Marine Notice has the force and effect of a Regulation (Republic of Palau Maritime Regulations / 26-june-2012, Reg. 1.5)

### 4.

Section 56 of Standards of Training Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW) Regulation 2017, is amended as follows:

#### ***“Penalties:***

**56.** *The shipowner or Master or a crew member of a ship shall be liable for the following penalties if found not in compliance with these STCW regulations.*

(1) *A Company or a Master who contravenes standards of training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW) regulations 2017, Part 2, Part 4 & Part 5/section 52 - 53 is guilty of an offence, punishable on summary conviction by a fine of not less 2.500 USD and not more than 5.000 USD.*

(2) *A chief engineer or a member of the crew who contravenes Part 2, Part 4 & Part 5/section 52 of the same as above Regulations is guilty of an offence, punishable on summary conviction by a fine of not less 2.000 USD and not more than 5.000 USD.*

(3) *In addition to the above defined penalties, PISR in certain cases may withdraw, cancel or suspend certificates issued to seafarers found guilty of non-compliance with the same regulations.*



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- (4) *It is a defense for a person charged with an offence under section 56 of Standards of Training Certification and Watchkeeping for seafarers (STCW) regulation 2017 that the person took all reasonable steps to avoid commission of the offence.*
- (5) *In any proceedings for an offence under above Regulations, consisting of a failure to comply with a duty or requirement to do something so far as it is reasonably practicable, it is for the person charged to prove that it was not reasonably practicable to do more than was in fact done to satisfy the duty or requirement.”*
- (6) *An appeal against a decision which is related to the present section (56), shall be examined by a Tripartite Committee consisting by a person of PISR Administration, a person representing the Industry and a person representing the Seafarers.*

**\*\*This Marine Notice supersedes all previous Marine Notices with the same subject\*\***

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