



## MONGOLIA SHIP REGISTRY

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**Applicable to:** Shipowners, classification societies, operators, masters and the shipping community

### REPORTING CERTIFICATE FRAUD AND PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL INCOMPETENCE

Mongolian Sea Exploitation Law and the Mongolian Ship Registration Regulations demand the highest standards of proper navigation of the vessel, and the safety of passengers, crew, cargo, ship and the environment. Under Section 33 of the Merchant Shipping (Certification and Manning) Rules, it is an offence to use fraudulent documents (such as COE) to serve on a Mongolian ship. This circular serves as a reminder of the obligations of mariners toward reporting certificate of competence and special qualification certificate fraud and the lack of professional qualifications and technical skills.

Shipowners, Operators, Crewing Agents and Masters are encouraged to immediately report any officer and/or rating who does not display sufficient technical skills, professional qualifications or any evidence or suspicion that a certificate of competency, Certificate of Endorsement or special qualification was obtained by fraudulent means, by letter, fax, telex, telephone or email to MONGOLIA SHIP REGISTRY.

The report should include, but not be limited to, as much of the following details as possible:

- Name & Nationality of the seafarer involved
- Address of the seafarer involved
- Certificate of Competency, special qualification, seafarers ID, Discharge book or COE number
- Nature of the certificate fraud, e.g. counterfeit, bribery in obtaining foreign certificate submitted for COE application, forgery of COE, falsification of sea service, etc.
- Description of certificate, special qualifications, ID, COE including grade, date issued, who issued.
- Capacity in which the seafarer is/or was employed on the vessel. The vessel's name.
- Identity, if possible, any other person(s) or organization that may have been involved in the fraudulent procurement of the document.
- Fraudulent document or copy of the fraudulent document
- Any other information that may be useful for investigation into the case.

For further clarification, please contact the Mongolia Ship Registry.

Yours sincerely

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