



# SHIP SAFETY BULLETIN

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**Subject:** Transitional Provisions Related to the Issuance of Security Certificates of Proficiency End June 30, 2014

## Purpose

The purpose of this bulletin is to inform the stakeholders of the end date of the transitional provisions related to the issuance of the *Ship Personnel with Designated Security Duties* and the *Ship Personnel without Designated Security Duties* certificates of proficiency.

## Scope

This bulletin applies to all seafarers required to hold a *Ship Personnel with Designated Security Duties* or the *Ship Personnel without Designated Security Duties* certificate of proficiency under the:

- *Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW) Convention;*
- Proposed Regulations Amending the *Marine Transportation Security Regulations;* and
- Marine Security Operations Bulletin 2012-002 and its supplement #2013-003.

## Background

Under the provisions of the STCW Convention, seafarers were required to hold a *Ship Personnel with Designated Security Duties* or a *Ship Personnel without Designated Security Duties* certificate of proficiency before January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014. To obtain such certificates, a seafarer is required to have completed either a security training course or to have submitted a *Transport Canada Testimonial of Security Duties Performed* (86-0065E) form to Transport Canada Marine Safety and Security, in addition to meeting all other prescribed requirements.

Due to the late availability of form 86-0065E, masters and authorized representatives did not have sufficient time to prepare the documents for seafarers who were eligible under the transitional provisions to obtain a *Ship Personnel with Designated Security Duties* or a *Ship Personnel without Designated Security Duties* certificate of proficiency by January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014. Consequently, Transport

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Canada Marine Safety and Security did authorize the issuance of security certificates of proficiency beyond that date.

### **TC Policy**

With this Ship Safety Bulletin, Transport Canada Marine Safety and Security is introducing an end date of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 for the transitional provisions related to the issuance of the *Ship Personnel with Designated Security Duties* or the *Ship Personnel without Designated Security Duties* certificate of proficiency.

Note that the date of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 does not have any effect on the sea service requirements. The requirements to obtain a security certificate of proficiency remain the same.

After June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014, all seafarers will need to complete a security training course to obtain a *Ship Personnel with Designated Security Duties* or a *Ship Personnel without Designated Security Duties* certificate of proficiency.