

Merchant Shipping Directorate



MINIMUM BASIC WAGE

Merchant Shipping Notice 108 Rev 4

Notice to Shipowners, Ship Operators, Managers, Masters, Owners' Representatives and Recognised Organisations

The Directorate would like to draw the attention of all concerned that in accordance with Rule 51 of the Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour Convention) Rules, the minimum basic wage for a calendar month of service for an able seafarer shall not be less than USD 690 on the 1 January 2026. As of the 1 January 2027 it shall not be less than USD 704 and as of 1 January 2028, it shall not be less than USD 715 or the equivalent thereof in the specific currency stated in the agreement with the crew.

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