

Section II/13**Ref : M.S. (STCW) Rules 2014****Rule 32 : Masters on ships of less than 500 gross tonnage engaged on Near-Coastal Voyages.**

1. The approved seagoing service required by Rule 32 (2) (b) of chapter II of M.S. (STCW) Rules 2014 is **not less than 12 months** as Officer in Charge of a Navigational Watch on a sea-going ship of less than 500 gross tonnage engaged on Near-Coastal Voyages.
For details of 'approved sea-going service, please refer to Section II/18 of this chapter.
2. The Master is to issue a watch-keeping certificate in the prescribed format for the sea-going service performed by the officer. The prescribed format is given in **Appendix II/2**.
3. The approved post-sea education and training as required by Rule 32 (2) (c) of chapter II of M.S. (STCW) Rules 2014 is shown in Table No. II/13-1 below :

Table II/13-1

| Name of Course | Duration | Applicability | Course Details |
|--|-----------------|---|-----------------------|
| Chief Mate (NCV) Phase I and Phase II Competency Courses | 3 months each | Holder of NWKO (NCV) certificate of competency, having completed the approved sea-going service as required | Appendix II/8 |
| Radar, ARPA, and Navigation Simulator Course (RANSCO) | 6 Days | Holder of NWKO (NCV) Certificate of Competency, having completed at-least 6 months of approved sea-going service. | Appendix II/2C |
| Medical Care (MEDICARE) | 10 Days | Holder of NWKO (NCV) Certificate of Competency | Appendix VI/4B |
| ECDIS Course | 5 days | (if not done earlier) | Appendix II/1K |

4. Examination and assessment for the certificate of competency as Master on ships of less than 500 gross tonnage engaged in Near-Coastal Voyages – **M (NCV < 500 GT)** will be held as follows :
- 4.1 Scrutiny by assessment centre of satisfactory completion of approved sea-going service.
 - 4.2 Satisfactory completion of an approved Chief Mate (NCV) Phase I & Phase II Competency Courses
 - 4.3 Satisfactory completion of Radar and ARPA Navigation Simulator Course (RANSCO)
 - 4.4 Satisfactory completion of Medical Care Course (MEDICARE)
 - 4.5 Satisfactory completion of approved written and oral examinations.
5. A summary of the seagoing service, post-sea education and training, examination, assessment and certification is given in Flow Diagram No. II/10 below :-

Flow Diagram No. II/10

