



TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

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I ASSENT,

B. E. H. CLIFFORD,

Governor.

26th January, 1946.

AN ORDINANCE to make provision for the examination of, and the grant of certificates of competency to masters, mates and engineers of intercolonial ships.

Commence-
ment.

[By Notice.]

Enactment.

ENACTED by the Governor of Trinidad and Tobago with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof.

Short title and
commence-
ment.

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1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Amendment) Ordinance, 1946, and shall be read as one with the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, and shall come into force on such date as the Governor may declare by notice in the *Royal Gazette*.

2. In this Ordinance—

Definitions.

“intercolonial ship” includes every ship employed in trading or going between some place or places in the Colony and some place or places between the equator and latitude 28° N. and east of longitude 90° W. and west of longitude 50° W. except coastal ships;

“master” includes every person (except a pilot) having command or charge of any ship.

3. (1) The Governor may, on the recommendation of a duly appointed Board of Examiners, grant certificates of competency for an intercolonial ship as master, mate or engineer, in accordance with this Ordinance.

Governor may grant inter-colonial certificates of competency.

(2) No certificate of competency as intercolonial master, mate or engineer shall be delivered to any person under the provisions of this Ordinance unless or until he shall have undergone and passed the form and colour vision tests from time to time approved in the United Kingdom by the Board of Trade for the examination of masters and mates in the Mercantile Marine.

4. (1) Examinations for intercolonial masters, mates and engineers shall be held at such times and places as the Governor may from time to time by notice in the *Royal Gazette* appoint. Such notice shall specify the fees to be paid by the candidate for such examination.

Examination for certificates of competency.

(2) The Governor in Council may make rules, which shall be strictly adhered to by the examiners for:

- (a) the qualifications of examiners and the remuneration to be paid to them,
- (b) the qualifications of the candidates,
- (c) the conduct of the examinations.

(3) The Governor may appoint a Board of Examiners consisting of two or more qualified examiners, and may remove and re-appoint such examiners.

5. (1) The Governor shall, subject as hereinafter mentioned, deliver to every applicant who is duly reported by the examiners to have passed the examination satisfactorily and to have given proof of his sobriety, experience, ability, and general good conduct on board ship, such a certificate of competency as the case requires.

Certificates on passing examination.

(2) The Governor may, in any case in which a report appears to him to be unsatisfactory, remit the case either to the examiners who made the report or to any other examiners, and may require a re-examination of the applicant, or a further inquiry into his testimonials and character, before granting him a certificate.

Form and
record of
certificate.

6. (1) All certificates of competency shall be made in duplicate, one part to be delivered to the person entitled to the certificate and one to be preserved.

(2) Such last-mentioned part of the certificate shall be preserved, and a record of certificates of competency and the suspending, cancelling, or altering of the certificates and any other matter affecting them shall be kept, in such manner and by such person as the Governor in Council directs.

Loss of
certificate.
Delivery of a
copy.

7. If an officer proves to the satisfaction of the Governor that he has, without fault on his part, lost or been deprived of a certificate already granted to him in the Colony, the Governor shall, and in any other case may, upon payment of such fee (if any) as he may direct, cause to be delivered to the officer a copy of the certificate to which, by the record kept in pursuance of this Ordinance, he appears to be entitled; and the copy shall have all the effect of the original.

Passed in Council this ninth day of January, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-six.

W. J. BOOS,
Clerk of the Council.