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POEA extends accreditation of sea-based principals

The Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA) has extended temporary extension of accreditation of sea-based principals until September 12, 2022, coinciding with the period wherein the Philippines is declared under the state of calamity.

With the global surge of COVID-19 cases in the past two years, and in support to the operations of licensed manning agencies (LMAs), the POEA granted extension of validity of accreditation with their respective principals.

All LMAs with accreditation which will expire within the period of February 1 to September 11, 2022 and cannot comply with the renewal and upgrading of accreditation of principals, may also request extension until September 12, 2022 subject to strict adherence with the conditions set for the under Memorandum Circular No. 35 Series of 2020.

The further extension of accreditation validity shall be subject to submission of request letter citing the reason of the non-renewal of accreditation or non-upgrading of provisional accreditation together with the list of active and inactive vessels.

Manning agencies that will avail of the extension are advised to submit documents for renewal of principal's accreditation at least one month prior to their expiration.

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