



Resolution of 25 September 2020, from Instituto Social de la Marina (Social Marine Institute, ISM. Ministry of Inclusion, Social Security and Migration) about the extensions granted to the validity of preceptive certificates for the maritime-fishing sector, owing to COVID-19

The Resolution of 21 April 2020, from ISM, by means of which specific measures were updated, owing to COVID-19, in relation with specific social benefits and services of the maritime and fishing sectors, extended the validity of different preceptive certificates in order to guarantee the activity of the maritime and fishing sectors during the state of alarm and its successive extensions.

The transition to the new normality with the reopening of maritime health centers and the correction of the gaps in the activities of the centers caused during the health crisis, make necessary to revoke the measures adopted for the extension of the validity of certificates issued by the Spanish Social Marine Institute (ISM).

For all this and by virtue of the powers conferred in article 7.1 of Royal Decree 504/2011, of 8 April, on the organic structure and functions of the ISM, I hereby state:

First. Certificates of specific medical first aid training

The validity of the certificates of specific medical first aid training are considered extended until 31 December 2020, unless the six-month extension already applied as a result of the measures adopted due to COVID-19 expires prior to that date, in which case no further extension will be possible.

Second. Certificates of inspection of mandatory first aid kits on board the vessel

The validity of the certificates of inspection of mandatory first aid kits on board the vessel are considered extended until 31 December 2020, unless the six-month extension already applied as a result of the measures adopted due to COVID-19 expires prior to that date, in which case no further extension will be possible.

All this without prejudice to the postponement provided for in article 7.1 of Royal Decree 258/1999, of 12 February, establishing minimum conditions on the protection of the health and medical care of seafarers.

Third. Medical certificate for sea-service

The time of validity of the medical certificate for sea-service regulated by the Royal Decree 1696/2007, of 14 December, is considered extended until 31 October 2020 unless the six-month extension already applied as a result of the measures adopted due to COVID-19 expires prior to that date, in which case no further extension will be possible.

Notwithstanding the above, in the case of crewmembers onboard seagoing vessels on international voyages, if the period of validity of the certificate expires during a trip, the certificate will remain



valid until the date of arrival at the next port of call where the seafarer can obtain a medical certificate for sea-service issued by a medical practitioner of the ISM, provided that this validity extension does not exceeds three months.

Fourth. Repeal

Resolution of 21 April 2020 from ISM is repealed.

Madrid, 25 de septiembre de 2020. THE DIRECTOR OF THE SPANISH SOCIAL MARINE INSTITUTE,
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