



South African Maritime Safety Authority

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Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA) and the South African Maritime Safety Authority (SAMS) entered into on the 13th December 2018.

TO REGIONAL MANAGERS, PRINCIPAL OFFICERS, CHIEF EXAMINER, REGISTRAR OF SEAFARERS, EXAMINERS, ACCREDITED MARITIME RADIO TRAINING INSTITUTIONS, RADIO DEALERS, SHIP OWNERS, MASTERS, SHIP'S OFFICERS AND AFFECTED PARTIES.

Marine Notice No 7 of 2012 is hereby cancelled

Summary

The purpose of this Marine Notice is to summarize the obligations of SAMS in terms of the latest MoU between ICASA and SAMS.

1. BACKGROUND

This MoU replaces the previous MoU which was signed by the parties on the 6th December 2011.

2. APPOINTMENT

In terms of the MoU, ICASA appoints SAMS to carry out certain functions as provided for in the MoU.

3. OBLIGATIONS OF SAMS

In terms of the MoU, SAMS shall perform the following functions for, and on behalf of, ICASA:

- Issue all marine radio operator certification.
- Ensure compliance with the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and International Telecommunications Union (ITU) requirements or resolutions as required.
- Provide authentications of all marine radio operator certificates plus validations of Global Maritime Distress and Safety Systems (GMDSS) Certificates.
- Inspect ships to confirm compliance with ITU regulations and ICASA regulations and licence terms and conditions.

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