



# Kiribati Ship Registry

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## MARINE CIRCULAR 30/2015

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**TO : Ship Owners, Managers, Charterers, Ship Master and the Shipping Community**

**SUBJECT : ELECTRONIC CERTIFICATES OF ENDORSEMENT (COE)**

### PURPOSE

This Circular is to notify the shipping community that with effect of 1 October 2020, all Crew COE issued to officers serving on Kiribati flagged ships shall be issued in electronic format only.

### APPLICATION

This Marine Circular is relevant and applicable to all ship officers and radio operators issued with COC / DCE / GOC / SSO by other STCW member States serving on board Kiribati flagged vessels.  
*For more information on COE, please refer to Registry Circular RC/5/2012.*

### CONTENT

#### 1. Compliance to STCW regulations

- (a) All ship officers and radio operators serving on board Kiribati flagged ships are to have their COC / DCE / GOC / SSO endorsed by Kiribati.
- (b) Kiribati Ship Registry will recognize COC / DCE / GOC / SSO issued by an STCW member state through the issuance of a Kiribati COE.
- (c) All ship officers and radio operators must have their original COC / DCE / GOC / SSO and Kiribati issued COE with them when they go on board the vessel, with no exceptions.
- (d) To the best of their ability, all ship officers and radio operators are to ensure that their COC / DCE / GOC / SSO and accompanying COE stays valid for the entire duration of their intended service on board a Kiribati flagged vessel.

#### 2. Electronic PCOE/COEs

- (a) With greater acceptance of electronic certificates and documents worldwide, the Administration has fully implemented the use of electronic PCOE/COEs. This implies that all PCOE/COEs issued by the Administration from 01 October 2020 shall be in ELECTRONIC format only.
- (b) The Electronic PCOE/COEs issued by this Administration contains all features in accordance to IMO Circular FAL.5/Circ.39/Rev.2.
- (c) The Electronic PCOE/COE may be printed or held digitally by the seafarer together with his/her original COC/ DCE/ GOC / SSO.

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3. Verification of Electronic PCOEs/COEs:

- (a) Entering the unique "Certificate of Endorsement" number found on each electronic PCOE/COE at the online verification at <https://kiribaship.com/coe> (refer to sample below):

**CERTIFICATE OF ENDORSEMENT NUMBER: K202948**

- (b) Scanning the Quick Response (QR) Code found on the top-right hand corner of each Electronic PCOE/COE (refer to sample below):



- (c) Should there be queries or trouble with the above verification methods, please contact the Administration at [crew@kiribaship.com](mailto:crew@kiribaship.com) or at +65-6225-0555 for urgent assistance relating to the authenticity or validity of electronic PCOEs/COEs.

4. A copy of this Marine Circular may be placed on board a Kiribati flagged ship for presentation to PSC authorities upon request.

Yours sincerely,

Deputy Registrar  
Kiribati Ship Registry