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Recreational Navigation: International Certificate for Operators of Pleasure Craft
Resolution No. 40, Revision 4)

Questionnaire for Collecting Information on the Application of the International certificate for Operators of Pleasure Craft

Note by the secretariat

I. Mandate

1. This document is submitted in line with the proposed Programme Budget for 2024, part V, Regional cooperation for development, section 20, Economic Development in Europe, Programme 17, Economic Development in Europe (A/78/6 (Sect. 20), table 20.5).

2. At its sixty-fourth session, the Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation (SC.3/WP.3) discussed the draft questionnaire for collecting information on the Application of the International certificate for Operators of Pleasure craft (ICC) towards possibly reviewing resolution No. 40 and asked the secretariat to finalize the draft based on the comments made at the session and to prepare a questionnaire for recreational boaters (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/128), paragraphs 78 and 80).

3. The present document contains the questionnaires for (a) competent authorities for authorization of ICC and approved bodies for issuing of ICC, and (b) recreational boaters.

II. Questionnaire for Administrations Responsible for Recreational Navigation

4. Has your country accepted resolution No. 40?
   • Yes
   • Probably in the future
   • No.
5. If your country has not accepted resolution No. 40, what are the reasons for that:
   • Resolution No. 14 or another regulation is applied, allowing for the recognition of certificates of competence of operators of pleasure craft issued abroad (please indicate)
   • This issue is regulated by local authorities and regulations
   • There are no requests from recreational boaters who go abroad
   • There are no requests from recreational boaters who are nationals of another country who want to visit your national waters
   • There are no requests from recreational boaters who are residents of another country who want to visit your national waters
   • Information about the advantages of ICC is not available
   • Other reasons (please indicate).

6. In case your country has not yet accepted resolution No. 40, does it recognize ICC issued in accordance with this resolution?

7. If your country has accepted resolution No. 40, how many ICC are issued/renewed:
   • In total
   • Annually?

8. Is information available on the number of foreign recreational boaters visiting your country?

9. What certificates of competence of operators of pleasure craft other than ICC are recognized/required by your country:
   • In inland waters
   • In coastal waters?

10. Does your country issue ICC to nationals of another country:
    • Member States of the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) and/or any North American country
    • Countries that are not ECE member States?

11. Does your country issue ICC to residents of another country:
    • Member States of the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) and/or any North American country
    • Countries that are not ECE member States?

12. Does your country issue ICC to nationals of other ECE member States that have accepted resolution No. 40?

13. Does your country issue ICC to residents of other ECE member States that have accepted resolution No. 40?

14. Does your country recognize ICC:
    • Issued to nationals of your country by another country
    • Issued to nationals of another country by a third country?

15. Does your country recognize ICC:
    • Issued to residents of your country by another country
    • Issued to residents of another country by a third country?

16. Have you experienced problems related to the recognition of ICC in cases mentioned in questions 14 and 15? Please provide details.
17. Have you identified cases of:
   • ICC issued by a country that has not accepted resolution No. 40
   • Fake ICC?
18. In your opinion, does resolution No. 40 adequately regulate the issuance and recognition of ICC?
   • Yes
   • Partially
   • No
   • Other (please indicate).
19. In your opinion, is there a need for updating resolution No. 40?
   • Yes, some of the existing provisions would require revision (please provide details)
   • Yes, new provisions should be added (please provide details)
   • No.
20. The learning course on the application of ICC is available at the ECE Inland Transport and Trade Connectivity eLearning Platform. We invite you to visit https://learnitc.unece.org.

III. Questionnaire for Recreational Boaters

21. Which country are you a citizen of?
22. Which country are you resident in?
23. Please indicate which type of pleasure craft do you use?
   • Sailing pleasure craft
   • Motorized pleasure craft
   • Other craft (water bike, jetski etc.) (please provide details).
24. Please indicate where you operate pleasure craft?
   • In inland waters
   • In coastal waters.
25. What are the maximal parameters of the pleasure craft you are authorized to use?
   • Length
   • Deadweight
   • Engine output
   • Other.
26. Are there any restrictions for your authorization to operate pleasure craft (please provide details)?
   • For certain waters and/or waterways
   • For certain coastal waters
   • For certain types of craft
   • Other.
27. Do you hold an ICC issued in accordance with resolution No. 40?
   • Yes, I hold a valid ICC (please provide details on the country of issuance and the authority or authorized body that issued the certificate, if possible)
   • I am an ICC holder, but it has been expired
• No. I would like to obtain an ICC, but I have not been able to obtain it so far (please, provide details, if possible)
• No. I would like to obtain an ICC, but I do not know how to apply for it
• No, I have not applied for it. Another evidence of competence of operator of pleasure craft suffice (please provide details, if possible)
• No, I do not need ICC
• Other (please provide details, if possible).

28. If you an ICC holder (valid or expired), please provide details on the country of issuance and the authority or authorized body that issued the certificate, if possible.

29. If you are a holder of ICC that has been expired, what are the reasons for non-renewing your ICC?
• Personal reasons (health, age etc.)
• Change of nationality
• Change of residence
• I do not need it any longer
• Other (please provide details, if possible).

30. If you an ICC holder, have you used your ICC to evidence your competence when boating outside your home country?
• Yes, on my own boat (please provide details, if possible)
• Yes, on a hired/borrowed boat (please provide details, if possible)
• Other.

31. Have you had any difficulties with the acceptance of your ICC on the national waters? Please provide details, if possible.

32. Have you had any difficulties with the acceptance of your ICC abroad? Please provide details, if possible.
• Yes, due to additional requirements for the evidence of competence for certain waters/waterways
• Yes, due to restrictions for the acceptance of ICC I was not aware of
• Yes, due to the change of nationality and/or residence
• Yes, as the country I visited has not accepted resolution No. 40
• Yes, due to other reasons (please provide details, if possible)
• No.

33. Resolution No. 40 governs the issue of ICC. In your opinion, do the recommendations made in the resolution to competent authorities and approved bodies meet your needs in respect of:
• Availability of ICC on the basis of nationality
• Availability of ICC on the basis of residency
• Recognition of ICC on the basis of nationality
• Recognition of ICC on the basis of residency
• The level of competence ICC demonstrates
• The information that should be included on ICC
• The period of validity of the ICC
• Recognition of ICC abroad
• Any other issues you consider relevant (please provide details)?

34. In your opinion, is there a need for updating resolution No. 40?
   • Yes, some of the existing provisions would require revision (please provide details)
   • Yes, new provisions should be added (please provide details)
   • No.

35. In your opinion, what else could be done to make resolution No. 40 more effective?

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