

Section II/5**Ref : M.S. (STCW) Rules 2014*****Rule 24 : Chief Mate (First Mate of a foreign-going ship) on ships of between 500 and 3000 gross tonnage.***

1. The approved sea-going service required by Rule 24 (2) (b) of Chapter II of M.S. (STCW) Rules 2014 is **not less than six months** in the capacity of officer in charge of a navigational watch (OIC NW) on ships of 500 gross tonnage or more.

For details of ‘approved’ sea-going service, please refer to Section II/18 of this chapter.

2. The Master is to issue a watch-keeping certificate in the prescribed format for the sea-going service performed by the navigational watch officer. The prescribed format is given in **Appendix II/2**.
3. The approved post-sea education and training as required by Rule 24 (2) (c) of Chapter II of M.S. (STCW) Rules 2014 is shown in Table No. II/5-1 below :

Table No. II/5-1

Name of Course	Duration	Applicability	Course Details
Chief Mate F.G. Phase I Competency Course	3 months	Holder of OIC NW Certificate of Competency (Second Mate F.G.), having completed at-least 6 months of approved sea-going service as OIC NW on ships of 500 GT or more.	Appendix II/2A
Chief Mate F.G. Phase II Competency Course	3 Months	Holder of OIC NW Certificate of Competency (Second Mate F.G.), having satisfactorily completed the Phase I Competency Course.	Appendix II/2B
Radar, ARPA, and Navigation Simulator Course (RANSCO)	6 Days	Holder of OIC NW Certificate of Competency (Second Mate FG), having completed at-least 6 months of approved sea-going service.	Appendix II/2C

Name of Course	Duration	Applicability	Course Details
Medical Care (MEDICARE)	10 Days	Holder of OIC NW Certificate of Competency.	Appendix VI/4B
ECDIS Course	5 days	(if not done earlier)	Appendix II/1K

4. Examination and assessment for the certificate of competency as First Mate of a foreign-going ship on ships of between 500 and 3000 gross tonnage will be held as follows:
 - 4.1 Scrutiny by assessment centre of satisfactory completion of sea-going service.
 - 4.2 Satisfactory completion of Function: "Navigation at the management level". This will include approved competency courses (Phase I and Phase II) followed by written and oral examinations.
 - 4.3 Satisfactory completion of Function: "Cargo handling and stowage at the management level". This will include approved competency courses (Phase I and Phase II) followed by written and oral examinations.
 - 4.4 Satisfactory completion of Function: "Controlling the operation of the ship and care for persons on board at the management level". This will include approved competency courses (Phase I and Phase II), followed by written and oral examinations.
 - 4.5 Satisfactory completion of the following courses .
 - a) Radar, ARPA & Navigation Simulator Course (RANSCO);
 - b) Medical Care as set out in section A-VI/4, paragraphs 4 to 6 of the STCW Code. (MEDICARE)
 - c) ECDIS Course (if not done earlier)
5. All training and assessment successfully completed by any candidate must comply with the requirements of Regulation I/6 of STCW 2010, (Training and Assessment), along with sections A-I/6 and B-I/6 of the STCW Code, as well as Regulation I/8 of STCW 2010, (Quality Standards), along with sections A-I/8 and B-I/8 of the STCW Code
6. A summary of the sea-going service, post-sea education and training, examination, assessment and certification is given in Flow Diagram No. II/5-1 below :

Flow Diagram No. II/5-1

