



REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS

**MINISTRY OF BLUE ECONOMY, MARINE RESOURCES,
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**ISSUE OF CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION BY THE MINISTRY OF
LABOUR, HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING**

All ship owners, managers or operators of vessels flying the Mauritius flag and operating in Mauritius waters are requested to take cognizance of the following requirements of the Ministry of Labour, Human Resource Development and Training regarding the employment of foreign crew members on board Mauritius ships:

- a.** Foreign crew members falling under the categories of persons listed in items 9, 9A and 10 of Part II of the Schedule to the Non-Citizen (Employment Restriction) Act are now required to apply for a Certificate of Exemption:

*“9. Persons employed on foreign registered ships
when such ships are operating within Mauritius
waters*

*9A. Persons employed on board ships registered
under the Merchant Shipping Act*

*10. Persons employed on a foreign or locally
registered fishing boat, or fishing vessel, in
Mauritius”*

- b.** In order to obtain a Certificate of Exemption, the foreign crew member will be required to have a medical certificate issued by a registered Medical practitioner in Mauritius.

The application for the Certificate of Exemption should be addressed to the Ministry of Labour, Human Resource Development and Training and the modalities for same can be accessed on the above named Ministry's website:

<https://empment-labour.govmu.org/Pages/applications/Certificate-of-Exemption.aspx>

For more information on the above subject matter, kindly liaise with the Ministry of Labour, Human Resource Development and Training on +230 207 2600/ +230 405 0100.

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