

Course Syllabus

Course Title: ISM Certified Designated Person Ashore (DPA)



Course Duration:	urse Duration: 14 Hours	
Course Difficulty:	Advanced	
Course Category:	Leadership	

Learning Outcomes

- 1. Understanding of the ISM Code;
- 2. Mandatory rules and regulations;
- 3. Applicable codes, guidelines, and standards as appropriate;
- 4. Assessment techniques of examining, questioning, evaluating and reporting;
- 5. Technical or operational aspects of safety management;
- 6. Appropriate knowledge of shipping and shipboard operations;
- 7. Participation in at least one marine-related management system audit; and
- 8. Effective communications with shipboard staff and senior management.

	ISM Code	MCA (UK)
References:	STCW Convention	Transport Canada
	SOLAS Convention	EU Directive
	• MLC 2006	
	 MARPOL 	
	• IMO	

Course Subject	Time
Introduction	
Course overview	
Competences to be achieved	0.5 Hour
Application	
Chapter 1 ISM Introduction	
What is the ISM Code	
Definitions	1.75 Hour
Mandatory Application of the ISM Code	
 Safety Management Systems(SMS) in Shipping & Requirements for 	
Companies	
Safety and environmental protection policy	

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Chapter 2 Responsibilities and Authority	
Company Responsibilitites & Authority	
Designated Person Ashore	
Who is DPA?	
 What DPA verifies and monitors 	
 What Bry Vermes and monitors What the Company should provide to DPA 	
DPA Qualifications	
o DPA Training	
o DPA Experience	
Master	2.75 Hour
Ressource & Personnel	
 Qualifications, Training & Experience for Crew and Persons 	
Ashore	
 Working Language in SMS 	
o ISM Chapter 6 & STCW	
 STCW Compliance 	
 New STCW requirement for Engine Room 	
 New STCW requirement for Bridge 	
What is "Company" for STCW?	
MLC & ISM	
Chapter 3 Shipboard Operations	
	1.25 Hour
 Plans & Procedures Preparation 	
Chapter 4 Emergency Preparedness	
Comments for Emergencies	
Comments on Near misses	
Hazardous Situations	
Near miss Pros & Cons	
Near miss and Companies	2.0 Hours
 Defining near miss 	
 General examples of a near-miss 	
Barriers to reporting near-misses	
Barriers and management initiatives	
Near miss investigation process	
Identifying causal factors	
 Completing the investigation – Final Report Basic Elements 	

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•	er 5 Report & Analysis of Non-Confirmities, Accidents & Hazardous rences	
•	Reporting & Analysing of NCs, Observations, Accidents and Hazardous Occurrences Result of Evaluation Report Major Non Conformities (MNC) MNC and DoC MNC and SMC Assessments of Risks and Non Conformities The Power of the Non-Conformity Risk Categories Risk management: Risk Control Measures How/What to Report in a NC report	0.75 Hours
• Chapte	What to Include in a Conformity Report er 6 Maintenance of the Ship & Equipment	
•	Maintenance planning - Areas to be included Maintenance planning - Examples Maintenance planning - Key Issues Maintenance planning & reports Maintenance planning & Critical Equipment	0.75 Hours
Chapt	er 7 Documentation	
• Chapte	Records & Verification What Company should provide er 8 Company Verification, Review & Evaluation	0.5 Hours
•	Review of Safety Management System (SMS) Internal Audits Intervals Key Issues Internal Audit? at which extent? Internal Audit Why? Internal audit before an external audit What about DPA and Audits?	1.25 Hour

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Chapter 9 Certification & Verification	
 Requirements for SMC Requirements for DoC Interim DoC Interm SMC Document of Compliance Safety Management Certificate Interim Document of Compliance 	0.5 Hours
Interim Safety Management Certificate	
 Chapter 10 Verification Audit report Corrective action follow-up 	
 More Company responsibilities pertaining to safety management audits Responsibilities of the Organization (or Flag) performing the ISM Code certification 	
 Standards of Management for the Organization performing Certification Qualification Arrangements Certification Procedures & Instructions Responsibilities of the verification team & Lead Auditor More Guidance for Certification / Verifications Standards for Auditors Standards of Competence for Auditors 	1.75 Hours

Course Final Assessment	1.0 Hour
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