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Navigational Watch-Keeping and Collision Avoidance Upgraded Version

In consonance with the incessant prodding of several companies to upgrade various training programs as realistically as possible with the aid of modern technology, NTC-M has developed a software that will enhance the learning and teaching methodology of the above course. This newly-developed software is in direct application where the training for navigational watch keeping and collision avoidance in the enclosed waters of **The Sound, The Great Belt, Kadettrenden and Fehmarn Belt and Skagen areas** are integrated into the training program with the extensive use of the full-mission bridge simulator. These specific areas are known to have a dense volume of traffic at any given day, and with plenty of shallow areas and several "bottle necks" which present a formidable challenge to overcome by any navigators. The training programs consists of various application on various scenarios of collision regulations and giving emphasis on a safe bridge navigational watch keeping principle.

Starts: Primo June 2004 **Duration:** 5 days (08:00-17:00) **Price:** USD 500,-

GMDSS Refresher Course

NTC-M spearheaded here in the Philippines the GMDSS training program which started as early as August 8, 1993 duly accredited by the Norwegian Maritime Directorate (NMD). During the 33rd Session of IMO in 13 October 2000, the Norwegian Radio Authorities introduced the concept of GMDSS refresher course which had received a favorable comments from some committee members and even the National Telecommunication and Communication of the Philippines issued parallel guidelines with reference to the Act 3846 as amended E.O. No.546, Section II A of Article 55 Of the Radio Regulations of International Telecommunications Union (ITU). While the implementation is not mandatory, common sense dictates that refresher program will be beneficial to the GMDSS operators.

NTC-M has developed a refresher course with positive response from our valued clients.

The schedule for 2004 is as follows;

May 31 to June 04. 26 - June 21 to 25. July 12 to 16. Aug. 02 to 06. Aug. 23 to 27. Sept. 13 to 17.
Oct. 04 to 08. Oct. 25 to 2. Nov. 15 to 19. Dec. 06 to 10 2004.

Duration: 5 days (08:00-17:00) **Price:** NSA Members USD 225,- Non-Members USD 250,-

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BACKGROUND

The Norwegian Training Center-Manila (NTC-M) was established by the [Norwegian Shipowners' Association \(NSA\)](#) in order to provide relevant upgrading training for Filipino seafarers serving on the ships of its members. NTC-M came into operation in February 1990 and was shortly after made part of Norwegian Maritime Foundation of the Philippines, Inc. (NMFPI), chartered in May 1990. Improving the human factor in ship operation was a key objective and the establishment of NTC-M constituted an important element of this challenge.



Seafarers of all nationalities, also from non-Norwegian principals are welcome to attend any of the courses provided the space is available and their course fees are paid for by their local agents or their sponsoring companies.

Courses at NTC-Manila

Senior Deck Officer Preparation Course

The recently concluded 2nd and final Pilot Course for Senior Deck Officer Preparation Course conducted from April 26th until the 30th had been labeled a success if the feedback from the participants and the positive response from their companies will be used as a measure. The evaluation of the course and its content including the teaching methodology by the latest 9 participants combined with the other 11 participants of the initial pilot course proves a valuable insight for NTC-M to validate that this course is in the right track in preparing operational level officers aspiring for command. To our valued clients who joined with us when this course was conceptualized as early as June last year, NTC-M would like to express its profound thanks for your co-operation and support, without which this course would not even have lifted off.

Our thanks goes to **JO Tankers, Anscor Swire Ship Management, NFD-Barber Ship Management, Dolphin Ship Management, Solvang-OSM Philippines, KGJS and Torvald Klaveness AS**. In view of your positive response to this course, NTC-M take the opportunity to announce that the schedule for the rest of the year 2004 for the SDOPC course are as follows; June 14 to 18, July 19 to 23, August 16 to 20, Sept. 20 to 24, Oct. 11 to 15, Nov. 08 to 12, Nov. 29 to Dec. 03.

For more information, please see our website or NTC-M Newsletter Volume 3 Issue 1

Starts: June 14th 2004 **Duration:** 5 days (08:00-20:00)

Price: NSA Members USD 450,- Non-NSA Members USD 500,-

Sludge and Bilge Water Treatment Course

For more information, please see our website or NTC-M Newsletter Volume 3 Issue 1

Starts: June 28th 2004 **Duration:** 4 days (08:00-17:00)

Price: NSA Members USD 585,- Non-NSA Members USD 650,-



DNV Welding Inspection Course



For more information, please see our website or NTC-M Newsletter Volume 3 Issue 1

Starts: June 21st 2004 **Duration:** 3 days (08:00-17:00)

Price: USD 305,-