

ENG CIRCULAR - 006

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Ever since the MEO Examination Rules 1998 have come into force, it has become mandatory for all trainee Engineers going out to sea, after completion of their workshop training ashore, to carry their TAR books for appropriate endorsement during their period of service at sea. The same is also applicable to engineer officers, which are termed as Officer In-charge Engineering Watch (OICEW). This issue has been communicated to the industry and the candidates at various platforms by virtue of instructions, as early as 1996. However, it has been observed that there are still a number of candidates, who go out to sea without the appropriate TAR books and hence they are found deficient in terms of eligibility towards examinations (MEO Class IV). In view of this errant attitude of some candidates and the companies in which they are employed, the Chief Examiner of Engineers hereby issues the following instructions:-

- 1) Any candidate who has commenced his initial training from or after 1st August 1998 and has applied for examination at the Class IV level under the MEO 1998 Examination Rules is required to produce an approved TAR book duly completed and endorsed by the owners /managers who have been authorized under a quality system. If such a document (TAR Book) is not produced during the process of assessment for eligibility, the case is to be put up to the Examiner of Engineers for deciding the case appropriately. In extreme case, the candidate would be asked to repeat his sea time with the appropriate TAR books.**
- 2) If the TAR book during submission for eligibility towards examination is not appropriately completed or duly endorsed or completed in a most derogatory manner, then again the document would be put up to Examiner of Engineers for deciding appropriately.**
- 3) The right to implement these instructions would be vested with the Examiner of Engineers of each MMD district (Mumbai / Kolkata / Chennai)**

Though most of the companies do adhere to the earlier instructions, they should by all means ensure that such discrepancies do not take place. However, such cases are coming up in a most unusually frequent manner, and the Directorate would not hesitate to implement the steps as stated in the instructions. We would request you to kindly bring the contents of this notice to all concerned.