



ONLINE

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR STANDARDS

# NATIONAL LEGAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ILO MARITIME LABOUR CONVENTION, 2006

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 5 WEEKS, 25 HRS

*Information Note*



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## BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE

The ILO Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 - MLC, 2006,- entered into force on 20 August 2013 - as amended in 2014, 2016 and 2018, is a comprehensive Convention that covers almost every aspect of seafarers' decent working and living conditions.

Many countries are continuing to take steps for the effective implementation of the Convention. The ILO Committee of Experts on the Application of the Conventions and Recommendations reviews the compliance for the countries that have ratified the Convention and for whom it has already entered into force.

The COVID-19 pandemic has severely disrupted the functioning of shipping and affected the work of nearly 2 million seafarers worldwide. Numerous governments and seafarers' and shipowners' organizations have turned to the International Labour Office (ILO) for guidance on how best to address the complexities of the current crisis in light of the provisions of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (MLC, 2006).

The ILO has expressed support for new international measures to protect the rights of seafarers, stranded at sea because of the COVID-19 crisis and the joint statement signed in July 2020 enhanced seafarers' rights as key workers.

In response to the emerging requests for assistance on the legal aspects of the MLC, 2006 implementation, also in relation to the impact of Covid 19 , the ITCILO has developed an online programme, that is specifically designed to:

- meet the needs of legal or legislative advisers responsible for adapting their national legislation to the requirements of the MLC, 2006 or for designing new legislation embodying those requirements;
- share and discuss recent case studies and good practices arisen in the context of the Covid -19 pandemic.

## WHO IS THE TARGET AUDIENCE?

Law and/or policy officials from government departments concerned with the legal aspects of treaty implementation, for example attorney-generals' offices and ministries of labour and transport, maritime authorities, and seafarers' and shipowners' associations involved in tripartite consultations on the transposition and implementation of international conventions in the maritime sector.

## WHY SHOULD I JOIN?

The new online programme offers an opportunity to illustrate the basic concepts of the Convention and to assist countries when performing or reviewing their gap analyses relating to compliance of their national laws and regulations and other measures with the requirements of the Convention.

## WHAT WILL I GAIN FROM THE COURSE?

At the end of the e-learning programme participants will acquire knowledge and tools for:

- providing oversight and reviewing national provisions to implement the MLC, 2006;
- supporting national consultations leading to ratification of the MLC, 2006;
- participating effectively in national MLC, 2006 information seminars;
- preparing advisory and background explanatory materials to assist with the adoption of national legislation and other texts;
- participating effectively (or advising others) in international meetings relating to the MLC, 2006.

## WHAT TOPICS DOES THIS COURSE COVER?

- Current status regarding ratification of the MLC, 2006
- Gap analysis
- Ongoing tripartite consultations
- Background information and the ILO supervisory system
- Detailed review of the requirements under each title of the Convention.
- Approaches to legal implementation.
- ILO model national provisions for implementing the MLC, 2006.

## HOW IS THE COURSE ORGANIZED?

Throughout the programme, innovative digital solutions will allow the participants to step back from their daily professional life and reflect on recent case studies.

- The course runs at a distance on the ITCILO E-Campus.
- Participation requires approximately 5 hours each week.

## WHAT IS THE LANGUAGE OF THE COURSE?

The course is offered in English. A good command of the working language is required.

## WHAT METHODS AND MATERIALS WILL BE USED?

The e-learning programme will be interactive and participatory and will be structured as follows:

- Self-guided sessions;
- Live sessions via Zoom;
- Multiple-choice quizzes;
- A forum for discussion;
- Knowledge assessment at the start and at the end of the training.

## WHO ARE THE RESOURCE PERSONS?

Experts from the International Labour Office and trainers from the ITCILO.

## HOW MUCH DOES THE COURSE COST?

The tuition fee for the course is **815 Euros**.

## ARE THERE ANY FELLOWSHIPS?

A very limited number of fellowships are available to qualified candidates coming from eligible countries.

*As an Organization dedicated to promoting social justice and internationally recognized human and labour rights, the ILO is taking a leading role in international efforts to foster gender equality. In line with this ILO focus, women are particularly encouraged to apply to ITCILO courses.*

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If an enrolled participant wishes or must withdraw from a course, they may choose to apply to a different course or be substituted by another candidate. The participant must notify the Centre, in writing, of their decision at least 14 days prior to the start date of the course. Cancellation of participation in regular courses will result in the following penalties:

- 14 days or more prior to the start date of the course: No penalty, 100% refund of amount paid less applicable bank charges
- 8 to 13 days prior to the start date of the course: Penalty of 50% of course price, refund of residual amount paid (if any) less applicable bank charges
- 7 days or less prior to the start date of the course: Penalty of 100% of course price.

## INFO

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

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