
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 1108

**The Merchant Shipping (Work in Fishing
Convention) (Medical Certification) Regulations 2018**

Application for and issue of a medical fitness certificate

6.—(1) If,—

- (a) an application for a medical fitness certificate is made to a medical practitioner;
- (b) any fee prescribed in Regulations made under section 302 of the Act has been paid;
- (c) the medical practitioner has examined the person to whom the application relates; and
- (d) having had regard to the medical standards specified by the Secretary of State in Merchant Shipping Notice 1886, the medical practitioner considers that the person to whom the application relates is fit to perform the duties which that person will carry out at sea,

the medical practitioner must issue that person with a medical fitness certificate in the form specified in Merchant Shipping Notice 1886.

(2) A medical fitness certificate may, as the medical practitioner considers appropriate,—

- (a) be restricted to such capacity of sea service or geographical areas as that practitioner records on the certificate;
- (b) be subject to such conditions as that practitioner records in accordance with the requirements of Merchant Shipping Notice 1886.

(3) If a person is employed or engaged as a fisherman, or has been offered employment or an engagement as a fisherman, at the time an application is made for a medical fitness certificate the person's employer, or the person offering the engagement must ensure that the application is made and processed at no cost to the person to whom it relates.

(4) In this regulation “the Act” means the Merchant Shipping Act 1995(1).