



CIRCULAR NO. 2024-01

COMMISSION ADVISORY ON RECKONING DATE OF EC CLAIMS DUE TO ILLNESSES AND INJURIES OF SEAFARERS WHILE ON BOARD VESSELS

In accordance with Article 201 of Presidential Decree No. 626, as amended, Board Resolution No. 11-04-10 dated 28 April 2011 (“Setting the Reckoning Date of the Three-Year Prescriptive Period in the Evaluation of Employees’ Compensation Claims for Permanent Total Disability (PTD)”), and Board Resolution No. 14-03-09 dated 25 March 2014 (“Setting the Reckoning Date for the Three-Year Prescriptive Period in the Evaluation of Claims for Temporary Total Disability (TTD) Due to Sickness”), the following advisory on reckoning date of EC Claims due to illnesses and injuries of seafarers while on board vessels is hereby issued:

*“For work-related illnesses or injuries suffered by the seafarer while on board the vessel, in order to afford the seafarer more time in filing their EC claims, taking into consideration the conditions at sea, possible lack of internet connection in open seas, and other similar and analogous conditions, the **three-year period within which to file an EC claim shall be reckoned from the date of the seafarer’s disembarkation from the vessel as indicated in the Seafarer’s Record Book.**”*

For immediate implementation.

Done in the City of Makati this 10th day of October 2024.


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