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Recreational navigation

International Certificate for Operators of Pleasure Craft (Resolution No. 40)

Note by the secretariat

I. Introduction

1. At its fifty-second session, the Working Party on Inland Water Transport considered the proposal by the European Boating Association (EBA) to amend the text of Resolution No. 40 on “International Certificate for Operators of Pleasure Craft”. The EBA proposed to allow administrations to deliver International certificates for operators of pleasure crafts (ICCs) to competent persons who were not nationals or residents of the administration’s country. The EBA also proposed to add a new annex with information on the implementation details of the ICCs. The Working Party asked the Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation (SC.3/WP.3) to improve the wording of the amendment proposed by the EBA and to collect additional information for the new annex to the resolution (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/181, paras. 44–46).
2. The amendment proposal to Resolution No. 40 was finalized at the SC.3/WP.3 thirty-sixth session (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/72, para. 43).
3. Reproduced below is a draft resolution on amendment to Resolution No. 40 for consideration and approval by the Working Party on Inland Water Transport.

II. Additions and amendments to Resolution No. 40 on International Certificate for Operators of Pleasure Craft

Resolution No. ...

(adopted on ... October 2010 by the Working Party on Inland Water Transport)

The Working Party on Inland Water Transport,

Considering Resolution No. 40 of the Working Party on Inland Water Transport concerning on International Certificate for Operators of Pleasure Craft (TRANS/SC.3/147),

Bearing in mind the report of the Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation on thirty-sixth session (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/72, para. 43),

Considering that, in the light of the increased number of the pleasure craft operators from other regions of the world on the European inland waterways, the safety of navigation would be further increased if the issuance international certificates for pleasure craft and the training they entail could be extended to cover these individuals,

Noting the desirability of facilitating the access by Governments and by organizations and individuals involved in recreational navigation to information about the implementation of the resolution and about the competent national authorities delivering international certificates for operators of pleasure craft,

Decides to amend and supplement the text of Resolution No. 40 by the text and signs contained in the annex to this Resolution.

Annex

Amendments to Resolution No. 40 on International Certificate for Operators of Pleasure Craft

1. *For paragraph 1 of Resolution No. 40 substitute*

Recommends the issue, by the competent authority or by bodies approved by implementing Governments, on request and if the requirements set forth in annex 1 are satisfied, of an international certificate concerning the competence of operators of pleasure craft (“international certificate”) to their own nationals or residents or to the nationals of any North American country or any country that is not a member of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, provided they are holders of the implementing Government’s national certificate or have passed an examination in accordance with Annex 1, Part 1, paragraph 2 where this is accepted by the implementing Government.

The international certificate should conform to the models in Annexes 2 or 3 to this resolution and should be made out in the official national language or languages, the title of the document being given, if possible, in two of the three languages English, French and Russian.

2. *Add new annex 4*

Annex 4

Implementation of Resolution No. 40

<i>Country</i>	<i>Res. No. 40 (acceptance) Yes/No</i>	<i>Competent authority for authorization of ICC’s</i>	<i>Approved body(ies) for issuing of ICC’s</i>
Austria	Yes	Federal Ministry of transport (Inland and coastal) Offices of the regional governments (Inland only)	Coastal: Austrian Motor Boating Federation (MSVOE) Austrian Sailing Association
Belarus	Yes	State inspection on small-sized vessels	State inspection on small-sized vessels
Belgium	No		
Bulgaria	Yes	Bulgarian maritime administration	Bulgarian maritime administration
Croatia	Yes		
Czech Republic	Yes	National Navigation Authority (Štátní Plavební Správa)	National Navigation Authority
Finland	Yes	National Board of Navigation	National Board of Navigation
France	No		
Germany	Yes	Federal Ministry for Transport, Building and Urban Development (Bundesministerium für Verkehr, Bau-und Stadtentwicklung)	German Yachting Association (Deutscher Motoryachtverband e.V.) or German Sailing Association (Deutscher Segler- Verband e.V)

Hungary	No		
Ireland	Yes	Marine Survey Office of the Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources	The Irish Sailing Association (ISA) and International Yachtmaster Training (IYT)
Italy	No		
Lithuania	Yes	State Inland Waters Navigation Inspectorate	State Inland Waters Navigation Inspectorate
Luxembourg	Yes	Commissariat on maritime affaires (Commissariat aux Affaires Maritimes)	Commissariat on maritime affaires (Commissariat aux Affaires Maritimes)
Moldova	No		
Netherlands	Yes	Royal Netherlands Touring Federation (Koninklijke Nederlandse Toeristenbond (ANWB))	Royal Netherlands Touring Federation
Poland	No		
Romania	Yes	Romanian Naval Authority	Romanian Naval Authority
Russian Federation	No		
Serbia	No		
Slovakia	Yes	State Navigation Administration (Statna Plavebna Sprava)	State Navigation Administration (Statna Plavebna Sprava)
Switzerland	Yes	Federal Transport Office (OFT), Berne Cantons, represented by their Offices of road traffic and navigation (Full list available at < http://www.vks.ch/franzoesisch/amerter.php >)	Federal Transport Office (OFT), Berne Regional (canton) offices of road traffic and navigation
Ukraine	No		
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Yes	The Royal Yachting Association (RYA) and the British Water Ski Federation (for water skiing activities)	The Royal Yachting Association (RYA) and the British Water Ski Federation (for water skiing activities)
United States of America	No		
