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For deck or engine license - Not to exceed 10 days
For unlicensed endorsement - Not to exceed 2 days

c. Pay Status while at upgrade school. Applicants for upgrade training leading to examination for original marine engineer's and deck officer's licenses, who are able to meet selection requirements, will be placed in upgrade training school in a pay status not to exceed six weeks; applicants selected for training leading to engine department endorsements (QMED) will be placed in training school in a pay status for a maximum of two weeks. In order to avoid duplication of benefits, MSTSPAC will not pay trainees salaries for any period during which they receive maritime union allowances while attending a union school.

d. Leave. Each employee who embarks upon a period of upgrade training should be aware that the average time studying at school for original licenses prior to taking examination is approximately 12 weeks; for upgrading licenses, approximately 4 weeks; for endorsements, 2 weeks maximum. Obviously, the person preparing for original or upgrade license would do well to save his annual leave and shore leave in order to use it during the weeks of study. Once school has been started, best results are obtained by going straight through rather than breaking and returning.

5. Assistance. Seek assistance as follows:

a. Aboard ship. Ask the first officer, the chief engineer, or training officer (as appropriate) for assistance. The ship's training library is required to hold copies of the marine training publications (listed in enclosure (2) to CMPI 410.10). It is strongly urged that personnel form study groups, or use a "buddy" system of studying. Such systems can be made even more productive if a qualified person will organize and arrange study material and/or provide instruction to the group.

b. Ashore. Applicants are encouraged to call or visit the MSTSPAC Training Division, Industrial Relations Office, Building 310, N.S.C., Oakland, California or

c. Schools. The following recognized schools are available to MSTSPAC personnel in the Pacific Area:

(1) Military Sea Transportation Service, Pacific --- Lifeboat Handling School, at Headquarters, N.S.C., Oakland, California in Building 244.

(2) Andrew Furuseth Lifeboatman School --- Pier 54, San Francisco, California

NOTE: For the above schools, there is no fee. Personnel are sent in pay status, either from the ship directly or while in MP&RB awaiting assignment. USCG requirements: ninety (90) days sea time and physically capable of rowing a boat. Duration: 2 weeks

(3) Military Sea Transportation Service, Pacific --- Able-bodied Seaman School --- at Headquarters, N.S.C., Oakland, California Building 244.

NOTE: There are no fees. Personnel are sent in pay status. About one week. Must have validated USCG endorsement for Lifeboatman.

(4) Military Sea Transportation Service, Pacific --- Fireman, Watertender and Oiler School --- at Headquarters, N.S.C., Oakland, California, Building 244.

NOTE: There are no fees. Personnel are sent in pay status, usually 5 to 10 days. Qualified candidates for other endorsements should contact Law School of Marine Engineering as described below.

(5) Military Sea Transport Union School --- Able Seaman School, SUP Hall, San Francisco, California. Two weeks.

NOTE: If tuition fees are exclusively required of MSTSPAC/MSTU members but not similarly required of commercially employed members of other maritime unions, the tuition cost must then be borne by the trainee.

(6) Dobie's Navigation School --- 409 Washington Street, San Francisco, California -