Basic information

2004/0098(COD) COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Directive	Procedure completed
Mutual recognition of seafarers' certificates issued by the Member States Amending Directive 2001/25/EC 2000/0131(COD) Repealed by 2018/0162(COD) **Subject** 3.20.03 Maritime transport: passengers and freight 3.20.10 Transport undertakings, transport industry employees 4.15.06 Professional qualifications, recognition of qualifications 4.40.07 Recognition of diplomas, equivalence of studies and training	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
TRAN Transport and Tourism	EVANS Robert (PSE)	01/09/2004

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
EMPL Employment and Social Affairs	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Transport, Telecommunications and Energy	2671	2005-06-27
Transport, Telecommunications and Energy	2629	2004-12-09

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Energy and Transport	

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
26/04/2004	Legislative proposal published	COM(2004)0311	Summary
15/09/2004	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
23/11/2004	Vote in committee, 1st reading		Summary

02/12/2004	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A6-0057/2004	
09/12/2004	Debate in Council		
22/02/2005	Debate in Parliament		
23/02/2005	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading	T6-0043/2005	Summary
23/02/2005	Results of vote in Parliament		
27/06/2005	Act adopted by Council after Parliament's 1st reading		
07/09/2005	Final act signed		
07/09/2005	End of procedure in Parliament		
30/09/2005	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2004/0098(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Directive
Amendments and repeals	Amending Directive 2001/25/EC 2000/0131(COD) Repealed by 2018/0162(COD)
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 080-p2
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	TRAN/6/22103

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A6-0057/2004	02/12/2004	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T6-0043/2005 OJ C 304 01.12.2005, p. 0139-0253 E	23/02/2005	Summary

Council of the EU

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European Commission

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Legislative proposal		26/04/2004	Summary
Commission response to text adopted in plenary	SP(2005)1076	31/03/2005	
Follow-up document	SWD(2018)0018	10/01/2018	
Follow-up document	SWD(2018)0019	10/01/2018	

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
EESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES1633/2004 OJ C 157 28.06.2005, p. 0053-0056	15/12/2004	

Additional information

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Final act

Directive 2005/0045
OJ L 255 30.09.2005, p. 0160-0163 Summary

Mutual recognition of seafarers' certificates issued by the Member States

2004/0098(COD) - 23/02/2005 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

In adopting this resolution by Robert EVANS (PES, UK) by 619 votes in favour, 20 against, with 3 abstentions, Parliament welcomes Commission proposals on the recognition of seafarers' certificates as an important step towards more safety at sea and less fraud involving these certificates.

A range of compromise amendments were adopted. (Please refer to the summary dated 23/11/2004).

Mutual recognition of seafarers' certificates issued by the Member States

2004/0098(COD) - 26/04/2004 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE : to facilitate the recognition of certificates of seafarers issued by the Member States and ensure thorough compliance with the existing training, certification and watch keeping requirements within the European Union.

PROPOSED ACT : Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council.

CONTENT : there are two main reasons for submitting this proposal: first, the need to facilitate the recognition by all Member States of certificates of seafarers issued within the Union in accordance with the minimum requirements of Directive 2001/25/EC, as amended; and second, the need to ensure further thorough and continuous compliance with the existing requirements.

In addition, in its conclusions of 5 June 2003, the Council emphasised the need to foster the mobility of seafarers within the Union6, while both the European Parliament and the Council called for the need to confirm thorough respect by the Member States of the STCW requirements.

The Commission, therefore, puts forward specific provisions aimed at ensuring further full compliance with the existing training and certification requirements. The proposal provides for:

– the obligation for Member States to adopt measures to prevent and penalise fraudulent practices associated with certificates of seafarers, and

– the regular assessment of compliance of Member States with the requirements of

Directive 2001/25/EC, as amended.

Mutual recognition of seafarers' certificates issued by the Member States

2004/0098(COD) - 07/09/2005 - Final act

PURPOSE: The mutual recognition of seafarers’ certificates issued by the Member States.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Directive 2005/45/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council.

CONTENT: This Directive obliges Member States to recognise the seafarers’ certificates, which have been issued by another Member State in accordance with Directive 2001/25/EC. Specifically, each Member State should permit a seafarer having acquired his/her certificate of competency in another Member State, satisfying the requirement of Directive 2001/25, to take up or to pursue the maritime profession for which he/she is qualified, without any prerequisites other than those imposed on its own national. At the same time, the amending Directive is introducing a requirement that the STCW Convention on language will be introduced into Community law.

TRANSPOSITION: 20/10/2007

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 20/10/2005.