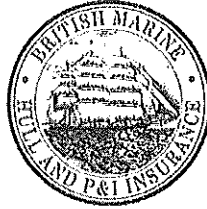


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To all our Assureds

Dear Sirs,

Ukrainian Crewmembers – Pre Employment Medical Examinations

A number of recent P&I claims involving Ukrainian crew has highlighted how important that a comprehensive and reliable pre employment medical examination (PEME) be undertaken prior to a seafarer commencing employment and joining a vessel.

It is estimated that in Odessa alone there are now over 120 manning agents together with approximately 25 medical facilities issuing PEMEs. We understand that current practice involves the seafarers themselves arranging and paying for a PEME prior to offering their services to a potential employer or agent as crew. The conduct, scope and reliability of such examinations vary considerably and it is not uncommon for certificates to be issued which do not reflect the reality of a particular seafarers medical condition.

A recent case involving British Marine cost over \$200,000 to resolve. A senior officer became seriously ill almost immediately on joining a vessel. His medical certificate presented to the Assured made no mention of a long history of hypertension. He subsequently suffered a stroke, was hospitalised following the diversion of the vessel and eventually repatriated at considerable expense. Had the officer undergone a more rigorous PEME his ill health and imminent stroke could well have been diagnosed prior to his joining the vessel.

British Marine now recommends that Assureds employing Ukrainian seafarers consider adopting an enhanced PEME system for their prospective crew and we have, together with consultants, developed an agreed format for an enhanced Pre Employment Medical, (Appendix 1) .

We have vetted and approved four clinics in the Odessa region and one in Mariupol, (Appendix 2), which are able to provide seafarers with a BML approved PEME upon request.

For Assureds sourcing crew through manning agencies in the Ukraine we would recommend that they advise the manning agents that only crew that have passed a BML approved PEME should be considered for employment on their vessels. The costs of the medicals will be for the Assureds/Seafarers

account but British Marine will monitor the scheme and audit the clinics to ensure continued quality and uniformity of approach.

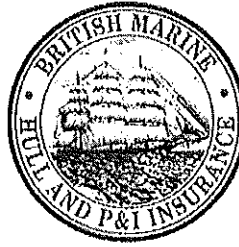
For information and queries relating to the operation of the scheme and related arrangements, please contact Carl Gill - gillc@britishmarine.com

Yours faithfully,

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C. B. Gill

British Marine Managers Ltd
For and on behalf of British Marine Luxembourg S.A.



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Pre-Employment Medical Examination Form — Ukraine

Форма проведения медицинского освидетельствования моряков перед трудоустройством – Украина

NOTICE: The original of this form is to be kept by the medical clinic and is for the sole use of BMM.

ПРИМЕЧАНИЕ: Оригинал данной формы предназначен для использования только БММ и должен храниться в медицинском центре

Last name of applicant Фамилия моряка		First name Имя		Blood group Группа крови
Date of birth Дата рождения		Place of birth (City/Country) Место рождения (город/страна)		Mailing address of applicant Почтовый адрес моряка
Medical certificate No. Мед.заключение №		Seafarer certificate No. Удостоверение моряка №		Name of ship: Название судна:
Examination Исследования		Results of the examination Результаты исследований		
		Pass Допуск	Fail Не допуск	If Fail, please provide the explanation/reason for failure/В случае недопуска, пожалуйста, укажите причины
Physical Examination Физическое обследование				
Dental Examination Осмотр стоматолога				
Psychological Test Оценка психолога				
Visual Test Осмотр окулиста				
Colour vision Цветовые тесты				
Audiometry Аудиометрия				
Chest X-ray Рентген грудной клетки				
EKG ЭКГ				
Urinalysis Анализ мочи				

Fecalysis Анализ кала			
Complete Blood Count Полный анализ крови			
Ultrasound examination (presence of stones) Ультразвуковое исследование (на наличие камней)			
Fasting Blood Sugar Сахар крови натощак			
Hep B Antigen Тест на антиген гепатита В			
VDRL Проба на сифилис			
HIV Test Тест на ВИЧ			
Stress Test Стресс-тест			
Diabetes Анализ на диабет			
Drug & Alcohol Test Анализ на алкоголь и наркотики			

Name and Degree of Physician: Имя и ученая степень врача: Name of Physician's Licensing: Диплом врача (полное название): Date of Issue of Physician's License: Дата выдачи диплома: Date of Examination: Дата проведения освидетельствования	Signature of Physician Подпись врача
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