# Competence in Competition

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### Once upon a Time

• There was His Majesty The Master



### Once upon a Time

• his Crew



### Once upon a Time

• and their ship



#### Then Competence appeared



#### **Crew Certification**

GENERAL

- Certificate of Competency or Certificate of Equivalent
   Competency specified to rank and flag of vessel
- GMDSS (Global Maritime Distress Safety System)
- Designated Security Duties training
- ENG1 (seafarers medical) or equivalent Medical
- First Aid at Sea or Medical First Aid
- Advanced Fire Fighting
- CPSC & RB (Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boats)
- Tanker Safety
- STCW Personal Survival Techniques
- STCW Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities
- STCW Elementary First Aid
- STCW Fire Prevention and Fire Fighting

#### **Crew Certification**

COOK CERTIFICATION

- Cook's Certificate of Competency or Ship's Cook part 1 and part 2
- Food Hygiene (is requested by some Companies but not a minimum requirement)
- Basic Tanker Safety
- STCW Personal Survival Techniques
- STCW Fire prevention and Fire Fighting
- STCW Elementary First Aid
- STCW Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities
- Security Awareness Training (Designated Security Duties training may be required by certain companies)
- Crowd Management may be requested for bigger vessels but is not a minimum requirement.
- Medical Care sometimes required
- ENG1 or equivalent medical

#### IMO Certificate Verification

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- About 60 countries with Training centers
- List of Countries whose certificates recognized by Greece : Australia, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Georgia, India, Indonesia, Lithuania, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro, Ukraine

### Only Certification is not enough



## Safe Manning and More

 Flag Legislation issued safe manning documents based on ship size, type and trading area, defining the number of the crew members and the qualifications of the officers.

With IMO circ. A890(21)in Nov. 1999 The shipowners may suggest their own management levels, which should be justified for the ship's trading pattern, area of operation, hours of work etc.

- The **STCW** Convention (1978) amended in 1995. (Manning scales and certification)
- The International Safety Management Code ISM (chapter IX of the SOLAS Convention)
- SOLAS (Inter-related questions of crew training and skills in various areas)

## Safe Manning and More

- The US Oil Pollution Act 1990 (OPA 90) (Manning and management of the ship both ashore and afloat
- The Tanker Management Self Assessment TMSA (Recruitment and management of shore-based personnel & Recruitment and management of vessel personnel)
- Oil majors **Officer Matrix** requirements
- Competency Management System (Intertanko & OCIMF) (replacing TOTS Tanker Officers Training Standards)
- Charterers and terminal specific requirements

#### Do we need all these?

The causes (of the accidents) that top the list like collisions, fires, explosions, ships being lost, tankers accidents etc. are all results of human errors.... The results indicated that in most cases (almost 96%) the reason for maritime accidents was human error.

Source: Marine Insight July 2016

While huge strides continue to be made in improving marine safety, human error remains the most important factor in marine accidents.

Source: Business Insurance Aug.2013

#### Do we need all these?



#### Source: UK P&I Club

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#### Officer Matrix

Experience & Familiarization

- Years with the Operator
- Years in Rank
- Years in a specific type of Tankers
- Years in all types of Tankers
- Dates joined (minimum number of days lapsed between replacement of officers)

#### Officer Matrix

• The variations between the various oil companies in terms of requirements are as follows:

	Years with Operator	Years in Rank	Years on this type of tanker
Captain/ Chief Officer	0 to 5, including 2 and 3	0 to 5 including 2.5, 3 and 4	0 to 10 including 3,4,5,6 and 7
Chief Engineer/ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Engineer	0 to 5 including 2	0 to 4 including 2.5 and 3	0 to 10 including 3,5 and 6
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mate/ 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mate	0 to 1	0 to 1	N/A
3 <sup>rd</sup> Engineer/ 4 <sup>th</sup> Engineer	0 to 1	0 to 1	N/A

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#### Officer Matrix

 For a vessel to comply with all requirements, i.e be able to work for all oil companies, the following requirements will have to be met:

	Years with Operator	Years in Rank	Years on this type of tanker
Captain/ Chief Officer	5	5	10
Chief Engineer/ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Engineer	5	4	10
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mate/ 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mate	1	1	N/A
3 <sup>rd</sup> Engineer/ 4 <sup>th</sup> Engineer	1	1	N/A

#### Source: Intertanko

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#### The TMSA

Recruitment and management of the shore-based personnel and of the Ship's Staff

- The Company must define in the ISM the qualification and experience requirements for each shore based position
- Written policy is to operate vessels with senior officers who have appropriate experience and training on the particular type and size of vessel

#### The TMSA

- Defined system of selection, recruitment and promotion procedures with interviews and records
- Pre-employment assessment for job competence and training for officers and ratings
- Verification of the certificates and qualifications
- Formal familiarization process
- Formal staff appraisal system. Training needs identified during the appraisal process
- Training, refresher training and participation in industry forums, seminars and conferences
- Training for seafarers to exceed the minimum requirements

#### The TMSA

- Internal audits, ship visits and short sails by the superintendents to confirm the welfare of the ship's crew
- Procedures to ensure that the working and rest hours of all personnel are in line with STCW.
- Company policy to provide career development for junior officers
- Senior on-board personnel to be rotated through office assignments
- The company to have a documented disciplinary process
- Ship's staff and office personnel Retention Rate

### Competency Management System

A System being developed jointly by Intertanko and OCIMF

The key aspects:

- Each officer is individually assessed
- Those assessing must be appropriately trained and assessed for their ability to assess
- Those verifying must be appropriately trained and depending on the setup, assessed for their ability to verify
- The system must be open to auditing or verification

### Competency Management System

Competencies:

- Navigation
- Mooring
- Cargo operations
- Engineering

Incorporation and auditing

Assessors

#### Verifiers

### Competency Management System

Organizational Levels

- Management
- Operation
- Support
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The competency framework consists of six <u>competency domains</u>:

- 1. Teamwork
- 2. Communication & Influencing
- 3. Situation Awareness
- 4. Decision making
- 5. Results focus
- 6. Leadership & Managerial skills

Each of the above domains has been defined, with <u>competency</u> <u>elements</u> identified for each domain.

## Shore Staff Competence

- Shore staff competence was questioned only recently
- Company defines the qualifications for the personnel of a specific position. Often people with completely different backgrounds, education and working experience (exseafarers and university graduates) compete for the same position. Who is really Competent?
- There is no office "safe manning" requirements. Between companies there is a large variation in number of Office Personnel per ship.
- There are competence standards for auditors and for trainers.
- The TMSA and Oil Majors requirements are not always very specific leaving room for different interpretations. For instance: Top Ranking Personnel should visit the ships periodically. However there are different perceptions on what is "Top Ranking" position.

#### **Crew Remuneration**

Greek Seafarers salaries (on tankers)

• Master in US \$ Median Base Salary - 13.000 From 12.100 to 14.200

Chief Engineer in US \$ Median Base Salary - 12.600
 From 12.000 to 13.750

Chief Officer in US \$ Median Base Salary - 10.800
 From 10.000 to 11.500

Second Engineer in US \$ Median Base Salary - 10.200
 From 10.000 to 11.100

Source: Hewitt "Shipping Industry Total Compensation survey Greece"
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#### **Shore Staff Remuneration**

- The differences of the salaries for the same position in companies (same country) can be up to 100%
- The provision of **employee benefits** is not a common policy in Shipping. No more than half of the companies currently offer private pension plans, and private medical schemes

Source: Hewitt "Shipping Industry Total Compensation survey Greece"
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### Training cost

In our experience :

- The training cost of the crew is about 15,000 USD/ship/year (between 10,000 to 17,000)
- Office Staff (all positions) the average training cost is about 500 USD /person/year .

### What we do in Andriaki Shipping

- Greek Officers and Philippine crew.
- Most of the officers join the company as Cadets and remain with the company climbing to the top ranks and until retirement. Presently 71% of the Captains have been with company since Cadets
- Retention rate of the officers is 97% (2016)
- The fleet is in full compliance with Officer Matrix requirements. For compliance with Matrix requirements such as "minimum years in position", promoted officers may join the ship as super numeral
- Training over and above requirements is provided
- The salaries of the ship officers are slightly higher than industry average
- Particular attention is paid to Crew welfare

### What we do in Andriaki Shipping

- Office personnel also join the company young and usually remain until retirement
- 82% of the key personnel is developed internally
- The retention rate of office staff is 92%. Retention of the key personnel is 95%
- Participation in committees, associations and forums is encouraged
- The salaries of the office staff are at the industry's average

### What we do in Andriaki Shipping

Inspection results

2015	2016	2017 Q1
Vetting Insp. 2015	Vetting Insp. 2016	Vetting Insp. 2017 Q1
•18 Inspections	•17 Inspections	•5 Inspections
•43 Observation - 2.4 DPI	•39 Observation- 2.3 DPI	•10 observations-2.0 DPI
•0 Rejections	•0 Rejections	•0 Rejections
Observation Risk Rating	Observation Risk Rating	Observation Risk Rating
• 2 High Risk	• 2 High Risk	• o High Risk
• 12 Medium Risk	• 10 Medium Risk	• 3 Medium Risk
• 29 Low Risk	• 27 Low Risk	• 7 Low Risk
Port State Control 2015 • 17 Inspections • 1 Observation - 0.06 DPI • 0 Detentions	Port State Control 2016 • 14 Inspections • 8 Observation - 0.57 DPI • 0 Detentions	Port State Control 2017 Q1 <ul> <li>1 Inspections</li> <li>0 Observation - 0 DPI</li> <li>0 Detentions</li> </ul>

Crew cost is slightly higher than the industry average

#### **Create or Poach?**

We estimate that the total cost of certification and training for a Cadet to become a Captain (as per Matrix requirements) is almost 100,000 USD



#### A difficult equilibrium





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#### How far can he go?



## The Challenge

The basic aspect of competence is skill

- Are certification, experience and evaluations the only proper means to identify the successful employee?
- Our goal is to develop, attract or poach talent!



# Why are they always on the Top?









# Creating a team of pure skill in formanagement

The expectations, the competition and the final goal should be clearly defined

#### Evaluate which talent is needed

Start by identifying which talent is needed for a specific position and what the required skills are

#### • Find the right people

Identify who in the team (company) is able to take on the role or search in the market for the right individual.

Creating and poaching are both widely practiced

#### • Create the tests

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Test suitability of the person. An actual trial period is the best way for the correct evaluation (not immediately in the first team)

# Creating a team of pure skill in formanagement

Back up personnel should always be available for every position and they must be equally good.

#### • Do not lose time trying to fit the wrong person into the team.

Continuous evaluation, fighting complacency and fill the identified gaps immediately. The corrective actions (additional training, discipline, etc.) should be done soonest possible. Weak link could be catastrofic.

#### Create the support

Prepare the infrastructure to offer the best training, learning and assistance to specific needs. Make clear how important every individual/role is

#### Creating a team of pure skill in football Be proactive

Be close to the academies (or create your own) to spot and recruit the talents you need in the future

#### The compensation and rewards should be good!

Have a competitive compensation & rewards strategy. Reevaluate it often!

#### Market the company

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Promote Company achievements and create a name. The employees must be proud of their job and the company they work for.

# Thank you for your attention



#### and Good Luck