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# Course: Global Maritime Distress and Safety System- General Operator's Certificate (GMDSS-GOC)

## Course aim

The overall educational aim of the course is to enable the graduates to efficiently operate the GMDSS - Global Maritime Distress and Safety System equipment, and to have primary responsibility to radio communications during Distress incidents.

## Course objectives

On completion of the GMDSS GOC course, the trainees are expected to be able to:

- Communicate using terrestrial systems operating in the medium, high and very high frequency bands;
- Demonstrate capability to use digital selective calling devices;
- Understand the communication using satellite systems types FLEET 77, Fleet Broadband;
- Operate and test SARTs and EPIRBs;
- Understand the use of ITU and ALRS documents;
- Demonstrate technical capabilities to carry out maintenance procedures for batteries and aerials;
- Use procedures in order to mitigate the effects of false Distress alerts following unintentional transmission

## Target group

The course is open to present and future marine personnel who want to obtain a GMDSS General Operator Certificate for Maritime Mobile and Maritime Mobile Satellite Services in accordance with The ITU Radio Regulations; The International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) 1974, as amended.

## Entry requirements

- General knowledge in radio and maritime navigation fields and High school diploma.

## Booking

Application process starts with e-mail sent to: [tc.registration@cmu-edu.eu](mailto:tc.registration@cmu-edu.eu). Applicants would be confirmed and coordinated by the Course Coordinator.

## Payments

GMDSS GOC course fee – 600 Euro. Payment cash or bank transfer in Euro or Romanian currency (LEI).

## Course duration

14 days, 108 hours

## Course location

Constanta Maritime University, 104, Mircea cel Bătrân St, Constanța, 900663, Room E120.

## Number of participants

Minimum 8 - Maximum 12

## Learning Process

The training sessions combine theoretical lessons and practical exercises with demonstrations. The course materials will be delivered to participants in electronic format. These are written in English and the course will be held in English unless otherwise agreed.

## Assessment

The trainees' knowledges are assessed by written examination system at the end of the course. On successful completion of GMDSS GOC, the trainees will receive the Certificate of course completion.

## Information

Constanta Maritime University is approved by Telenor Maritime Radio to provide GOC and ROC training with reference to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, as amended July 1997 and Complying to the STCW 2010 Convention.

## Contact details

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