

Seafarers' Training Level Directive

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Competent authorities in Belgium	Federal authorities; FPS Mobility and Transport; DG Shipping	
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Note	Directive 2008/106/EC is a recast of Directive 2001/25/EC	

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This directive aims at ensuring that seafarers (on ships, as defined by the directive) have had at least a training that meets the standards of the *STCW Convention* (p.47), and carry a 'certificate of competency' or an appropriate certificate in the interests of safety at sea. Ships, regardless of their flag, are subject to port state control in the Member States' ports.