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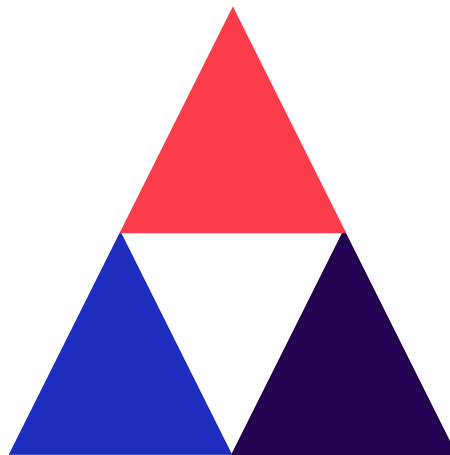


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▶ Review of international labour standards related to the maritime sector

Follow-up of the recommendations of the third meeting of the Special Tripartite Committee

Fourth meeting of the Special Tripartite Committee established under Article XIII of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended - Part I
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This paper contains general information on all documents which have been prepared to facilitate the discussion of the Special Tripartite Committee (STC) established under the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (MLC, 2006), concerning the instruments relating to maritime labour (seafarers) which will be reviewed at its fourth meeting (19–23 April 2021).

This paper sets out the key concepts for understanding the thematic technical notes.

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► A. Standards review

1. It may be recalled that, at its first meeting, in February 2016,¹ the Standards Review Mechanism Tripartite Working Group (SRM TWG) referred the review of 68 maritime instruments to the Special Tripartite Committee (STC) established to address all matters related to the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (MLC, 2006). In view of the number of Conventions and Recommendation to be reviewed, the Officers of the STC decided to organize them into thematic groups and to carry out the review in two stages. A first group of 34 instruments was examined by the third meeting of the STC, and a second group of 34 instruments is being presented to the fourth meeting (Technical Notes 11 to 19). In addition, five Conventions classified as “outdated” in 2018 will be reviewed once again by the STC (Technical Note 20).
2. The information set out in the [Introductory note](#) on the review of international labour standards related to the maritime sector, prepared for the third meeting of the STC, remains pertinent to the present review.
3. The full list of maritime instruments and information on their status is set out in the appendix.

► B. Methodological approach to the review process

4. Under the Standards Initiative, and in particular its component on the Standards Review Mechanism (SRM), the review conducted by the STC should contribute to ensuring that the ILO has a clear, robust and up-to-date body of international labour standards for the maritime sector that respond to changes in the world of work, for the purpose of worker protection and taking into account the needs of sustainable enterprises.²
5. Decisions are taken by the STC by consensus and its recommendations are submitted to the Governing Body for decision and follow-up action, as required. Where it is not possible to reach a consensus on a specific issue, the divergent views are set out in its report to the Governing Body.³
6. Certain elements of the approach to the review process followed by the SRM TWG established under the Standards Initiative may be useful in the context of the work of the STC.⁴ This approach comprises four stages:
 1. **Gathering all relevant information and identifying possible ways forward:** the Office, following the guidance of the Officers of the STC, will gather, for each topic under discussion, data on ratifications and denunciations, comments of the supervisory bodies and relevant information from other sources.

¹ GB.326/LILS/3/2.

² GB.325/LILS/3.

³ GB.325/LILS/3.

⁴ Third meeting of the Standards Review Mechanism Tripartite Working Group (SRM TWG), Geneva, 25–29 September 2017, [Information document 3: Methodological approach to the review of instruments](#).

2. **Deciding the best course of action:** the STC will consider all relevant information and select the measures best suited to achieving the purpose of the review.
3. **Taking follow-up action:** comprehensive and consistent follow-up action by the STC, the Governing Body and, under its governance, the Office will aim to ensure that the recommendations of the STC are implemented fully. Member States will be called upon to consider implementation of these recommendations within national circumstances.
4. **Reviewing the decisions and follow-up action:** the STC will undoubtedly wish to follow progress in the implementation of its recommendations and consider any supplementary recommendations, as necessary.

▶ C. Proposals submitted as a basis for review by the STC

7. For each thematic group, the STC will need to adopt specific measures. In particular:
 1. Taking into account the decisions of the SRM TWG,⁵ the STC will be required to classify the instruments submitted for review as:
 - (a) up to date;
 - (b) requiring further action to ensure continued and future relevance;
 - (c) outdated.

It is the understanding of the SRM TWG that all international labour standards are active in terms of legal status until such time as the Conference takes the decision to abrogate, withdraw or juridically replace them.

2. The STC will also need to identify any gaps in coverage of the instruments examined.
3. Lastly, it will be required to identify practical and time-bound follow-up action. This may include:
 - *follow-up involving promotional or technical assistance action* (for example, targeted measures for the ratification and implementation of the MLC, 2006);
 - *follow-up involving standard-setting action* (for example, possible proposals for amendments to the MLC, 2006, in order to fill gaps in coverage);
 - *follow-up involving non-normative action* (for example, publication of guidelines on *specific subjects in the context of the MLC, 2006*);
 - *follow-up involving consideration by the Conference of the withdrawal⁶ or abrogation of an instrument.*

⁵ GB.331/LILS/2.

⁶ The abrogation procedure applies to Conventions in force, while the withdrawal procedure applies to Conventions which never came into force or are no longer in force because they have been denounced, and also to Recommendations. The Legal Adviser explained that this distinction was made from the outset, and was based on the “contractual” theory about international labour Conventions, namely the idea that international labour Conventions, once ratified by two or more States and entered into force, became contracts among the States parties and this explained why the Conference needed explicit constitutional authority to be able to terminate the legal effects of an obsolete instrument. A contrario, where a Convention had not received the minimum number of ratifications to enter into force, or the number of effective

► D. Follow-up of the recommendations of the third meeting of the Special Tripartite Committee

8. At its third meeting, the STC made a series of recommendations relating to the 34 instruments reviewed, and its recommendations were approved by the Governing Body at its 334th Session (October–November 2018).⁷

B.1 Recommendations for the abrogation or withdrawal of instruments

9. Further to the recommendations of the STC, the Governing Body decided to include on the Agenda of the 109th Session (June 2020) of the International Labour Conference an item⁸ for the abrogation of eight international labour Conventions, and the withdrawal of nine international labour Conventions and ten Recommendations. In the context of the pandemic, the Governing Body decided to postpone the 109th Session of the Conference until June 2021.
10. The abrogation of the following Conventions has been included on the agenda of the ILC in 2021: the Unemployment Indemnity (Shipwreck) Convention, 1920 (No. 8); the Placing of Seamen Convention, 1920 (No. 9); the Medical Examination of Young Persons (Sea) Convention, 1921 (No. 16); the Officers' Competency Certificates Convention, 1936 (No. 53); the Medical Examination (Seafarers) Convention, 1946 (No. 73); the Certification of Able Seamen Convention, 1946 (No. 74); the Paid Vacations (Seafarers) Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 91); and the Continuity of Employment (Seafarers) Convention, 1976 (No. 145).
11. The withdrawal of the following Conventions and Recommendations has been included on the agenda of the ILC in 2021: the Minimum Age (Sea) Convention, 1920 (No. 7); the Holidays with Pay (Sea) Convention, 1936 (No. 54); the Hours of Work and Manning (Sea) Convention, 1936 (No. 57); the Paid Vacations (Seafarers) Convention, 1946 (No. 72); the Wages, Hours of Work and Manning (Sea) Convention, 1946 (No. 76); the Wages, Hours of Work and Manning (Sea) Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 93); the Wages, Hours of Work and Manning (Sea) Convention (Revised), 1958 (No. 109); the Recruitment and Placement of Seafarers Convention, 1996 (No. 179); the Seafarers' Hours of Work and the Manning of Ships Convention, 1996 (No. 180); the Repatriation (Ship Masters and Apprentices) Recommendation, 1926 (No. 27); the Hours of Work and Manning (Sea) Recommendation, 1936 (No. 49); the Seafarers' Engagement (Foreign Vessels) Recommendation, 1958 (No. 107); the Vocational Training (Seafarers) Recommendation, 1970 (No. 137); the Employment of Seafarers (Technical Developments) Recommendation, 1970 (No. 139); the Protection of Young Seafarers Recommendation, 1976 (No. 153); the Continuity of Employment (Seafarers) Recommendation, 1976 (No. 154); the Repatriation of Seafarers Recommendation, 1987 (No. 174); the Recruitment and Placement of Seafarers

ratifications had been reduced – as a result of denunciations – to zero or one (thus no longer qualifying as a treaty), the International Labour Conference did not need an express mandate to proceed with the termination of the legal effects of that Convention. In this latter case, the term “withdrawal” was proposed and retained throughout the process of adoption of the 1997 constitutional amendment. In all other cases, the term “abrogation” should be used, which would also be in accordance with Article 55 of the 1969 Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties. It was on this basis that the Protection against Accidents (Dockers) Convention, 1929 (No. 28), which currently had one effective ratification, was placed on the agenda of the 106th Session (2017) of the Conference. See the opinion of the Legal Adviser in Annex II to the Report of the Officers, in accordance with paragraph 17 of the terms of reference of the SRM TWG, [GB.328/LILS/2/1\(Rev.\)](#).

⁷ See [GB.334/LILS/2\(Rev.\)](#), para. 17, and the [decisions](#) of the Governing Body in this regard.

⁸ ILO: *Abrogation of eight international labour Conventions and withdrawal of nine international labour Conventions and 11 international labour Recommendations*, Report VII A(2), International Labour Conference, 109th Session, Geneva, 2021.

Recommendation, 1996 (No. 186); and the Seafarers' Wages, Hours of Work and the Manning of Ships Recommendation, 1996 (No. 187).

B.2 Recommendations to promote the ratification of the MLC, 2006

- 12.** Within the limits of the available resources, the International Labour Office has initiated and supported action to promote the ratification MLC, 2006, and has targeted in particular Member States which are bound by maritime labour Conventions considered to be outdated.
- 13.** In particular, on the occasion of the ILO Centenary, in 2019, the Office, in cooperation with the International Chamber of Shipping and the International Federation of Transport Workers, launched a campaign for the ratification of the MLC, 2006, with the objective of achieving the symbolic level of 100 ratifications as rapidly as possible. A list of target countries was identified on the basis of the recommendations of the STC. This period was also encouraging in terms of further member States deciding to ratify the MLC, 2006. Since the last meeting of the STC, the MLC, 2006, has been ratified by Slovakia (May 2018); Djibouti (July 2018); Grenada (November 2018); Gambia (November 2018); Ethiopia (March 2019); Iceland (April 2019); United Republic of Tanzania (April 2019); Senegal (September 2019); Sudan (October 2019); Cook Islands (December 2019); and Brazil (May 2020).
- 14.** Certain Member States have decided to extend the application of the MLC, 2006, to non-metropolitan territories. Since the last meeting of the STC the application of the MLC, 2006, has been extended to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (China) (August 2018); the British Virgin Islands and the Falkland Islands (Malvinas)⁹ (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (March 2020).
- 15.** Finally, many Member States have embarked upon the process of the ratification of the MLC, 2006, or have expressed their intention of doing so. Reference may be made, among others, to Egypt, Georgia, Israel, Pakistan, Turkey and Ukraine.

⁹ A dispute exists between the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning the sovereignty over the Falkland Islands (Malvinas).

► Appendix

Year of adoption	Instrument	Current status	Effect of the entry into force of the MLC, 2006	Ratification status ¹
1920	C007 – Minimum Age (Sea) Convention, 1920 (No. 7)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
	C008 – Unemployment Indemnity (Shipwreck) Convention, 1920 (No. 8)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	Proposed for abrogation – ILC 2021
	C009 – Placing of Seamen Convention, 1920 (No. 9)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	Proposed for abrogation – ILC 2021
	R009 – National Seamen’s Codes Recommendation, 1920 (No. 9)	Interim status ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
	R010 – Unemployment Insurance (Seamen) Recommendation, 1920 (No. 10)	To be revised ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
1921	C016 – Medical Examination of Young Persons (Sea) Convention, 1921 (No. 16)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	Proposed for abrogation – ILC 2021
1926	C022 – Seamen’s Articles of Agreement Convention, 1926 (No. 22)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	60 ratifications, 45 denunciations: 15 States and 10 NMTs *remain bound by the Convention
	C023 – Repatriation of Seamen Convention, 1926 (No. 23)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	47 ratifications, 34 denunciations: 13 States et 10 NMTs * remain bound by the Convention
	R027 – Repatriation (Ship Masters and Apprentices) Recommendation, 1926 (No. 27)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
	R028 – Labour Inspection (Seamen) Recommendation, 1926 (No. 28)	Replaced ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
1936	C053 – Officers’ Competency Certificates Convention, 1936 (No. 53)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	Proposed for abrogation – ILC 2021
	C054 – Holidays with Pay (Sea) Convention, 1936 (No. 54)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
	C055 – Shipowners’ Liability (Sick and Injured Seamen) Convention, 1936 (No. 55)	To be revised ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	18 ratifications, 13 denunciations: 5 States and 5 NMTs * remain bound by the Convention

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	C056 – Sickness Insurance (Sea) Convention, 1936 (No. 56)	Outdated ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	20 ratifications, 16 denunciations: 4 States and 3 NMTs * remain bound by the Convention
	R048 – Seamen’s Welfare in Ports Recommendation, 1936 (No. 48)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
	C057 – Hours of Work and Manning (Sea) Convention, 1936 (No. 57)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
	R049 – Hours of Work and Manning (Sea) Recommendation, 1936 (No. 49)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
	C058 – Minimum Age (Sea) Convention (Revised), 1936 (No. 58)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	51 ratifications, 45 denunciations: 6 States and 12 NMTs * remain bound by the Convention
	C068 – Food and Catering (Ships’ Crews) Convention, 1946 (No. 68)	To be revised ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	25 ratifications, 19 denunciations: 6 States and 2 NMTs * remain bound by the Convention
	C069 – Certification of Ships’ Cooks Convention, 1946 (No. 69)	To be revised ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	38 ratifications, 28 denunciations: 10 States and 8 NMTs * remain bound by the Convention
	R078 – Bedding, Mess Utensils and Miscellaneous Provisions (Ships’ Crews) Recommendation, 1946 (No. 78)	Request for information ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
1946	C070 – Social Security (Seafarers) Convention, 1946 (No. 70)	Outdated ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	7 ratifications, 1 denunciation. The Convention never entered into force
	C071 – Seafarers’ Pensions Convention, 1946 (No. 71)	To be revised ²	Not revised by the MLC, 2006	13 ratifications, no denunciations: 13 States and 2 NMTs * remain bound by the Convention
	R075 – Seafarers’ Social Security (Agreements) Recommendation, 1946 (No. 75)	To be revised ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
	C072 – Paid Vacations (Seafarers) Convention, 1946 (No. 72)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021

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	C073 – Medical Examination (Seafarers) Convention, 1946 (No. 73)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	Proposed for abrogation – ILC 2021
	R076 – Seafarers (Medical Care for Dependants) Recommendation, 1946 (No. 76)	To be revised ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
	C074 – Certification of Able Seamen Convention, 1946 (No. 74)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	Proposed for abrogation – ILC 2021
	R077 – Vocational Training (Seafarers) Recommendation, 1946 (No. 77)	Replaced ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
	C075 – Accommodation of Crews Convention, 1946 (No. 75)	Outdated ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	5 ratifications, 4 denunciations. The Convention never entered into force
	C076 – Wages, Hours of Work and Manning (Sea) Convention, 1946 (No. 76)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 200 – closed for ratification	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
1949	C091 – Paid Vacations (Seafarers) Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 91)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	Proposed for abrogation – ILC 2021
	C092 – Accommodation of Crews Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 92)	Interim status ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	47 ratifications, 32 denunciations: 15 States and 2 NMTs* remain bound by the Convention
	C093 – Wages, Hours of Work and Manning (Sea) Convention (Revised), 1949 (No. 93)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
1958	C108 – Seafarers' Identity Documents Convention, 1958 (No. 108)	Outdated ²	Revised by Convention No. 185 – closed for ratification	64 ratifications, 10 denunciations: 54 States and 16 NMTs* remain bound by the Convention
	R105 – Ships' Medicine Chests Recommendation, 1958 (No. 105)	Outdated ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
	R106 – Medical Advice at Sea Recommendation, 1958 (No. 106)	Outdated ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
	R107 – Seafarers' Engagement (Foreign Vessels) Recommendation, 1958 (No. 107)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
	R108 – Social Conditions and Safety (Seafarers) Recommendation, 1958 (No. 108)	Interim status ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	

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	C109 – Wages, Hours of Work and Manning (Sea) Convention (Revised), 1958 (No. 109)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
	R109 – Wages, Hours of Work and Manning (Sea) Recommendation, 1958 (No. 109)	Replaced	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
	R137 – Vocational Training (Seafarers) Recommendation, 1970 (No. 137)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
	R138 – Seafarers' Welfare Recommendation, 1970 (No. 138)	Outdated ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
	R139 – Employment of Seafarers (Technical Developments) Recommendation, 1970 (No. 139)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
	C133 – Accommodation of Crews (Supplementary Provisions) Convention, 1970 (No. 133)	Interim status ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	32 ratifications, 22 denunciations: 10 States and 1 NMT* remain bound by the Convention
1970	R140 – Crew Accommodation (Air Conditioning) Recommendation, 1970 (No. 140)	Interim status ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
	R141 – Crew Accommodation (Noise Control) Recommendation, 1970 (No. 141)	Interim status ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
	C134 – Prevention of Accidents (Seafarers) Convention, 1970 (No. 134)	To be revised ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	29 ratifications, 19 denunciations: 10 States and 1 NMT* remain bound by the Convention
	R142 – Prevention of Accidents (Seafarers) Recommendation, 1970 (No. 142)	Request for information ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
	R153 – Protection of Young Seafarers Recommendation, 1976 (No. 153)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
1976	C145 – Continuity of Employment (Seafarers) Convention, 1976 (No. 145)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	Proposed for abrogation – ILC 2021
	R154 – Continuity of Employment (Seafarers) Recommendation, 1976 (No. 154)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021

Year of adoption	Instrument	Current status	Effect of the entry into force of the MLC, 2006	Ratification status ¹
	C146 – Seafarers’ Annual Leave with Pay Convention, 1976 (No. 146)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	17 ratifications, 14 denunciations: 3 States and 3 NMTs * remain bound by the Convention
	C147 – Merchant Shipping (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 147)	Up to date ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	56 ratifications, 44 denunciations: 12 States and 8 NMTs * remain bound by the Convention
	R155 – Merchant Shipping (Improvement of Standards) Recommendation, 1976 (No. 155)	Up to date ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
1987	C163 – Seafarers’ Welfare Convention, 1987 (No. 163)	Up to date ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	18 ratifications, 14 denunciations: 4 States remain bound by the Convention
	R173 – Seafarers’ Welfare Recommendation, 1987 (No. 173)	Up to date ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
	C164 – Health Protection and Medical Care (Seafarers) Convention, 1987 (No. 164)	Up to date ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	15 ratifications, 12 denunciations: 3 States remain bound by the Convention
	C165 – Social Security (Seafarers) Convention (Revised), 1987 (No. 165)	Up to date ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	3 ratifications, 3 denunciations: no States remain bound by the Convention
	C166 – Repatriation of Seafarers Convention (Revised), 1987 (No. 166)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	14 ratifications, 10 denunciations: 4 States remain bound by the Convention
	R174 – Repatriation of Seafarers Recommendation, 1987 (No. 174)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
	C178 – Labour Inspection (Seafarers) Convention, 1996 (No. 178)	Up to date ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	15 ratifications, 14 denunciations: 1 State remains bound by the Convention
1996	R185 – Labour Inspection (Seafarers) Recommendation, 1996 (No. 185)	Up to date ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006	
	C179 – Recruitment and Placement of Seafarers Convention, 1996 (No. 179)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
	R186 – Recruitment and Placement of Seafarers Recommendation, 1996 (No. 186)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021

Year of adoption	Instrument	Current status	Effect of the entry into force of the MLC, 2006	Ratification status ¹
	C180 – Seafarers’ Hours of Work and the Manning of Ships Convention, 1996 (No. 180)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
	R187 – Seafarers’ Wages, Hours of Work and the Manning of Ships Recommendation, 1996 (No. 187)	Outdated ³	Revised by the MLC, 2006	Proposed for withdrawal – ILC 2021
	P147 – Protocol of 1996 to the Merchant Shipping (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1976	Up to date ²	Revised by the MLC, 2006 – closed for ratification	No State remains bound by the Protocol
2003	C185 – Seafarers’ Identity Documents Convention (Revised), 2003, as amended (No. 185)	Up to date ⁴		36 ratifications
2006	MLC, 2006 – Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (MLC, 2006)	Up to date ⁴		97 ratifications: 97 States and 10 NMTs* are bound by the Convention

* NMTs: non-metropolitan territories.

¹ Taking into account the ratification by Brazil of the MLC, 2006, and the Conventions that will be considered to have been denounced ipso jure as of 7 May 2021, when the MLC, 2006, will enter into force for this Member State.

² As decided by the Governing Body upon the recommendation of the Cartier Working Party.

³ As decided by the Governing Body upon the recommendation of the Special Tripartite Committee of the MLC in 2018.

⁴ Status not reviewed.