

## New Merchant Mariner Credential Booklets

The National Maritime Center (NMC) has been working with the Government Printing Office to refresh the Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC) booklet. The new design is complete, and the supply of the current MMCs is being depleted. The NMC will begin to issue the updated MMC when the supply of current booklets is exhausted, likely within the next week. The new MMCs feature an improved layout with graphic images of historic lighthouses, the Eads Bridge, the Merchant Marine Emblem, and a first-order Fresnel lens. Additionally, the cover of the MMC has been stiffened for greater durability. See sample pages below.

All currently active credentials will remain valid until their printed expiration dates. There will be no change to endorsement labels that are issued as a result of an application for a raise of grade or increase in scope of a valid MMC.

Check the [NMC website](#) periodically for updated information. If you have questions or feedback regarding the new MMC, please contact the NMC by using our Online Chat or Ticketing system, by e-mail at [IASKNMC@uscg.mil](mailto:IASKNMC@uscg.mil), or by calling 1-888-IASKNMC (1-888-427-5662).

Sincerely,

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