

Potential Government Shutdown

This notice serves as precautionary information due to the potential Government shutdown. If the government shutdown occurs, the National Maritime Center (NMC) is authorized to maintain a very small cadre of personnel to support National Security emergent issues. If the shutdown occurs the NMC will:

- Push notification via the Website and List Server.
- Maintain the Customer Service Call Center. 888-IASKNMC will be open and monitored from 0800 until 2000 Eastern Time Monday through Friday. REC and NMC phones will not be monitored.
- Maintain the website. We will attempt to keep the industry up to date on our status via the website.
- Regional Exam Centers will be closed.
 - Exam Appointments will be cancelled and must be rescheduled after the shutdown is lifted. On line scheduling will be disabled.
 - Appointments to drop off applications will be cancelled and must be rescheduled after the shutdown is lifted. On line scheduling will be disabled.
 - There will be no walk ins.
 - Applications may continue to be mailed or emailed and will be processed when the shutdown is lifted.

The NMC recognizes the impact that a potential shutdown may have on the maritime industry. We will do whatever we can to minimize the impact and to recover from a potential shutdown as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

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