

## STCW Frequently Asked Questions: QMED Endorsements

### **1. Will the NMC issue stand-alone pumpman, machinist, electrician, and reefer engineer endorsements until 2017?**

For mariners who began service or training before March 24, 2014, the Coast Guard will only issue these stand-alone endorsements until March 23, 2015. After that date, the Coast Guard will no longer issue original individual endorsements for refrigerating engineer, machinist, electrician, or pumpman. However, a mariner who holds any of these endorsements may continue to renew them as long as he or she is qualified.