be followed by the further endorsement (F.H.).

§ 12.25–20 Physical and medical requirements.

The physical and medical requirements for this subpart are found in part 10 of this chapter.


No ratings other than cadet (deck) or cadet (engine), as appropriate, and lifeboatman will be shown on an MMC issued to a member of the U.S. Merchant Marine Cadet Corps. The MMC will also indicate that it is valid only while the holder is a cadet in the U.S. Maritime Administration training program. The MMC must be surrendered upon the holder being endorsed in any other rating or upon being issued an officer’s endorsement and the rating of cadet (deck) or cadet (engine) will be omitted.

§ 12.25–30 Student observers.

Students in technical schools who are enrolled in courses in marine management and ship operations who present a letter or other documentary evidence that they are so enrolled shall be issued a MMC endorsed as student observers—any department and may be signed on ships as such. Students holding these endorsements will not take the place of any of the crew, or fill any of the regular ratings.

§ 12.25–35 Apprentice engineers.

(a) Persons enrolled in an apprentice engineer training program approved by the Commanding Officer, National Maritime Center, who present a letter or other documentary evidence that they are so enrolled may be issued an endorsement as apprentice engineer and may be signed on ships as such. The endorsement apprentice engineer does not authorize the holder to fill any of the regular ratings.

(b) Persons holding the endorsement apprentice engineer shall be deemed to be seamen.

§ 12.25–40 Apprentice mate.

A person enrolled in an apprentice mate training program approved by the Commanding Officer, National Maritime Center who presents a letter or other documentary evidence that he is so enrolled may be issued an endorsement as apprentice mate and may be signed on ships as apprentice mate. The endorsement apprentice mate may be in addition to other endorsements. However, this endorsement as apprentice mate does not authorize the holder to fill any of the regular ratings.

§ 12.25–45 GMDSS At-sea Maintainer.

An applicant is eligible to have his or her STCW endorsement include a statement of qualification as GMDSS At-sea Maintainer if he or she holds sufficient evidence of having completed a training program that covers at least the scope and content of training outlined in section B-IV/2 of the STCW Code (incorporated by reference in § 12.01–3) for training in maintenance of GMDSS installations on board vessels.

§ 12.30–1 Purpose of regulations.

The purpose of the regulations in this subpart is to establish requirements for