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*Order no. 736 of 27 June 2011 issued by the Danish Maritime Authority*

### **Order on a fee for welfare work for seafarers**

In pursuance of section 6 of act no. 253 of 25 April 1990 on the Danish Government Seamen's Service (*lov om Handelsflådens Velfærdsråd*), as amended by act no. 212 of 28 March 2001, the following provisions are laid down by authority:

**Section 1.** A welfare fee shall be paid per day for every seafarer engaged to work on a Danish merchant ship and insured under the act on industrial injury insurance (*lov om arbejdsskadesikring*).

*Subsection 2.* For seafarers on ships registered in the Danish International Ship Register, the welfare fee pursuant to subsection 1 shall amount to 270 øre. The fee shall be paid by the shipowner with 200 øre a day and by the seafarer with 70 øre a day.

*Subsection 3.* For seafarers on merchant ships other than those mentioned in subsection 2, the welfare fee pursuant to subsection 1 shall amount to 140 øre a day. The fee shall be paid by the shipowner and the seafarer with each one half.

*Subsection 4.* The shipowner shall be obliged to collect the seafarer's share of the fee by retaining 70 øre a day from the seafarer's wages and to pay the total fee amount to the Danish Government Seamen's Service. The fee amount for the first six months shall be paid by an amount on account in May and for the last six months in the month of November. When the shipowner pays the account payment for the first six months, he shall also make a final statement of the fee amounts due for the previous calendar year and pay any residues or deduct any outstandings.

*Subsection 5.* There shall be a right to levy distress on the amounts due from the shipowner and the seafarer.

**Section 2.** The welfare fee shall be paid for all the time that the seafarer receives wages. The fee shall also be paid for employees paid by day wages. In case of signing off following notice of termination, the fee shall, however, be calculated only until the day of termination.

*Subsection 2.* The shipowner shall be obliged to give the Danish Government Seamen's Service about information about the calculation of the fee amounts. The Service may order each individual shipowner to procure additional information.

*Subsection 3.* The payment of the welfare fee and reporting of the information mentioned in subsection 2 shall be made to a place in this country determined by the Danish Government Seamen's Service.

**Section 3.** The order shall enter into force on 1 July 2011.

*Subsection 2.* Order no. 541 of 18 June 2003 on fees and subsidies for welfare work for seafarers shall be repealed.

*The Danish Maritime Authority, 27 June 2011*

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