COMPETENCY 5: COMMUNICATE METEOROLOGICAL INFORMATION TO INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL USERS

Competency description

Marine weather forecasts and warnings are communicated in a timely and clear manner to meet user community needs.

Performance criteria

1. Ensure that all forecasts and warnings are disseminated via the authorized communication channels to user groups;
2. Provide marine weather briefings as necessary, and provide consultation to meet specific user needs;
3. Make use of forecasts and warnings of meteorological parameters, variables and phenomena to describe their impact on marine operations, safety of life and property, including the coastal environment and population.

Background knowledge and skills

* Knowledge of primary users and operations and weather sensitivities;
* Knowledge of available communication systems, techniques and methodologies;
* Ability to ask users the appropriate questions so as to better understand their needs;
* Ability to utilize cross-boundary consistency techniques – national and international – as well as inter-disciplinary and inter-agency checks as needed;
* Ability to communicate effectively, orally, graphically and in writing (level of details to meet the identified needs of specific users);
* Ability to communicate at an acceptable level of language proficiency.