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To: Dynamic Positioning Accredited Training Centres & DPOs			
Reference to: DP Revalidation and DP Refresher and Competency Assessment Courses			
Subject: Merging DP Revalidation and DP Refresher and Competency Assessment Courses			
Important Update: Merged DP Revalidation and Refresher Courses			
<p>The Dynamic Positioning Training and Executive Group (DPTEG) has approved the merger of the DP Revalidation and the DP Refresher and Competency Assessment Courses. This decision, made during DPTEG's 35th session on November 16, 2023, acknowledges the significant overlap in their content.</p> <p>The single, unified course will now be known as:</p> <p>DP Revalidation / DP Refresher and Competency Assessment Course</p> <p>What This Means for Training Centres:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expanded Approval: If your training centre is currently approved for the DP Revalidation course, you are now automatically approved for the DP Refresher and Competency Assessment course under this new, unified title. • Update Course Title: Please amend the course title in all your documentation to reflect the new combined name. • Streamlined Materials: You'll no longer need to manage two separate sets of course materials. • Combined Participants: Both revalidation and refresher participants can attend the same course. However, it remains the training Centre's responsibility to ensure the student-to-instructor ratio adheres to The Nautical Institute Standard and that either a DP Revalidation Course or a DP Refresher and Competency Assessment Course certificate is issued, along with the online TestReach exam. The course name on the certificate will serve to indicate the amount of DP sea time that the candidate has earned within the validity period of their previous certificate, prior to taking the course. <p>Participant Eligibility and Validity:</p> <p>While the courses are merged, the specific requirements for DPOs remain unchanged:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For DPOs with 30 days or more DP sea time: The DP Refresher and Competency Assessment Course (now part of the merged course) can be completed as needed. • For DPOs with less than 30 days of sea time: The Revalidation Course (now part of the merged course) can be completed as needed. • Both above courses maybe completed up to twelve months before the revalidation dates set by The Nautical Institute. The courses will be valid for only 12 months, during which time the DPO must apply to The Nautical Institute for certificate revalidation. 			
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