



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
Maritime  
Administration

## MANUAL OF ORDERS

### MARITIME ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

REVOKES

MAO 60-1 dated  
12/02/96

NO.

60-1

EFFECTIVE DATE

August 25, 2005

SUBJECT

ASSOCIATE ADMINISTRATOR FOR NATIONAL SECURITY

#### Section 1. Organization:

1.01 The Associate Administrator for National Security (Associate Administrator) shall be responsible to the Maritime Administrator for implementation and administration of the Maritime Security Program for assisting and maintaining a U.S.-flag merchant fleet to serve both the commercial and national security needs of the United States, foreign transfer of U.S. documented vessels, formulate national policies and programs for operation, maintenance, repair and disposal of administration-owned or acquired ships, and maintain liaison with Department of Defense officials on related matters, and maritime labor, emergency preparedness, including the utilization and control of ports and port facilities under national mobilization conditions, and certifying eligibility and issue or arrange for issuance of merchant marine decorations and awards as assigned to the Associate Administrator in DOT Order 1100.69A, Department of Transportation Organization Manual - Maritime Administration.

1.02 The organization structure and line of authority under the Associate Administrator shall be as depicted in the attached organization chart.

1.03 In addition, within the Immediate Office of the Associate Administrator are the Senior Advisor for National Security Programs, Defense Logistics Liaison Officer, MARAD/USTRANSCOM Liaison Officer, and the Supervisory Financial Analyst.

#### Section 2. Delegation of Authority by the Maritime Administrator:

2.01 Subject to such conditions and limitations as the Maritime Administrator may impose in other directives, the Associate Administrator is authorized to exercise all the authorities of the Maritime Administrator required to perform the functions assigned to the Associate Administrator in DOT Order 1100.69A, except authority to:

- 1 Approve requisitions in excess of \$200,000 for contracts, grants, and cooperative agreements or changes or modifications thereto which bring the aggregate amount to more than \$200,000 over the initial contract, grant or cooperative agreement.
- 2 Approve applications filed pursuant to sections 9, 37 (when operative), and 41 of the Shipping Act, 1916, as amended, for foreign transfer for operation or bareboat charter of vessels of 5,000 gross tons and over built with construction-differential subsidy.

2.02 The Associate Administrator is authorized to recommend the issuance of grants or cooperative agreements for research and development activities, when appropriate. In determining the feasibility and purpose of these activities, the Associate Administrator shall consult the Coordinator of Research and Development and other program officials who propose projects and be guided by policy statements, work plans or other guidance approved by the Maritime Administrator, or designee, regarding the use of these activities to support Maritime Administration program objectives.

2.03 The Associate Administrator is authorized to prepare work statements and evaluation criteria, monitor performance, and, as delegated, approve acceptance of completed work, for grants, cooperative agreements, and contracts necessary to carry out the assigned functions.

2.04 The Associate Administrator is authorized to exercise the following powers and authorities of the Director, National Shipping Authority:

- 1 Approve the appointment of Agents, General Agents, and Berth Agents.
- 2 Execute and terminate Time Charter, General Agency, and Berth Agency Agreements.
- 3 Approve and issue National Shipping Authority Regulations, under the Administrative Procedure Act, to Agents, General Agents and Berth Agents, and others outside the Government.
- 4 Make findings and approve actions relating to compensation payable to Agents, General Agents, and Berth Agents pursuant to the National Shipping Authority Regulations, 46 CFR Part 325.
- 5 Approve and execute Federal Port Controller Contracts and standby service agreements for control and utilization of ports during national emergencies, and allocation and service priority orders for port facilities.

2.05 In exercising the authorities vested in the Maritime Administrator as Director, National Shipping Authority, the Associate Administrator shall sign documents as follows:

(Typed Name)

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Director, National Shipping  
Authority

By: (Signature)


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(Typed Name)  
Associate Administrator for  
National Security

2.06 The Associate Administrator shall be the Contracting Officer for contracts entered into under the Maritime Security Program. This authority shall not be limited by the exceptions in section 2.01 above.

2.07 The Associate Administrator may redelegate the authorities set forth in sections 2.01 through 2.03 above, in accordance with Maritime Administrative Order 200-1. The authorities set forth in sections 2.04, 2.05, and 2.06 above may not be redelegated.

Section 3. Exercise of Redelegated Authorities:

Notwithstanding the above redelegation of authorities, the Associate Administrator shall bring to the attention of the Maritime Administrator any action which establishes or changes policy and any other case which in the judgment of the Associate Administrator should be acted on by the Maritime Administrator.

  
John Jamian  
Acting Maritime Administrator

