

From: VTS Committee  
To: IALA Secretariat

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## **LIAISON NOTE**

### **Reformatting VTS Model Courses**

#### **1 INTRODUCTION**

The VTS Committee reviewed input paper VTS43-3.2.3 with respect to the reformatting of the IALA VTS Model Course and expressed their gratitude to the Secretariat for their work.

##### **1.1 Related documents**

Model Course V-103/1, Edition 2 (VTS43-3.2.4) and the proposed new format of the same document (VTS43-3.2.5).

#### **2 DISCUSSION**

The VTS Committee reviewed the existing VTS Model Courses and compared the structure contained within the new document style with the structure utilised in the existing VTS Model Courses.

If IALA wish to proceed with the reformatting of the VTS Model Courses in the near future, then it is recommended that the structure used in the existing VTS Model Courses is directly transferred to the new document style without any modification. Whilst this would result in the VTS Model Courses being of a different structure to that proposed in the new document style, the series of VTS Model Courses would remain broadly consistent in structure.

Alternatively, the VTS Committee is considering making a new work programme proposal for the 2018-2022 period to review and revise the VTS Model Courses. This would present an opportunity to reconsider the structure to ensure that it is consistent and appropriate. Owing to the differing nature of the full range of IALA Model Courses it has not yet been determined whether a consistent style between the VTS and AtoN Model Courses may be achievable.

#### **3 ACTION REQUESTED**

The IALA Secretariat is requested to note the information contained within this document.