

## ECDIS Launch New ECDIS Annual Competency Assurance Training (ACATS) Service



(Photo: Screenshot from ECDIS ACAT User Guide YouTube Video <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kgiiv4O0JI4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kgiiv4O0JI4</a>)

This new annual service was produced in conjunction with the top 20 questions used for ECDIS Audit Inspections and the Inspectors ECDIS Course, both designed by ECDIS Ltd.

[Whiteley, Hampshire August 2016] For £200 per Hull, per year, regardless of the number of Officers or annual turnover of crew, it is now possible to keep the entire Bridge Team up-to-date regardless of which of the varying 38 manufacturers of ECDIS currently circulating the industry.

ECDIS ACATS ensures that the Officers are: 1) Up to date every year with any changes to the make and model of the ECDIS onboard, 2) Understand the key functions for safe navigation, 3) Prepared for PSC or an independent audit or inspection, 4) Refreshed annually in their knowledge of key menus and operational capability of the ECDIS, and 5) Company compliant in ECDIS through annual assessments.

George Ward, Project Support for ECDIS ACATS, which is based in ECDIS Ltd, Hampshire, states that "ECDIS ACATS is an effective assurance method of assisting the Maritime Industry as a whole to increase their underpinning knowledge in the Make and Model of their ECDIS fitted onboard and to keep up-to-date with the constantly evolving software from all the manufacturers worldwide. This product also allows the Ship Manager or Operator to have positive control over their Officers Annual Competency Assurance with regards to ECDIS, which in turn would reduce their training safety matrix for navigating with ECDIS."

To view the video clip explaining more visit: http://www.emaritimetraining.com

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## **About ECDIS Ltd**

ECDIS Ltd is a privately owned UK registered company. Originally offering just the IMO 1.27 Generic ECDIS course, it went on to become the largest global independent company in its field, now offering 30 STCW courses. In 2014 ECDIS Ltd was awarded runner-up in the UK National Business awards for International Growth.

As a training company with a wide portfolio of courses ranging from <u>Deck</u> to <u>Security</u>, ECDIS Ltd has a growing client base of 150 large commercial shipping companies, governments and military clients spanning every continent. Over the last five-year trading period, ECDIS Ltd has achieved a documented 96% perfection feedback on training courses and 98% for equipment. <a href="www.ecdis.org">www.ecdis.org</a>