

(II) THE PRINCIPAL OBJECTS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

1. To unite into one body the certificated captains, mates and engineers of Japan, and with united efforts to promote the prosperity of Japanese merchant shipping.
2. To improve the professional knowledge, and cultivate the character of members.
3. To elevate the position and ameliorate the economic status of the marine officers.
4. By making investigations into relevant matters or by representation on all boards, councils and committees interested, to strive to bring about necessary reforms of maritime laws, regulations or systems, and to solve current questions affecting seamen.
5. To protect and promote the common weal of the profession and provide adequate means of mutual relief or assistance for members.
6. To work for the realization of harmonious co-operation between shipowners and seamen.
7. To find employment, free of charge, for marine officers both ashore and afloat.

(III) ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANISATION.

(1) MEMBERSHIP.

All certificated Officers of the Japanese merchant marine are admitted as members of the association. A person holding no certificate shall be eligible as an "Associate".

Any who desire to join the association shall send in their application with the introduction of a member.

Each Member shall pay an annual subscription ranging from yen 10 to 20, according to the grade of his certificate, and when he is first admitted he shall make a special contribution of Y 5 to the general fund.

Each associate shall pay an annual subscription of Y 6.

Those who make a full payment of Y 300 at one time, are exempted from the further payment of annual subscriptions. All members have equal rights, privileges and benefits which the association provides or creates for them.

(2) ADMINISTRATION.

The officers of the association consist of seven directors and sixty councillors, all to be elected from among the members at a general meeting, and to hold their offices as honorary posts.

The term of office for the directors shall be three years. Councillors shall hold office for two years. Any officer may be reappointed.