C1/D Crew DS-160 Sample for a Seafarer (Philippines)

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See how a fictional able seaman from the Philippines joining a container ship in Long Beach answered the DS-160, including the crew page (employer, manning agency, vessel and IMO number), who pays and the ship's agent as his U.S. contact. Know what the form asks before you start your own.

This is a fictional example for educational purposes, not an official or pre-approved application. Your DS-160 answers must reflect your own circumstances. Do not copy the sample answers unless they are independently true for you.

Before you start: information you'll want ready

The form will ask for

- Your passport
- Your employer's name and phone, and your rank on board
- Your manning agency's name, address and phone, and your contact there
- The name and IMO number of the vessel you will join
- The ship's agent's name, address and phone at the U.S. port
- The issue date and number of your earlier C1/D visa

Helpful to have nearby

- Your contract or joining instructions, to copy names and numbers from
- Past employers and ships, with dates and a supervisor's name
- The countries you have visited in the last five years
- A recent photo that meets the U.S. visa photo rules

Questions applicants commonly get stuck on

How this fictional applicant answered, why, and what to check for your own form. Answer for your own situation, which may differ.

3.1 *Purpose of Visit*

Purpose of Trip to the U.S.	ALIEN IN TRANSIT (C)
Specify Visa	CREWMEMBER IN TRANSIT (C1/D)

Why Carlo Miguel is flying to Long Beach to join his ship, so he chooses Alien in Transit (C) and then Crewmember in Transit (C1/D).

For your application If you are joining or leaving a ship, look under transit on the list, not with the work visas.

19.1 Job Title — ABLE SEAMAN

19.2 Company Name — BLUE MERIDIAN SHIP MANAGEMENT PTE LTD

Why He works for the ship manager in Singapore that employs and pays him, so he names it here, with his rank, able seaman.

For your application Give your rank as your contract states it, and the company that employs you. Check your contract: that is often the ship manager or owner, not the agency.

19.4 Was This Position Obtained Through an Agency? — Yes

Agency Information

Agency Name	HARBORLINE MANNING SERVICES INC
Contact Surnames	SANTOS
Contact Given Names	LORNA
Street Address (Line 1)	4TH FLOOR, 1520 ROXAS BOULEVARD
Street Address (Line 2)	ERMITA
City	MANILA
State/Province	METRO MANILA
Postal Zone/ZIP Code	1000

Country/Region	PHILIPPINES
Agency Phone Number	63285550129

Why He was hired through a manning agency in Manila, so he answers Yes and gives the agency, its address and phone, and his contact there.

For your application If an agency placed you, take its details and your contact's name from your contract or the agency's letter.

19.5 Do You Intend to Work on a Vessel? Yes

Vessel Information

Vessel Name	MV PACIFIC MERIDIAN
Vessel Identification Number	9814237

Why He will work on board the container ship he joins in Long Beach, so he answers Yes and gives its name and IMO number.

For your application The identification number is the ship's seven-digit IMO number. Look for it in your joining instructions, or ask your agency.

8.1 *Contact Person or Organization in the United States*

Contact Person	*Do Not Know*
Organization Name	
Organization Name	HARBORVIEW SHIP AGENCY

8.2 Relationship To You OTHER

Why He knows nobody in the U.S., so he names the ship's agent in Long Beach, which handles the crew change, and chooses Other as the relationship.

For your application Your U.S. contact can be an organisation. The ship's agent at the port is usually named in your joining instructions, with an address and phone.

3.3 *Address where you will stay in the U.S.*

Address Line 1	455 W OCEAN BLVD
Address Line 2	*Not answered*
City	LONG BEACH
State	CALIFORNIA
Zip Code	90802
Person/Entity Paying for Your Trip	PRESENT EMPLOYER

Why His employer pays for the trip, so he chooses Present Employer, and gives the Long Beach address where he stays for the two days before he joins the ship.

For your application Name whoever actually pays your travel. Give the address where you will stay ashore, from your joining instructions if they name one.

5.1 Have you ever been in the U.S.? Yes

Details on your visit

Provide information on your last U.S. visit:

Date Arrived	*Length of stay in the U.S.*	*Time period*
June 19, 2024	1	DAY(S)

Do you or did you ever hold a U.S. Driver's License? No

5.2 Have you ever been issued a U.S. Visa? Yes

Previous U.S. Visa

Date Last Visa Was Issued	December 17, 2021
Visa Number	N4417302
Are you applying for the same type of visa?	Yes
Are you applying in the same country or location where the visa above was issued, and is this country or location your place of principal of residence?	Yes
Have you been ten-printed?	Yes
Has your U.S. Visa ever been lost or stolen?	No

Has your U.S. Visa ever been cancelled or revoked?	No

Why He spent one day in the U.S. on his earlier C1/D, and applies for the same type again in the same country, so he answers Yes to both.

For your application If you have been ashore in a U.S. port, list it with the date and how long you stayed. Copy the visa number and issue date from the visa in your old passport.

Common questions about this example

Do I need a new DS-160 to renew my C1/D?
Yes. Each visa application needs its own DS-160, and a renewal is a new application. Your earlier C1/D goes in the previous U.S. travel section, as Carlo Miguel's does.
Official source travel.state.gov

Is my employer the manning agency or the ship manager?
The crew page asks for both, separately: the company you work for, then the agency that placed you. Carlo Miguel works for a ship manager in Singapore and was placed by a manning agency in Manila. Your contract says which is which.

Where do I find the vessel's IMO number?
It is a seven-digit number that stays with a ship for its whole life, even when it changes name or owner. Look in your joining instructions, or ask your manning agency.

Can I work ashore in the U.S. on a C1/D?
No. The D visa is for working on board a vessel or aircraft, not for work on land. Carlo Miguel's form names the vessel he will join and gives his U.S. stay as two days.

The completed DS-160, question by question

1 Personal Information - Part 1

1.1	Surname	MENDOZA
1.2	Given Names	CARLO MIGUEL
1.3	Full Name in Native Alphabet	*Does Not Apply/Technology Not Available*
1.4	Have you ever used other names (i.e., maiden, religious, professional, alias, etc.)?	No
1.5	Do you have a telecode that represents your name?	No
1.6	Sex	MALE
1.7	Marital Status	MARRIED
1.8	Date of Birth	October 11, 1990
1.9	City of Birth	ILOILO CITY
1.10	State/Province of Birth	ILOILO
1.11	Country/Region of Birth	PHILIPPINES

2 Personal Information - Part 2

2.1	Country/Region of Origin (Nationality)	PHILIPPINES
2.2	Do you hold or have you held any nationality other than the one indicated above on nationality?	No
2.3	Are you a permanent resident of a country/region other than your country/region of origin (nationality) indicated above?	No

2.4	National Identification Number	4930217685013247
2.5	U.S. Social Security Number	*Does Not Apply*
2.6	U.S. Taxpayer ID Number	*Does Not Apply*

3 Purpose of Visa

3.1	*Purpose of Visit*	
	Purpose of Trip to the U.S.	ALIEN IN TRANSIT (C)
	Specify Visa	CREWMEMBER IN TRANSIT (C1/D)
3.2	Have you made specific travel plans?	No
	Please provide an explanation of your travel plans.	
	Arrival Date	February 11, 2027
	Intended length of stay in the U.S.	2
	Time period	DAY(S)
3.3	*Address where you will stay in the U.S.*	
	Address Line 1	455 W OCEAN BLVD
	Address Line 2	*Not answered*
	City	LONG BEACH
	State	CALIFORNIA
	Zip Code	90802
	Person/Entity Paying for Your Trip	PRESENT EMPLOYER

4 Travel Companions

4.1	Are there other persons traveling with you?	No

5 Previous U.S. Travel History

5.1	Have you ever been in the U.S.?	Yes
	Details on your visit	
	Provide information on your last U.S. visit:	

Date Arrived	*Length of stay in the U.S.*	*Time period*
June 19, 2024	1	DAY(S)

	Do you or did you ever hold a U.S. Driver's License?	No
5.2	Have you ever been issued a U.S. Visa?	Yes
	Previous U.S. Visa	
	Date Last Visa Was Issued	December 17, 2021
	Visa Number	N4417302
	Are you applying for the same type of visa?	Yes
	Are you applying in the same country or location where the visa above was issued, and is this country or location your place of principal of residence?	Yes
	Have you been ten-printed?	Yes
	Has your U.S. Visa ever been lost or stolen?	No
	Has your U.S. Visa ever been cancelled or revoked?	No
5.3	Have you ever been refused a U.S. Visa, or been refused admission to the United States, or withdrawn your application for admission at the port of entry?	No

5.4	Have you ever been denied travel authorization by the Department of Homeland Security through the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA)?	No
5.5	Has anyone ever filed an immigrant petition on your behalf with the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services?	No

6 Address and Phone Details

6.1	*Home Address*	
	Street Address (Line 1)	BLOCK 7 LOT 12, VILLA ANITA SUBDIVISION
	Street Address (Line 2)	BARANGAY TABUC SUBA, JARO
	City	ILOILO CITY
	State/Province	ILOILO
	Postal Zone/ZIP Code	5000
	Country/Region	PHILIPPINES
6.2	Is your Mailing Address the same as your Home Address?	Yes
6.3	*Phone*	
	Primary Phone Number	639185550147
	Secondary Phone Number	*Does not apply*
	Work Phone Number	*Does not apply*
6.4	Have you used any other phone numbers in the last five years?	No
6.5	Email Address	CARLO.MENDOZA@EXAMPLE.COM
6.6	Have you used any other email addresses in the last five years?	No

6.7 *Social Media*

Social Media Provider/Platform	*Link to Social Media Profile*
FACEBOOK	HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CARLO.MENDOZA.AB

6.8	Do you wish to provide information about your presence on any other websites or applications you have used within the last five years to create or share content (photos, videos, status updates, etc.)?	No

7 Passport Information

7.1	Passport/Travel Document Type	REGULAR
7.2	Passport/Travel Document Number	P3417726C
7.3	Passport Book Number	*Does not apply*
7.4	Country/Authority that Issued Passport/ Travel Document	PHILIPPINES
7.5	*Where was the Passport/Travel Document Issued?*	
	City	ILOILO CITY
	State/Province *If shown on passport	ILOILO
	Country/Region	PHILIPPINES
	Issuance Date	September 7, 2022
	Expiration Date	September 6, 2032

7.6	Have you ever lost a passport or had one stolen?	No

8 US Contact Information

8.1	*Contact Person or Organization in the United States*	
	Contact Person	*Do Not Know*
	Organization Name	
	Organization Name	HARBORVIEW SHIP AGENCY
8.2	Relationship To You	OTHER
8.3	*Address and Phone Number of Point of Contact*	
	U.S. Street Address (Line 1)	300 OCEANGATE
	U.S. Street Address (Line 2)	SUITE 850
	City	LONG BEACH
	State	CALIFORNIA
	ZIP Code (if known)	90802
	Phone Number	5625550136
	Email Address	OPS@EXAMPLE.COM

9 Family Information

9.1	*Father's Full Name and Date of Birth*	
	Surnames	MENDOZA
	Given Names	ROGELIO
	Date of Birth	April 1, 1962
	Is your father in the U.S.?	No
9.2	*Mother's Full Name and Date of Birth*	
	Surnames	MENDOZA
	Given Names	TERESITA
	Date of Birth	November 25, 1965
	Is your mother in the U.S.?	No
9.3	Do you have any immediate relatives, not including parents, in the United States?	No
	Do you have any other relatives in the United States?	No

10 Spouse Information

10.1	Spouse's Surname (Including Maiden Name)	MENDOZA
10.2	Spouse's Given Name	KRISTINE JOY
10.3	Spouse's Date of Birth	March 16, 1993
10.4	Spouse's Country/Region of Origin	PHILIPPINES
10.5	*Spouse's Place of Birth*	
	City	ROXAS CITY
	Country	PHILIPPINES
10.6	Type of Address Where Spouse Lives	SAME AS HOME ADDRESS

11 Current Occupation

11.1	Primary Occupation	OTHER
	Present Employer or School Information	
	Specify other	SEAFARER
	Present Employer or School Name	BLUE MERIDIAN SHIP MANAGEMENT PTE LTD

Present Employer or School Address	
Street Address (Line 1)	80 ROBINSON ROAD
Street Address (Line 2)	17TH FLOOR
City	SINGAPORE
State/Province	*Does not apply*
Postal Zone / ZIP Code	068898
Country / Region	SINGAPORE
Phone Number	6565550134
Start Date	October 31, 2017
Monthly Income in Local Currency (if employed)	92000
Briefly describe your duties	ABLE SEAMAN ON CONTAINER VESSELS; STAND NAVIGATIONAL WATCHES AS HELMSMAN AND LOOKOUT; MOORING, ANCHORING AND CARGO SECURING; DECK MAINTENANCE AND PAINTING

12 Previous Occupation

12.1 Were you previously employed?	Yes
Employer/Employment Information:	
Employer Name	ORIENT CREST MARITIME INC
Employer Address	
Employer Street Address (Line 1)	2ND FLOOR, 1880 TAFT AVENUE
Employer Street Address (Line 2)	MALATE
City/Town	MANILA
State/Province	METRO MANILA
Postal Zone/ZIP Code	1004
Country	PHILIPPINES
Employer Telephone Number	63285550118
Job Title	ORDINARY SEAMAN
Supervisor's Surname	AQUINO
Supervisor's Given Names	RENATO
Employment Date From	August 14, 2013
Employment Date To	September 29, 2017
Briefly describe your duties	ORDINARY SEAMAN ON BULK CARRIERS; ASSISTED WITH MOORING, LOOKOUT AND CARGO HOLD CLEANING; DECK MAINTENANCE UNDER THE BOSUN
12.2 Have you attended any educational institutions at a secondary level or above?	Yes
Provide the following information on the educational institution(s) you have attended.	
Name of Institution	JOHN B LACSON FOUNDATION MARITIME UNIVERSITY
Address	
Street Address (Line 1)	MOLO
Street Address (Line 2)	*Not answered*
City	ILOILO CITY
State/Province	ILOILO
Postal Zone/ZIP Code	5000
Country	PHILIPPINES
Course of Study	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MARINE TRANSPORTATION
Date of Attendance From	July 5, 2008
Date of Attendance To	April 29, 2012

13 Additional Occupation Details

13.1 Do you belong to a clan or tribe? No

13.2 *Provide a List of Languages You Speak*

Language Name
ENGLISH
FILIPINO
HILIGAYNON

13.3 Have you traveled to any countries/ regions within the last five years? Yes

Provide a List of Countries/Regions Visited

Country/Region
SINGAPORE
CHINA
KOREA, REPUBLIC OF (SOUTH)
JAPAN
PANAMA
NETHERLANDS

13.4 Have you belonged to, contributed to, or worked for any professional, social, or charitable organization? No

13.5 Do you have any specialized skills or training, such as firearms, explosives, nuclear, biological, or chemical experience? No

13.6 Have you ever served in the military? No

13.7 Have you ever served in, been a member of, or been involved with a paramilitary unit, vigilante unit, rebel group, guerrilla group, or insurgent organization? No

14 Security Background - Part 1

14.1 Do you have a communicable disease of public health significance? (Communicable diseases of public significance include chancroid, gonorrhea, granuloma inguinale, infectious leprosy, lymphogranuloma venereum, infectious stage syphilis, active tuberculosis, and other diseases as determined by the Department of Health and Human Services.) No

14.2 Do you have a mental or physical disorder that poses or is likely to pose a threat to the safety or welfare of yourself or others? No

14.3 Are you or have you ever been a drug abuser or addict? No

15 Security Background - Part 2

15.1	Have you ever been arrested or convicted for any offense or crime, even though subject of a pardon, amnesty, or other similar action?	No
15.2	Have you ever violated, or engaged in a conspiracy to violate, any law relating to controlled substances?	No
15.3	Are you coming to the United States to engage in prostitution or unlawful commercialized vice or have you been engaged in prostitution or procuring prostitutes within the past 10 years?	No
15.4	Have you ever been involved in, or do you seek to engage in, money laundering?	No
15.5	Have you ever committed or conspired to commit a human trafficking offense in the United States or outside the United States?	No
15.6	Have you ever knowingly aided, abetted, assisted or colluded with an individual who has committed, or conspired to commit a severe human trafficking offense in the United States or outside the United States?	No
15.7	Are you the spouse, son, or daughter of an individual who has committed or conspired to commit a human trafficking offense in the United States or outside the United States and have you within the last five years, knowingly benefited from the trafficking activities?	No

16 Security Background - Part 3

16.1	Do you seek to engage in espionage, sabotage, export control violations, or any other illegal activity while in the United States?	No
16.2	Do you seek to engage in terrorist activities while in the United States or have you ever engaged in terrorist activities?	No
16.3	Have you ever or do you intend to provide financial assistance or other support to terrorists or terrorist organizations?	No
16.4	Are you a member or representative of a terrorist organization?	No

16.5	Are you the spouse, son, or daughter of an individual who has engaged in terrorist activity, including providing financial assistance or other support to terrorists or terrorist organizations, in the last five years?	No
16.6	Have you ever ordered, incited, committed, assisted, or otherwise participated in genocide?	No
16.7	Have you ever committed, ordered, incited, assisted, or otherwise participated in torture?	No
16.8	Have you committed, ordered, incited, assisted, or otherwise participated in extrajudicial killings, political killings, or other acts of violence?	No
16.9	Have you ever engaged in the recruitment or the use of child soldiers?	No
16.10	Have you, while serving as a government official, been responsible for or directly carried out, at any time, particularly severe violations of religious freedom?	No
16.11	Have you ever been directly involved in the establishment or enforcement of population controls forcing a woman to undergo an abortion against her free choice or a man or a woman to undergo sterilization against his or her free will?	No
16.12	Have you ever been directly involved in the coercive transplantation of human organs or bodily tissue?	No

17 Security Background - Part 4

17.1	Have you ever been the subject of a removal or deportation hearing?	No
17.2	Have you ever sought to obtain or assist others to obtain a visa, entry into the United States, or any other United States immigration benefit by fraud or willful misrepresentation or other unlawful means?	No
17.3	Have you failed to attend a hearing on removability or inadmissibility within the last five years?	No
17.4	Have you ever been unlawfully present, overstayed the amount of time granted by an immigration official or otherwise violated the terms of a U.S. visa?	No
17.5	Have you ever been removed or deported from any country?	No

18 Security Background - Part 5

18.1	Have you ever withheld custody of a U.S. citizen child outside the United States from a person granted legal custody by a U.S. court?	No
18.2	Have you voted in the United States in violation of any law or regulation?	No
18.3	Have you ever renounced United States citizenship for the purposes of avoiding taxation?	No
18.4	Are you a former exchange visitor (J) who has not yet fulfilled the two-year foreign residence requirement?	No
18.5	Have you attended a public elementary school on student (F) status or a public secondary school after November 30, 1996 without reimbursing the school?	No

19 Crew Visa Information

19.1	Job Title	ABLE SEAMAN
19.2	Company Name	BLUE MERIDIAN SHIP MANAGEMENT PTE LTD
19.3	Company Phone Number	6565550134
19.4	Was This Position Obtained Through an Agency?	Yes
	Agency Information	
	Agency Name	HARBORLINE MANNING SERVICES INC
	Contact Surnames	SANTOS
	Contact Given Names	LORNA
	Street Address (Line 1)	4TH FLOOR, 1520 ROXAS BOULEVARD
	Street Address (Line 2)	ERMITA
	City	MANILA
	State/Province	METRO MANILA
	Postal Zone/ZIP Code	1000
	Country/Region	PHILIPPINES
	Agency Phone Number	63285550129
19.5	Do You Intend to Work on a Vessel?	Yes
	Vessel Information	
	Vessel Name	MV PACIFIC MERIDIAN
	Vessel Identification Number	9814237

20 Preparer of Application

20.1	Did anyone assist you in filling out this application?	No

Ready to fill in your own?

Answer the questions in plain language and save as you go. DS160.io then fills in your DS-160 on the official site for you. Filing is free for individuals.

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