Acceptable communications:  
oral presentation  poster

Official language:  English  
(Spanish only for the National Conference)

Title: in capital letters, 2 lines maximum.
Authors (maximum 6): Order of first and family names and institution or workplace. 
The speaker must be registered for the Symposium or the Conference. 
Poster presenters should be by their posters during poster session. 
Speakers must attend on time according the timetable of the scientific programme.

Abstract: no longer than 250 words; structure: introduction or background, objectives, methodology, results and conclusions.

Full paper: no longer than 12 DIN-A4 pages (double spaced), a maximum of six tables or/and six figures (one per page).
Bibliographic references: follow Vancouver style (International Committee of Medical Journal Editors), number according the sequence mentioned.

It must be submitted in an electronic format, PC file: Word or Word Perfect, Power Point for figures.

Poster size: recommended 120cm (long) x 90cm (large).

Preferably send it by e-mail: semm@semm.org, in case you send it by post: a diskette and two copies of the full text in paper.

Would you be willing to publish it in the Maritime Medicine Journal if selected for any of the sections? (try to send full electronic text on time, as soon as possible, for further information contact Dr. ML. Canals).

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INVITATION TO THE 7th INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON MARITIME HEALTH
Tarragona (Spain) 22-26 April 2003

Welcome / Bienvenidos / Benvinguts !!!
We are delighted to announce the Seventh International Symposium on Maritime Health and we invite you to attend. It will be held in Tarragona (former capital in Roman times, declared World Heritage by UNESCO) 22, 23, 25, 26 April 2003, with one day 24 in Barcelona (present capital of Catalonia). Tarragona and Barcelona are the main harbours of this outstanding and cosmopolitan area within the Autonomous Region of North-East of Spain. We will gather maritime health and related specialists from different countries of the world. The conference will feature symposia with a large variety of maritime health topics, workshops, year-in-review, poster sessions and satellite meetings. Some of the topics to be featured include: medical attendance and prevention, fitness examinations standards, emergencies on board, telemedicine, maritime history, occupational risk prevention, safety and hygiene, marine animals pathology, infectious, cardiovascular diseases, vaccinations, workshops of spirometry, echography, harbours, fishing industry, maritime medicine evidence base etc.

The main official language will be English. The 14th annual scientific meeting organised by the Spanish Society of Maritime Medicine, Sociedad Española de Medicina Marítima – SEMM –, a national Conference, will be included as a satellite meeting at the end, Spanish communications will be possible on 26th April, 2003.

We have the pleasure of sharing an important innovation in the organisation of these international meetings - this is the first time that the International Maritime Health Association (IMHA) has been involved so directly in the planning of the event.

This step, gives us a new opportunity to communicate experiences in maritime medicine. This is why we have titled the symposium “A Meeting Point for New Challenges to Improve Maritime Health”. We hope that the shared goal of all participants will be acquiring new tools to improve the health of all the persons involved in maritime activities, bearing in mind medical care as well as occupational, preventive and psycho-social aspects. We thank all the persons and institutions that are supporting this Symposium.

Ours is a truly warm invitation to new friends and old. We are saying WELCOME from the depths of our hearts, we have a lot of both hard work and enjoyment to share together.

We look forward to seeing you in April for what will be a memorable symposium.

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