



Australian Government  
Australian Maritime Safety Authority

# APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO BE REGISTERED

Shipping Registration Act 1981  
Section 12, Regulation 33

## Particulars of the demise charter

Name of owner

Address of owner

Nationality of owner

Name of charterer

Address of charterer

Nationality of charterer

Date of commencement

Date of termination

Proposed country of registration

## Particulars of ship

Name of ship

Official number (if ship is registered)

Type of ship

Overall length

 metres

Ship to carry paying passengers?

Yes  No

Principal material of construction

Method of propulsion

Call sign of main radio station

IMO number\*

Hull identification number\*

## Signature

Date

Signature of owner

*If the applicant is a corporation, the document may be formally executed under the corporate seal. Alternatively, an officer of the corporation may sign it, endorse it with a legible statement of his/her name and designation and have the signature witnessed.*

Place

Signature of witness

Name of witness

Address of witness

*Except where indicated by \*, the information requested in this form is required by the Shipping Registration Act 1981. It will be used for the purposes of the Act and will be available for search. It may be made available to government agencies for statistical and administrative purposes.*

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## NOTES

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### **IMO Number**

The seven digit number assigned by Lloyd's to commercial or trading ships.

### **Hull Identification Number (HIN)**

The identifier permanently marked on the hull of a pleasure craft by the manufacturer, or marked later in compliance with State laws (such as the New South Wales Government's Boat Code legislation).

### **Call sign of ship's main radio station**

The application should be accompanied by the call sign licence.

### **Demise charter**

Sub-section 3(1) of the Shipping Registration Act 1981 defines "demise charter" as follows:

"Demise charter", in relation to a ship, means the demise, letting, hire, or delivery of the ship to the charterer under a charter party, by virtue of which the charterer has whole possession and control of the ship (including the right to appoint the master and crew of the ship)'.

### **Ships required to be registered**

A ship is required to be registered if it is 24 metres and over in tonnage length and its purpose is to earn income by way of cargo, passengers or other services. However, fishing vessels, pleasure craft, government owned ships and ships of less than 24 metres tonnage length may be registered if their owners wish to do so. All ships must be registered if they proceed overseas.

### **Ships entitled to be registered**

A ship is entitled to be registered when it is majority-owned by an Australian nationals. Small craft (less than 12 metres in overall length) that are owned or operated by Australian residents of any nationality, and foreign ships on demise charter to Australian based operators may also be registered. Ships belonging to a defence force cannot be registered.

### **Australian national**

An Australian national is a person who is an Australian by birth or naturalisation, a company incorporated under Australian Company Law, a Government Authority.

### **Lodgement of the application**

The completed application form should be lodged with:

- the demise charter party,
- if the ship is not Australian registered, a builder's certificate, and
- the lodgement fee.

The application and supporting documentation should be sent to:

The Registrar of Ships  
Australian Shipping Registration Office  
PO Box 2181  
Canberra City ACT 2601  
Telephone (02) 6279 5921 Facsimile (02) 6279 5922

### **Fee**

The lodgement fee is \$A308.

Cheques must be made payable to the Australian Maritime Safety Authority.