Australian Government
Australian Maritime Safety Authority

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION

Shipping Registration Act 1981

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1. IMO Number

The seven digit number assigned by HIS on behalf of IMO to commercial or trading ships.

2. 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).

3. Call sign of ship's main radio station

A copy of the ship's call sign licence should be submitted with the application. Please note: call signs are issued by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA).

4. Proposed ship's name

Names that may not be approved are:

- names that are the same as or similar to names of registered ships or of ships about to be registered,
- blasphemous or otherwise offensive names,
- names of members of the Royal family,
- names that falsely suggest a connection with the Royal family, or international, national, state or local government bodies,
- names that include prefixes capable of indicating a type of ship (e.g. MV, FV, SS).

5. Proposed home port

The presently approved home ports are:

NSW: Sydney, Newcastle, Port Kembla, Yamba, Jervis Bay, Lake Macquarie, Port Stephens.

VIC: Melbourne, Geelong, Portland.

QLD: Abell Point, Brisbane, Bundaberg, Cairns, Gladstone, Hamilton Is., Hayman Is., Karumba, Mackay, Maryborough, Mooloolaba, Mourilyan, Port Douglas, Rockhampton, Rosslyn Bay, Southport, Townsville.

SA: Port Adelaide, Kingston, Goolwa, Wallaroo. Port Lincoln

WA: Broome, Fremantle, Dampier, Port Hedland.

TAS: Hobart, Burnie, Devonport, Launceston.

NT: Darwin, Gove Harbour.

Other home ports may be declared by the Australian Maritime Safety Authority upon application.

6. Long Range Identification and Tracking (LRIT)

LRIT applies to ships engaged on international voyages including:

- all passenger ships including high speed craft;
- cargo ships, including high speed craft, of 300 gross tonnage and above; and
- mobile offshore drilling units.

For further details see: www.amsa.gov.au/forms-and-publications/Fact-Sheets

7. Regulated Australian Vessel (RAV) / Domestic Commercial Vessel (DCV)

For further details see: www.amsa.gov.au/forms-and-publications/AMSA1089l.pdf

RAVs must maintain certification for unrestricted operations under the *Navigation Act 2012*. More information is available from: www.amsa.gov.au/

8. 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.

All ships must be registered if they undertake overseas voyages.

9. Ships that can be registered

Fishing vessels, pleasure craft, government owned ships and ships of less than 24 metres in tonnage length may be registered if their owners wish to do so.

10. Ships entitled to be registered

A ship is entitled to be registered when it is majority-owned by 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.

11. 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.

12. Lodgement of the application

The completed application form and lodgement fee should be returned to:

Shipping Registration Office
PO Box 255
Coffs Harbour NSW 2450

Courier address:
Shipping Registration Office
Level 2, 28 Gordon Street
Coffs Harbour NSW 2450,
Australia
Email: sro@amsa.gov.au
Telephone (02) 6279 5925

13. Fee

Methods of payment are credit card, direct funds transfer and cheque. Cheques must be made payable to the Australian Maritime Safety Authority.

For further information see:
https://www.amsa.gov.au/vessels-operators/ship-registration/shipping-registration-fees

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Particulars of ship

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*

Proposed name of ship

1st preference

2nd preference

3rd preference

Proposed home port (see Note 5)

Commercial vessels

Is the vessel a:

☐ Domestic Commercial Vessel (DCV)

Has this vessel been issued with a Unique Vessel Identifier (UVI) by AMSA after 1 July 2018?

☐ Yes – Details

☐ No

☐ Regulated Australian Vessel (RAV)
▼
☐ Copies of current certification attached

Details of intended certification once registered

Is the ship required to have a Conformance Test Report, or exemption, for Long Range Identification and Tracking (LRIT)? (See Note 6)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Has the ship been previously registered in Australia or elsewhere?

☐ Yes ☐ No
▼

Previous registration

Year registered

Registered name of ship

Country

Home port or port of registry

Official number of ship

If you are unable to supply any of the information in this section please give reasons

Building particulars

Name of builder

Place of construction

Builder's identification of ship or ship's name

If you are unable to supply any of the information in this section please give reasons

Signature

Date

Place

Signature of applicant

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 their name and designation and have the signature witnessed.

Signature of witness

Name of witness

Address of witness

Privacy Statement
*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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