



Australian Government
Australian Maritime Safety Authority

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO BE REGISTERED

Shipping Registration Act 1981

NOTES

IMO Number

The seven digit number assigned by IHS Markit 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. For new vessels this is adequate as proof of ownership, otherwise a certified copy of the Bill of Sale is required, and
- the lodgement fee.



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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*

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

Certification

I/We certify that the particulars provided in this form are true and correct.

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 his/her name and designation and have the signature witnessed.

Signature of witness

Name of witness

Address of witness

Except where indicated by * the collection of information requested in this form is either required or authorised by the *Shipping Registration Act 1981* (the Act). It will be used for purposes related to the Act (including possible overseas disclosure) and will be available for public search in circumstances as the Act requires. It may be made available to government agencies for statistical and administrative purposes. Failure to provide the information will result in the transaction not being processed. To contact us, or for more information on how to access or correct your personal information or how to make a privacy complaint, visit www.amsa.gov.au/privacy-policy