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**MERCHANT SHIPPING (FLAG STATE CONTROL) REGULATIONS,
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Merchant Shipping Act
(Act 2024–28)

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The Minister, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 1476 of the *Merchant Shipping Act*, makes the following Regulations:

PART I

PRELIMINARY

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the *Merchant Shipping (Flag State Control) Regulations, 2025*.

Definitions

2. In these Regulations,
“Act” means the *Merchant Shipping Act, 2024* (Act 2024-28);
“Administration” means the Barbados Maritime Transport Administration;
“Director” means the Director of Ocean Affairs;
“Flag State Control” means the authority of the Government of Barbados, through the Administration, over vessels flying the Barbados flag, regardless of where they are operating;
“flag state control officer” means a person designated by the Minister under regulation 5;

“foreign port” means a place in another state, whether proclaimed as a public harbour or not, to which ships may resort for shelter or to ship or unship goods or passengers, and to which ships generally have access;

“foreign waters” means the waters of a state that is not Barbados;

“Minister” means Minister responsible for Shipping;

“ship” has the same meaning as in the Act;

“statutory certificate” means a certificate specified in an international maritime instrument that has the force of law in Barbados, or in the Act or a subsidiary instrument made under it;

“statutory survey” means a supplementary survey to class requirements, carried out by a recognized organization or classification society on behalf of the Administration, for the purpose of verifying that Barbados-registered ships are in compliance with international maritime convention requirements; and

“vessel” has the same meaning as in the Act.

Purpose

3. The purpose of these Regulations is to ensure that international sea-going Barbados-registered ships comply with international and national laws and regulations governing maritime safety, marine environmental protection, maritime security and social, living and working conditions on board.

Application

4.(1) These Regulations apply to a vessel above 150 GT, and her crew, sailing under the Barbados flag and operating in foreign waters.

(2) Except where expressly provided otherwise, these Regulations do not apply to

- (a) a vessel flying the flag of a foreign country;
- (b) a fishing vessel;

- (c) a warship;
- (d) a naval auxiliary;
- (e) a wooden ship of primitive build;
- (f) a government ship used for non-commercial purposes;
- (g) a pleasure yacht not engaged in trade; or
- (h) a vessel to which the *Shipping (Domestic Vessels) Act, 2024* (Act 2024-22) applies.

PART II

FLAG STATE CONTROL MEASURES

Flag state control officers

5.(1) The Minister, after consultation with the Director, shall designate in writing flag state control officers to carry out inspections of Barbados registered vessels in foreign ports around the world.

(2) On the instructions of the Director, and in addition to surveys required by law to be carried out by classification societies, flag state control officers shall inspect Barbados-registered ships in accordance with these Regulations in order to ensure that they remain in compliance with international maritime safety, environmental, security and social standards.

Flag state control officers: professional profile

6.(1) A flag state control officer, whether operating on behalf of a company or freelance, shall confirm that there would be no conflict of interest if he were asked to act on behalf of the Administration.

(2) For the purpose of paragraph (1), a conflict of interest would include being employed by an International Association of Classification Societies, a

recognized organization or a management company operating Barbados-flagged ships.

(3) Every designated flag state control officer shall have professional indemnity insurance to the amount of 1 million Barbados dollars and shall, at the time of application to the Administration, indicate that he has such insurance or provide evidence that he will be able to obtain such insurance.

(4) A flag state control officer shall have one of the following qualifications:

- (a) as a master mariner (unlimited), with 3 years of sea experience;
- (b) as a chief engineer (unlimited), with 3 years of sea experience;
- (c) as a naval architect, with 5 years of experience in the field;
- (d) any other marine-related qualification, with 5 years of experience in the field; or
- (e) any other appropriate recognized qualification in marine surveying.

Identification

7. A flag state control officer shall be appropriately identified as such, and shall wear a badge or other form of appropriate and visible identification while conducting flag state inspections.

List of appointed flag state control officers

8. The Administration shall maintain a list of flag state control officers acting on behalf of the Administration, and shall make the list publicly available.

Pre-registration inspections

9. Prior to registration under the Barbados flag,

- (a) a vessel more than 25 years of age shall be subject to an inspection before registration;

- (b) a vessel less than 25 years of age, but at least 15 years of age, shall be subject to an inspection within 3 months of registration; and
- (c) any other vessel less than 15 years of age shall be subject to an inspection within one year of registration.

Objectives of flag state inspections

10.(1) The objectives of flag state control inspections in respect of a ship sailing under, or intending to sail under, the Barbados flag are to

- (a) support the quality shipping objectives of the Administration;
 - (b) enforce a high standard of compliance with international and national laws and standards for Barbados-registered vessels;
 - (c) verify that the actual condition of Barbados-registered vessels conform to the certificates they carry;
 - (d) ensure that the vessel's crew can effectively
 - (i) co-ordinate their activities in an emergency situation;
 - (ii) perform functions vital to safety; and
 - (iii) prevent or mitigate pollution; and
 - (e) monitor work performed by recognized organizations and nominated surveyors that act on behalf of the Administration.
- (2) The scope of verification under paragraph (1)(c) shall include
- (a) hull, equipment and manning;
 - (b) safety management;
 - (c) environmental systems;
 - (d) security systems; and
 - (e) any other relevant considerations.

(3) A flag state control officer shall report in writing to the Director on the matters outlined in paragraph (1) in relation to an inspection of a ship, accompanied by such photos as are appropriate.

Annual flag state inspections

11. After becoming registered under the Barbados flag, the Administration shall cause annual flag state inspections to be conducted in respect of Barbados vessels above 150 GT.

Inspections process

12.(1) Flag state control officers shall conduct annual flag state inspections.

(2) After completing a flag state control inspection, a flag state control officer shall

- (a) provide the master of the vessel with the inspection report; and
- (b) provide the Administration with the inspection report, including photos where appropriate.

(3) Where any deficiencies are highlighted in the report, the shipowner shall rectify the deficiencies in accordance with the conditions stated in the inspection report.

(4) Where deficiencies are not rectified, the Administration may

- (a) temporarily suspend the registration of the vessel; or
- (b) in the case of gross deficiencies, cancel its registration until the deficiencies are rectified.

Confidentiality

13.(1) A flag state control officer shall ensure the confidentiality of information required by the Administration and shall be prepared to provide any necessary information to the Administration.

(2) A flag state control officer shall carry out his work without breaching the intellectual property rights of shipyards, equipment suppliers or shipowners and shall not pass on or divulge commercially relevant data obtained in the course of his work.

Independence and impartiality

14. A flag state control officer shall

- (a) discharge his professional responsibilities with integrity;
- (b) at all times act and report in a fair and factual manner; and
- (c) carry out his duties in an impartial and transparent manner.

Fee arrangement

15.(1) A flag state control officer shall be engaged under a written fee scheme agreed to with the Administration, which shall include the fee for

- (a) inspections of ships and fixed and floating drilling rigs or other platforms;
- (b) travelling and communication costs; and
- (c) any other costs specified in the scheme.

(2) All inspections are to be invoiced to the Administration in accordance with an agreement with the flag state control officer.

(3) A flag state control officer shall not demand any payment from a ship's operators.

PART III

COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT

Rectification and detention

16.(1) A flag state control officer may detain a Barbados-registered ship if she is unsafe or is operating in violation of any requirements of

- (a) the Act and subsidiary instruments made under it;
- (b) the national seafaring laws;
- (c) the *Marine Transport (Emissions Control) Act, 2024* (Act 2024-25) and subsidiary instruments made under it; or
- (d) the *Merchant Shipping (Liability and Compensation) Act, 2024* (Act 2024-30) and subsidiary instruments made under it.

(2) A shipowner shall satisfy the flag state control officer that any deficiencies that are confirmed or revealed by an inspection are or will be rectified in accordance with national and international maritime laws.

(3) Where deficiencies are clearly hazardous to safety, health, the environment or the living and working shipboard environment, the flag state control officer shall detain the ship, or require the stoppage of an operation in the course of which the deficiencies have been revealed, in accordance with the powers of detention in the Act, or by issuing a prohibition notice under section 1061 of the Act.

(4) A detention notice issued in the circumstances described in paragraph (3) may

- (a) include a direction that a ship shall remain in a particular place, or shall move to a particular anchorage or berth; and
- (b) specify circumstances in which the master of the ship may move the ship from a specified place for reasons of safety or the prevention of pollution.

(5) Measures imposed by a flag state control officer in the circumstances described in paragraph (3) shall not be lifted until the Administration has established that the ship can, subject to any necessary conditions, proceed to sea, or an operation can be resumed, without risk to the safety and health of passengers or crew, a risk to other ships, or an unreasonable threat of harm to the marine environment.

(6) Where the overall condition of a vessel is obviously substandard, the flag state control officer may, in addition to detaining the vessel, suspend the inspection of that vessel until the responsible parties have taken the steps necessary to ensure that the vessel complies with the requirements of national and international maritime laws.

(7) When the Administration is informed that a Barbados-registered ship has been detained by a port state, it shall, in accordance with procedures established for this purpose, oversee the ship being brought into compliance with the International Maritime Organization conventions.

Appeal

17.(1) A shipowner may appeal against a detention within 30 days from the date of the detention notification.

(2) An appeal does not suspend a detention.

(3) A shipowner that wishes to appeal a detention shall state reasons for the appeal and provide supporting evidence in writing to the Director.

Standard of flag state inspections

18. Flag state inspections shall be conducted according to the standards for port state control inspections contained in the Caribbean Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control.

Restriction on activities of flag state control officers

19. A flag state control officer shall not conduct a statutory survey or issue a statutory certificate in respect of a Barbados-registered ship.

Accompanying measures

20. The Administration shall ensure that at least the following information concerning Barbados-registered ships is kept and remains readily accessible for the purposes of these Regulations:

- (a) particulars of the ship, including its name and International Maritime Organization number;
- (b) the dates of surveys and audits of the ship, including any additional and supplemental surveys;
- (c) the names of the recognized organizations involved in the certification and classification of the ship;
- (d) the names of the competent authority that has inspected the ship under the port state control provisions and the dates of the inspections;
- (e) the outcome of the port state control inspections;
- (f) information on marine casualties involving the ship; and
- (g) identification of ships that have ceased to fly the Barbados flag during the previous 12 months.

Flag state auditing process

21. The Administration shall provide for an audit to be undertaken in respect of the performance of recognized organizations and flag state control officers acting on behalf of the Administration.

Limits of flag state inspections

22.(1) Flag state control inspections carried out under these Regulations do not replace surveys for the issuance of class and statutory certificates.

(2) The goal of an inspection shall be to assist the ship owner and operator in complying with the application of international maritime standards prescribed by the International Maritime Organization instruments incorporated into

- (a) the Maritime Labour Convention 2006, as amended;
- (b) the *Marine Transport (Emissions Control) Act, 2024* (Act 2024-25) and the regulations made under it;
- (c) the Act and the regulations made under it; and
- (d) the *Merchant Shipping (Liability and Compensation) Act, 2024* (Act 2024-30) and the regulations made under it.

(3) The Administration shall ensure that flag state control inspections under the Maritime Labour Convention 2006, as amended, are carried out in accordance with the International Labour Organization Guidelines for Flag State Inspections under the Maritime Labour Convention 2006, as amended.

(4) The Administration shall ensure that flag state control inspections in respect of maritime safety, maritime security and marine pollution prevention are carried out in accordance with the International Maritime Organization guidelines for such inspections.

Certificates and documents to be carried on board Barbados vessels

23.(1) Every Barbados vessel shall carry on board the certificates and documents set out in the *Schedule*.

(2) On an inspection, these certificates and documents shall be checked to ensure that

- (a) the condition of the vessel is in compliance with the documentation; and

- (b) the vessel is manned and operated in compliance with applicable International Maritime Organization and International Labour Organization maritime instruments.

Additions to certificates and documents for flag state control inspections

24. The Minister may, by a merchant shipping notice, add to the list of certificates and documentation set out in the *Schedule* if

- (a) the additional certification or documentation is required in an amendment to existing International Maritime Organization or International Labour Organization maritime instruments; or
- (b) the additional certification or documentation is required in a future International Maritime Organization or International Labour Organization maritime instrument.

Offences

25.(1) A person who obstructs a flag state control officer or a person assisting a flag state control officer commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of \$10 000.

(2) Where a ship leaves a port or anchorage before an inspection is completed, the owner and master of the ship each commit an offence and are liable on summary conviction to a fine of \$10 000.

(3) It is a defence for a person charged under these Regulations to prove that he took all reasonable steps to avoid committing the offence.

SCHEDULE

*(Regulations 23)**Certificates and Documentation*

Certificate / Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
International Tonnage Certificate	All ships – the gross and net tonnage of which have been determined in accordance with the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969	Article 7, International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969
International Load Line Certificate	All ships – which have been surveyed and marked in accordance with the International Convention on Load Lines, 1966 or that Convention as modified by the 1988 Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention on Load Lines, as appropriate	Article 16, International Convention on Load Lines, 1966; Article 18, Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention on Load Lines
International Load Line Exemption Certificate	To any ship to which an exemption has been granted under and in accordance with Article 6, International Convention on Load Lines, 1966 or the Convention as modified by the 1988 Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention on Load Lines, as appropriate	Article 6, International Convention on Load Lines, 1966; Article 18, Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention on Load Lines

Schedule - (Cont'd)

Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
Intact Stability Booklet	Every passenger ship regardless of size and every cargo ship of 24 metres and over	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation II-1/22 and II-1/25-8; 1988 Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention on Load Lines, Regulation 10
Damage Control Plans and Booklets	Every passenger and cargo ship above 150 GT	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulations II-1/23, 23-1, 25-8
Minimum Safe Manning Document	Every ship to which Chapter I, International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 applies	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation V/14.2
Fire Safety Training Manual	All ships above 150 GT	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation II-2/15.2.3
Fire Control Plan Booklet	All ships above 150 GT	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation II-2/15.2.4

Schedule - (Cont'd)

Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
On-board Training and Drills Record	All ships above 150 GT	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation II-2/15.2.5
Fire Safety Operational Booklet	All ships above 150 GT	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation II-2/16.2
Document of Compliance	All ships above 150 GT	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation IX/4; ISM Code, paragraph 13
Document of Compliance with the Special Requirements for Ships Carrying Dangerous Goods	All ships carrying dangerous goods to which Regulation II-2/19, International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended) applies	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation II-2/19.4
Dangerous Goods Manifest or Stowage Plan	All ships carrying dangerous goods in packaged form	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulations VII/4.5 and VII/7-2; International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex III, Regulation 4

Schedule - (Cont'd)

Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
Cargo Securing Manual	All cargo ships	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulations VI/5.6 and VII/5
Safety Management Certificate	All ships above 150 GT	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation IX/4; ISM Code, paragraph 13
International Ship Security Certificate	All ships above 150 GT	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation XI-2/9.1.1; International Ship and Port Facility Security Code, Part A, Section 19 and appendices
Ship Security Plan and Associated Records	All ships above 150 GT	the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation XI-2/9; International Ship and Port Facility Security Code Part A, Sections 9 and 10
Continuous Synopsis Record	Every ship to which Chapter I, International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 applies	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation XI-1/5

Schedule - (Cont'd)

Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
Passenger Ship Safety Certificate	Every passenger ship to which the requirements of International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, Chapters II—1, II-2, III, IV and any other relevant International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 requirements apply	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation I/12 (as amended by the GMDSS amendments); Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, Regulation I/12 (2000 amendments)
Exemption Certificate	Every ship to which an exemption is granted under International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended)	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation I/12; Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, Regulation I/12
Special Trade Passenger Ship Safety Certificate	All Special Trade Passenger Ships	Special Trade Passenger Ships Rules, 1971, as amended, Rule 5
Special Trade Passenger Ship Space Certificate	All Special Trade Passenger Ships	Special Trade Passenger Ships Rules, 1971, as amended, Rule 5
List of Operational Limitations	Passenger Ships to which the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, Chapter I applies	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation V/30
Search and Rescue Co-operation Plan	Passenger Ships to which the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, Chapter I applies	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation V/7.3

Schedule - (Cont'd)

Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
Decision Support System for Masters	Passengers ships above 150 GT	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation III/29
Cargo Ship Safety Construction Certificate	All Cargo Ships of 500 GT and above	the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation I/12 (as amended by the GMDSS amendments); Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, Regulation I/12
Cargo Ship Safety Equipment Certificate	All Cargo Ships of 500 GT and above	the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation I/12 (as amended by the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System amendments); Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, Regulation I/12
Cargo Ship Safety Radio Certificate	All Cargo Ships of 300 GT and above	the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation I/12 (as amended by the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System amendments); Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, Regulation I/12

Schedule - (Cont'd)

Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
Cargo Ship Safety Certificate	All Cargo Ships required to comply with the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, Chapters II-1, II-2, III, IV, V and other relevant International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 requirements	Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, Regulation I/12
International Safety Management Certificate	All passenger ships, cargo ships, oil tankers, chemical tankers, gas carriers, bulk carriers, mobile offshore units and cargo high-speed craft of 500 GT and above	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Chapter IX; PART A, ISM Code
Cargo Information	All Cargo Ships	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulations VI/2 and XII/10
Enhanced Survey report File	Bulk carriers and oil tankers	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation XI-1/2
Bulk Carrier Booklet	Bulk carriers	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulations VI/7 and XII/8; Code of Practice for the Safe Loading and Unloading of Bulk Carriers (BLU) Code

Schedule - (Cont'd)

Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
Document of Authorization for the Carriage of Grain	All ships to which the International Code for the Safe Carriage of Grain in Bulk applies	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation VI/9; Section 3, International Code for the Safe Carriage of Grain in Bulk
High-Speed Craft Safety Certificate	All high-speed craft to which the International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft applies	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation X/3; International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft, Section 1.8
Permit to Operate High-Speed Craft	A certificate called a Permit to Operate High-Speed Craft shall be issued to a craft which complies with the requirements set out in paragraphs 1.2.2 to 1.2.7 of the 1994 International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft or the 2000 International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft, as appropriate.	1994 International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft, Section 1.9; 2000 International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft, Section 1.9
International Certificate of Fitness for the Carriage of INF Cargo	All ships carrying packaged irradiated nuclear fuel, plutonium and high-level radioactive wastes	the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation VII/16; International Code for the Safe Carriage of Packaged Irradiated Nuclear Fuel, Plutonium and High-Level Radioactive Wastes on Board Ships (INF) Code

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Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
Nuclear Cargo Ship Safety Certificate	All nuclear-powered cargo ships	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation VIII/10
Nuclear Passenger Ship Safety Certificate	All nuclear-powered passenger ships	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation VIII/10
Special Purpose Ship Safety Certificate	All Special Purpose Ships	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation I/12; Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, Regulation I/12
Voyage Data Recorder System Certificate of Compliance	All ships above 150 GT	International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (as amended), Regulation V/18.8
Mobile Offshore Drilling Unit Safety Certificate	All mobile offshore drilling units	International Maritime Organization Resolution A.414(XI), Section 1.6; International Maritime Organization Resolution A.649(16) as modified by International Maritime Organization Resolution MSC.38(63), Section 1.6

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Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
Certificates for Masters, Officers or Ratings	All ships above 150 GT	International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers 1978, Article VI, Regulation I/2; International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers Code, Section A-I/2
Maritime Labour Certificate	All ships of 500 GT and above	Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (as amended), Regulation 5.1.3
Declaration of Maritime Labour Compliance	All ships of 500 GT and above Every ship (other than an oil tanker) of 400 GT and above	Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, Regulation 5.1.3
International Oil Pollution Prevention Certificate (IOPP)	Every ship (other than an oil tanker) of 400 GT and above Every oil tanker of 150 GT and above	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex I, Regulation 5
Oil Record Book	Every oil tanker of 150 GT and above Every ship (other than an oil tanker) of 400 GT and above	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex I, Regulation 20

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Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
Shipboard Oil Pollution Emergency Plan (SOPEP)	Every oil tanker of 150 GT and above Every ship (other than an oil tanker) of 400 GT and above	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex I, Regulation 26
Record of Oil Discharge Monitoring and Control System for the Last Ballast Voyage	Every oil tanker of 150 GT and above	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex I, Regulation 15(3)(a)
Dedicated Clean Ballast Tank Operation Manual	Every oil tanker with dedicated clean ballast tanks	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex I, Regulation 13A
Crude Oil Washing Operation and Equipment Manual	Every oil tanker operating with crude oil washing systems	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex I, Regulation 13B
Condition Assessment Scheme (CAS) Statement of Compliance, CAS Final Report and Review Record	Every oil tanker which has been surveyed in accordance with the requirements of the Condition Assessment Scheme (CAS) International Maritime Organization Resolution MEPC.94(46)	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex I, Regulation 13G; amendments International Maritime Organization Resolution MEPC.95(46)

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Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
Hydrostatically Balanced Loading (HB) Operation Manual	Every oil tanker which operates with Hydrostatically Balanced Loading	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex I, Regulation 13G; amendments International Maritime Organization Resolution MEPC.95(46)
Oil Discharge Monitoring and Control (ODMC) Operation Manual	Every oil tanker fitted with an Oil Discharge Monitoring and Control System	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex I, Regulation 15 (3) (c)
Subdivision and Stability Information	Every oil tanker to which Regulation 25, International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, Annex I applies	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex I, Regulation 25
International Pollution Prevention Certificate for the Carriage of Noxious Liquid Substances in Bulk (NLS Certificate)	All ships carrying noxious liquid substances in bulk	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex II, Regulations 11 and 12A
Cargo Record Book	Every ship to which Annex II, International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 applies	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex II, Regulation 9
Procedures & Arrangements (P&A) Manual	Every ship certified to carry noxious liquid substances in bulk	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex II, Regulations 5, 5A and 8

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Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
Shipboard Marine Pollution Emergency Plan for Noxious Liquid Substances	Every ship of 150 GT and above	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Regulation 16
International Sewage Pollution Prevention Certificate (ISPP)	Any ship which is required to comply with the provisions of Regulation 4, Annex IV, International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex IV, Regulation 5
Garbage Certificate of Compliance	Every ship of 400 GT and above Every ship which is certified to carry 15 persons or more	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex V
Garbage Management Plan	Every ship of 400 GT and above Every ship which is certified to carry 15 persons or more	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex V, Regulation 9
Garbage Record Book	Every ship of 400 GT and above Every ship which is certified to carry 15 persons or more	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex V, Regulation 9
Engine International Air Pollution Prevention (EIAPP) Certificate	For ship engines that meet the international Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) emission limits for marine diesel engines	Protocol of 1978 to the International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973 Annex VI, Regulation 13

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Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
Record of the Tier and On/Off Status of Marine Diesel Engines	To all ships entering and exiting a NO _x Tier III Emission Control Area (NECA) or when the on/off status of an engine changes within such an area	Protocol of 1978 to the International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, Annex VI, Regulation 13.5.3
Record Book of Engine Parameters	For ship engines that must meet the required international Nitrogen Oxide (NO _x) emission limits	Protocol of 1978 to the International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, Annex VI, Regulation 13; NO _x Technical Code to the International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, Annex VI, 6.2.3.2 and 6.2.3.3
NO _x Technical File	For each NO _x certified diesel engine	Protocol of 1978 to the International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, Annex VI, Regulation 13; NO _x Technical Code to International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, Annex VI, Regulation 2.3.4

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International Air Pollution Prevention (IAPP) Certificate	All ships of 400 GT and above, fixed and floating drilling rigs and other platforms	Protocol of 1978 to the International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, Annex VI, Chapter III, Regulation 6
Ozone Depleting Substances Record Book	All ships of 400 GT and above, fixed and floating drilling rigs and other platforms	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, Annex VI, Chapter III, Regulation 12.7
International Energy Efficiency (IEE) Certificate	All ships of 400 GT and above, fixed and floating drilling rigs and other platforms	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, Annex VI, Chapter IV, Regulation 21
Record of Fuel Oil Change-over	To all ships prior to entering a SOx Emission Control Area (SECA)	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, Annex VI, Regulation 14.6
Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP)	All ships of 500 GT and above	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, Annex VI, Chapter IV, Regulation 22

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Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
EEXI Technical File	As of January 1, 2023 – All vessels of 400 GT and above shall have on board an EEXI Technical File	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, Annex VI, [2023 EEXI Regulations] International Maritime Organization MEPC 76, 10 to 17 June, 2021
Certificate of Fitness for Offshore Support Vessels	All Offshore Support Vessels	International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, Annex II, Regulation 13(4)
International Anti-fouling System Certificate	All ships of 400 GT and above	Article 11, International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-Fouling Systems on Ships (AFS), 2001 (as amended)
Declaration on Anti-fouling System	All ships of less than 400 GT but of 24 metres or more in length	Article 11, AFS Convention (as amended)
International Ballast Water Management Certificate	All ships of 400 GT and above	Article 9, International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediment (BWM), 2004 (as amended)
Approved Ballast Water Management Plan	All ships of 400 GT and above	Regulation B-1, BWM Convention

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Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
Ballast Water Record Book	Each ship shall have on board a Ballast Water record book that may be an electronic record system, or that may be integrated into another record book or system and, which shall at least contain the information specified in Appendix II, BWM Convention	Regulation B-2, BWM Convention
Certificate of Fitness for the Carriage of Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk	All chemical tankers built before July 1, 1986	Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (BCH) Code, Section 1.6
International Certificate of Fitness for the Carriage of Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk	All chemical tankers built after July 1, 1986	International Bulk Chemical (IBC) Code (as amended), Section 1.5
Certificate of Fitness for Carriage of Liquefied Gases in Bulk	All gas carrying ships constructed before July 1, 1986	Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (GC) Code, Section 1.6
International Certificate of Fitness for the Carriage of Liquefied Gases in Bulk	All gas carrying ships constructed after July 1, 1986	International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk; Section 1.5 International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (as amended)
Diving System Safety Certificate	All diving systems complying with the requirements of the Code of Safety for Diving Systems	International Maritime Organization Resolution A.536(13), Section 1.6

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Certificate/ Documentation	Vessel Type	International Maritime Convention Requirement
Wing-in-Ground (WIG) Craft Safety Certificate	All craft that comply with the provisions of the Interim Guidelines for WIG craft	MSC/Circ.1054, Section 9
Permit to Operate WIG Craft	A permit to operate should be issued by the Administration to certify compliance with the provisions of the Interim Guidelines for WIG craft	MSC/Circ.1054, Section 10
Dynamically Supported Craft Construction and Equipment Certificate	To be issued after survey carried out in accordance with paragraph 1.5.1(a) of the Code of Safety for Dynamically Supported Craft	International Maritime Organization Resolution A.373(X), Section 1.6
Noise Survey Report	A noise survey report should be made for each ship in accordance with the Code on Noise Levels on Board Ships	International Maritime Organization Resolution A.468(XII), section 4.3

Made by the Minister this 23rd day of April, 2025.

G.P.I GOODING-EDGHILL
Minister responsible for Shipping

Fee Waivers

15. The Minister may wholly or partially waive any fees to be paid pursuant to a shipping (fee) notice.

Made by the Minister this 23rd day of April, 2025.

G.P.I. GOODING-EDGHILL

Minister responsible for Shipping