



To ALL SHIPOWNERS, OPERATORS, MASTERS AND OFFICERS OF MERCHANT SHIPS, RO/RSO,
SURVEYORS
Subject GUIDELINE: SHIP REGISTRATION

REQUIREMENTS:

As standard practice, the Directorate undertakes a thorough vetting process of all vessels seeking registration. The vetting process includes due diligence screening of the owning and operating entities, to include actual beneficial ownership of the vessel. For this reason, please identify all natural persons in the vessel ownership structure who ultimately hold a 25% or greater interest in the vessel and indicate the country in which each resides. In the event the vessel ownership structure terminates with no natural person(s) ultimately owning 25% or more interest in the vessel, please provide a statement to that effect and the name(s) of the natural person(s) exercising control of the legal person through other means. Alternatively, if all the ultimate owning legal entities are publicly traded, please provide a statement to that effect and identify the ultimate owning legal entity or entities. This information is kept confidential, but we must have it to satisfy our trade compliance policy.

OWNERSHIP STRUCTURE:

Every Nicaragua International Aquatic Transportation Administration registered vessel must be owned through a Nicaragua Entity or a Foreign Maritime Entity.

APPLICATION/DOCUMENTATION/REQUIREMENTS:

1. Online Application for Registration
2. **Certified True Copy** of Power of Attorney or Corporate Resolutions: Authority of Agent/Officer
3. Copy of ISM Document of Compliance (DOC) issued by Recognized Organization (RO)*
4. Copy of LRIT Conformance Test Report (CTR)*
5. Email Request sent to Registration department (ships@niataregister.org) for a new DMLC Part I or a National Statement of Compliance for non-self-propelled Copy of International Tonnage Certificate (ITC)
6. Copy of P&I's Cover Note or Certificate of Entry
7. Electronic Original Oil Blue Card for vessels carrying 2000 Tons or more Oil in Bulk*
8. Electronic Original Bunker Blue Card for vessels over 1000 gross tons
9. Electronic Original Wreck Removal Blue Card for vessels over 300 gross tons*
10. Electronic Original Ship-owner Liability in Cases of Abandonment Blue Card, if applicable
11. Electronic Original Treatment of Contractual Claims, Death and Long-Term Disability Blue Card if applicable
12. Electronic Original Passenger Liability Blue Card for vessels carrying more than 12 passengers, if applicable*
13. Copy of Green Award Certificate, if available*
14. Copy of CSR Amendment Form *
15. Copy of existing Continuous Synopsis Records (CSRs) from previous registry*
16. Copy of Proof of Payment Registration Fee

RO Documents (if authorized, these will be requested directly from RO by Registration Dept:

17. Copy of Confirmation of Class Certificate and Class Statement "Fit to Proceed to Sea" (dated within 10 days before registration)
18. Copy of Survey Reports, Special Survey Reports, Statutory Certificates for vessels 20 years of age and above

Closing Documents to be received on or prior to the day of Registration:

19. Copy of Certificate of No Liens issued by previous Registry (dated within 3 working days before registration)
20. Copy of Bill of Sale

Electronic Certificates issued upon receipt of all required documents:

21. Provisional Certificate of Registry
22. Temporary Authority Ship Radio License
23. Minimum Safe Manning Certificate
24. Civil Liability Certificate if applicable*
25. Civil Liability Bunker Certificate
26. Wreck Removal Liability Certificate*
27. Carriage of Passengers and Luggage Liability Certificate, if applicable*
28. Waiver of the Nicaragua Flag vessel Age, if applicable for vessels over 20 years of age

Post Delivery Documentation to be followed-up:

29. Copy of Safety Management Certificate (SMC) issued by RO*
30. Copy of International Ship Security Certificate (ISSC) issued by RO*
31. Copy of Maritime Labour Certificate (MLC) issued by RO*
32. Copy of Deletion/Cancellation Certificate if it was not received on the day of closing
33. Copy of Deletion/Stricken CSR issued by Previous Registry, if applicable*

Electronic Certificate to be issued post-closing:

34. CSR for Registration*

***May not be applicable for non-self-propelled vessels**

For more details on registration guidelines please write to
Ship Registration department email:
Registration Department: ships@niataregister.org

Information:

Application can be submitted electronically or through email attachment by sending all required documents along with the completed application form (can be downloaded from: www.niataregister.org)