

Ship and Yacht Registration

Seychelles

The Merchant Shipping Act, 1992 governs the shipping industry in Seychelles. Ships and yachts may be registered in Seychelles under the terms of the Act. The present law makes provision for consular and diplomatic representatives of Seychelles abroad to issue provisional certificates of registration to vessels to satisfy the ownership and registration criteria. Additionally, the law also allows for parallel registration of bareboat charters in the Seychelles registry; a Seychelles vessel may be registered abroad during chartering.

Registration procedure

All vessels are required to be classed by a classification society that is recognised by the Maritime Authority. The following societies and associates are currently approved for the issuance of international convention statutory certificates:

American Bureau of Shipping (ABS)	Det Norske Veritas (DNV)	Lloyd's Register of Shipping (LR)
Bureau Veritas (BV)	Germanischer Lloyd (GL)	Nippon Kaiji Kyokai (NKK)
China Classification Society (CCS)	Indian Register of Shipping (IRS)	Registro Italiano Navale (RINA)
Croatian Register of shipping (CRS)	Korean Register of Shipping (KRS)	Russian Maritime Register of Shipping (RS)

The age limit for the registration is 15 years. Waivers may be granted for older vessels depending upon their condition and classification.

Documents to be submitted

- Application form for the registration of the yacht (form RS01A)
- Declaration of ownership (must have the signatories and stamp of the notary, lawyer or the company stamp)
- Copy of certificate of incorporation of owner company
- Builder's certificate (newly built vessel)
- Deletion certificate (only if the vessel had been previously registered and not applicable to newly built vessels)
- Copy of Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association
- Bill of sale
- A photo of the yacht (colour)
- Copy of the present registry (if owner is changing register)
- International tonnage certificate (limit to be decided by Seychelles Maritime Safety Agency)
- International load line certificate (applicable of vessels of 24 metres or more in length). Issued by an approved classification society or administration
- Safety equipment certificate (applicable to vessels of 500 gross tonnage or more). Issued by the administration or approved classification society
- Safety radio certificate (applicable to vessels of 300 tonnage or more) issued by approved classification society or the administration
- Safe manning certificate (decided by the administration but applicable to vessels of 500 gross tonnage or more)



- International oil pollution prevention certificate applicable to vessels of 400 gross tonnage or more issued by an approved classification society or the administration
- Certificate of compliance (applicable to vessels of less than 500 gross tonnage operating on a commercial basis). Issued by an approved classification society or the administration)
- Radio application form
- Owner must inform the ship registration office if they need Maritime Mobile Service Identity (MMSI) number while registering process is underway.

Upon submission of the above-mentioned documents and payment of the registration fees, the vessel can be registered within 1-2 days.

Note: if present owner does not have the deletion certificate from the present country of registration, then the owner will be issued with a provisional yacht registry certificate valid for 90 days. Once he receives the deletion certificate he is to present it to the ship registration officer who will then issue a permanent yacht registry certificate at no extra cost.



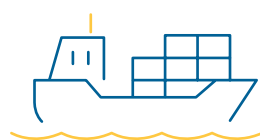
US\$1/GT with a minimum of **US\$500**

Any vessel less than 10,000 GT



US\$10,000 + US\$0.45/GT for each ton in excess of 10,000 GT

10,000 – 49,999.00 GT



US\$30,000 + US\$0.20 GT for each in excess of 50,000 GT

50,000 GT or more

Other fees at the time of registration

Certificate of registration: US\$150

De-registration of ship government deposit, Seychelles Government: US\$150

Annual fee: Depends on gross tonnage

Annual Tonnage Fees

Less than 1,600GT: US\$0.50/GT

1,600 – 4,999.99 GT: US\$0.40/GT

5,000 – 9,999.99 GT: US\$0.20/GT

10,000 GT or more: US\$0.10/GT



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