

# TUVALU SHIP REGISTRY

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# REGISTRY CIRCULAR RC-1/2012/2

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FOR: Ship Owners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators

#### SUBJECT: REGISTRATION FOR NEWBUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION

**PURPOSE:** This circular provides guidance to apply for a Certificate of Intended Registry for Newbuilding under Construction (CNC) on the Tuvalu On-line Registry (TOR) platform.

#### A. GENERAL

- 1. Applying for a CNC allows ship owners / ship builders (in their capacity) who wish to apply for a certificate that supports their intention to register newbuilding(s) prior to construction under Tuvalu for various reasons which may include having a flag to consult for technical matters or to meet mortgage recording requirements by banks when taking out a loan to finance the building of the vessel.
- 2. Upon approval, a CNC shall be granted for a period of twelve (12) months while allowing for extensions in blocks of three (3) months until such time the building of the vessel is completed.

## **B. TUVALU ON-LINE REGISTRY (TOR) PLATFORM**

- 1. The Tuvalu Administration has adopted the full implementation of electronic certificates (refer to Marine Circular MC-5/2016/1 for more details).
- 2. To login to the TOR platform or to register for an account, please go to the ONLINE SERVICES menu at https://tvship.com.
- 3. A TOR account is required to apply for registration and submit all registration documents (refer to Section C of this circular) on the TOR platform.
- 4. TOR users will be able to access their vessel(s) online and download invoices, certificates, exemption letters etc. after a CNC is approved.

(Note: Please contact this office either by phone/email (+65-6224-2345 / <a href="mailto:support@tvship.com">support@tvship.com</a>) with submission of a screen shot(s) should you experience any problems on the TOR platform)

#### C. DOCUMENTS FOR SUBMISSION FOR CNC

The below documents (as applicable) shall be uploaded on TOR at the end of the online application process for the Administration to review:

1. Shipbuilding Contract (or equivalent)

#### Note

The above refers to the contract between the proposed owner and the yard and should contain the following information:

- · the date of such contract;
- the hull number of the vessel;
- the expected date of delivery; and
- the estimated gross tonnage.

- 2. Classification Society Statement (confirming construction has commenced)
- 3. Shipbuilder Letter (confirming that construction has commenced)
- 4. Certificate of Incorporation / Good Standing (registered owner)
- 5. Certificate of Incumbency (registered owner)
- 6. Applicant's Passport or ID
- 7. Power of Attorney to Applicant (if applicable)

# D. APPLYING FOR REGISTRATION AFTER COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION

Upon completion of construction of the vessel, the ship owner / ship builder may choose to apply for registration through TOR by following the steps below:

- 1. Login to TOR
- 2. Search and go to the vessel's record
- 3. Click on the <Registry & Attestation/Exemption Certificates> Tab
- 4. Click on the <Vessel Completion> button
- 5. Select the "Type of Registration" and follow the online registration process

## Note

Ship owners / builders may choose from the following types of registration available:

- 5.1. Normal Registration (refer to Registry Circular RC-1/2012/1)
- 5.2. Single Delivery Voyage (SDV) Registration (refer to Registry Circular RC-2/2012/1)
- 5.3. Bareboat Charter Registration (refer to Registry Circular RC-3/2012/1)