

FJI ISLANDS MARITIME AND SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

Name of approval

Give the official name of approval used with investors

Purpose of approval

Provide a description of what the authorisation provides to investors

Name of agency issuing the approval

Give official title of the body with the authority to grant the approval to investors

Contact information for the agency

Provide the title of the person that is the first contact for the approval, and their contact information: street address, mailing address, telephone fax numbers, and e-mail/website address. If the authority has several different locations, contacts should be identified for each location.

Process that must be followed to obtain the approval

Provide a brief description of the basic steps the investor must follow in order to obtain the approval. This should include identification of other agencies that the responsible authority must consult within processing the application.

Note: Written guidelines and an application form should be provided as separate documents.

Registration Certificate

To confirm ownership and port of registration. Priority of the issuance of coastal trading license is granted to vessels registered under the Marine Act.

Fiji Islands Maritime Safety Administration

The Registrar of Vessels
Amra Street, Walu Bay
P O Box 326
Suva

Tel. (679) 3315266
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Submit application for registration

- i. Appointment for an agent (REG 17)
- ii. Agent completes prescribed forms for registration and submit for processing;
 - a) Application for registration (REG 1A)
 - b) Declaration of ownership (REG 2)
 - c) Application for Name of Vessel (REG 6)
 - d) Application for Tonnage certificate (SUR 1)
 - e) Letter from Customs Dept. with respect to payment of duty
 - f) Deletion Certificate from previous Port of Registry
 - g) Copy of Survey certificate
- iii. Application is processed
- iv. Call Sign is requested to Ministry of Communications
- v. Tonnage certificate paid
- vi. Tonnage certificate prepared
- vii. Registration certificate prepared
- viii. Owner advised to pay for Registration fees
- ix. Registration Certificate is issued

How decisions are made

Briefly explain (a) who has the power to grant the approval, and (b) what criteria are used to approve or reject an application. If there is a lot of information used in the decision-making process it can be included in a separate document.

1. Verification of Ownership of vessel by Qualified person
2. Sighting of deletion certificate
3. Survey certificate validity confirmed
4. Payment of certificate

processing time of the Approval

Identify how long in days or weeks it takes from the point of submission of an application by the investor until a decision is made. This should be the average processing time. The authority should avoid stating a processing time they know cannot currently be met.

Unless conditions are met, within one week of receiving application.

Cost of the approval

Identify the official cost(s) the investor is required to pay the agency in order to obtain the approval.

Registration fee;
Rate @ \$1.00 per gross ton, minimum of \$140.63 (VIP)

Tonnage fee;
\$4.00 per length and balance paid after calculation of tonnage:
<50 GT - \$7.80 per ton
50 - <100 GT - \$390.00 + \$5.30 per ton in excess of 50GT
100-<200GT - \$650.00 + \$3.90 per ton in excess of 100GT
200-<500GT - \$1105.00 + \$2.60 per ton in excess of 200GT
500 - <1000GT - \$1185.00 + \$1.30 per ton in excess of 500GT
1000 - <2000GT - \$2535.00 + 0.65 per ton in excess of 1000GT
2000GT or more - \$3185.00 + 0.26 per ton in excess of 2000GT