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## **INFORMATION BULLETIN No. 152**

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### **BMA Publications**

#### **Guidance and Instructions for Bahamas Recognised Organisations, Bahamas Authorised Representatives, Yacht Owners, Managers and Masters**

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#### **1. Purpose**

- 1.1. This Bulletin provides details of publications available to order from the Bahamas Maritime Authority (BMA).
- 1.2. Stocks of publications are held at each of the BMA's offices in Nassau, New York, London, Piraeus and Hong Kong.

#### **2. Introduction**

- 2.1. A number of record books and publications are required on board Bahamian ships, in accordance with the Merchant Shipping Act and associated regulations and relevant international Convention and Code requirements.
- 2.2. In order to fulfil its obligations in this regard, a number of record books and publications are available from the BMA.
- 2.3. In addition, other record books and publications have also been made available by the BMA in response to shipowner requests.
- 2.4. Also, noting shipowner feedback that it is sometimes difficult to obtain the correct Bahamas merchant flag, these are also now available to purchase from the BMA

### **3. Available publications**

3.1. Registration forms, application forms and reporting forms are available to download from the BMA website: <http://www.bahamasmaritime.com>

3.2. The following documents are supplied by the BMA upon first registration of the ship:

- Crew Agreement
- List of Crew and Signatures of Seaman
- Return of Births and Deaths (RBD-1)
- Account of Property of a Deceased Seaman (PDS-1)
- Merchant Shipping Provisions and Water Regs.
- Casualty Report Form (CRF-1)
- Certificate of Discharge
- Report of Conduct Certificate
- Oil Record Book (Part I – All Ships)
- Oil Record Book (Part II – Oil Tankers)
- Cargo Record Book (NLS Carrier)
- Garbage Record Book
- MARPOL Annex VI Record Book
- Ballast Water Record Book
- GMDSS Radio Log Book
- Official Log Book (Part I)
- Official Log Book (Part II - Passenger Ships)
- Complete Merchant Shipping Legislation (2001)

3.3. The above documents may be re-ordered directly from the BMA publications section ([publications@bahamasmaritime.com](mailto:publications@bahamasmaritime.com)). A publications order form is available to download by clicking [HERE](#).

3.4. Bahamas merchant flags are now available to purchase from the BMA publications section using the publications order form.

### **4. Charges for publications**

4.1. The revised scale of charges for publications is as stated on the publications order form, which is available to download by clicking [HERE](#).

### **5. Revision History**

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