



States of Guernsey

REGISTER OF BRITISH SHIPS (SMALL SHIPS REGISTER)

APPLICATION FOR FIRST REGISTRATION OR RE-REGISTRATION

Please read the attached guidance notes and refer to them when completing this form.

PLEASE USE CAPITAL LETTERS AND TICK BOXES AS APPROPRIATE

For official use only	
Date of receipt	_____
Cheque/ Receipt No.	_____
SSR Number:	_____
Date of issue	_____
Date of expiry	_____

DETAILS OF SHIP

1. Name of Ship _____ **SEE NOTE 7**
(Please note that ships bearing undesirable names will not be allowed onto the register)

2. Description Sailing Cruiser Motor Cruiser Sailing Dinghy
 Motor Sailer Inflatable Power Boat Dutch Barge **SEE NOTE 9**
 Motor Dinghy Rigid Inflatable Jet Ski Other (Please specify fully in the space below)

3. Class name or make (if known): _____

4. Overall length in metres to the nearest centimetre **SEE NOTE 8**
 (Please write length in words) _____ metres _____ centimetres

5. Number of Hulls 5(a) Hull Identification No. (HIN)

6. Local Registration Number

7. Is or has the ship ever been registered under Part 1 of the Register of British Ships ?
 YES NO If yes, what is/ was its official number ? **SEE NOTE 5**

8. Has the ship ever been registered on the Small Ships Register ?
 YES NO **SEE NOTE 5**

If NO please proceed to question 11 (page 2)

9. Please State the SSR number and date of expiry of the Certificate of Registration:
 (The number should be permanently marked or affixed to the ship).
 SSR _____ Date of Expiry (if known) _____

10. Are you the owner recorded on the Certificate of Registry ? YES NO
 If NO, when did you acquire the ship ? Date _____

DETAILS OF OWNERSHIP

11. Total number of current owners:

Please enter the name and address where ordinarily resident and the nationality of every present owner (not previous). The person signing this form should appear first. It is this person to whom all correspondence in connection with Small Ships Registration will be sent. For more than two owners, please provide the details on a separate sheet for questions 12 and 13.

12. Surname _____
Forenames _____
Title Mr Mrs Miss
Other (please state) _____
Address _____

Postcode _____
Daytime Telephone No. _____

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Title Mr Mrs Miss
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Address _____

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13. Nationality _____

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DECLARATION

(If the ship is jointly owned, the person whose details appear first in the ownership section should sign the declaration.)

I APPLY FOR REGISTRATION OF MY VESSEL (name)..... UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE MERCHANT SHIPPING (SMALL SHIPS REGISTRATION) (GUERNSEY) REGULATIONS 1984. I UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS AN OFFENCE KNOWINGLY OR RECKLESSLY TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN REGISTRATION AND HEREBY DECLARE THAT, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, THE DETAILS GIVEN IN THIS APPLICATION FORM ARE CORRECT.

Signed _____ **Date** _____

Name (CAPITAL LETTERS) _____

Statement of Length (Required only where the overall length **exceeds 24 metres** – see 2nd paragraph of note 8).
I CERTIFY THAT THE SHIP DESCRIBED IN THIS APPLICATION IS LESS THAN 24 METRES IN LENGTH WHEN MEASURED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FORMULA CONTAINED IN THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION TONNAGE MEASUREMENT OF SHIPS 1969 AND GIVEN EFFECT IN THE BAILIWICK OF GUERNSEY BY THE MERCHANT SHIPPING (TONNAGE) REGULATIONS 1988 (Si 1988/No 35)
Signed _____ **Date** _____
Name (CAPITAL LETTERS) _____
Qualification of Surveyor _____

Please send this completed form, together with the £10 registration fee and any enclosure needed to:

**The Registry of British Ships
 P.O. Box 631, St Julian's Emplacement
 St Peter Port, Guernsey
 GY1 3DL**

Tel: 01481 705822 / 720229
 Fax: 01481 705824 / 714177
 E-Mail <shipsregistry@gov.gg>

Cheques and Postal Orders should be made payable to the **States of Guernsey.** **PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH BY POST**



States of Guernsey Registry of British Ships (Small Ships Register)

Guidance notes for applicants

1. What is the Small Ships Register ?

The Small Ships Register (SSR) provides a cheap and simple alternative to full registration under the Merchant Shipping Act. The certificate of registry provided will give evidence of the British nationality of the ship when it is taken abroad.

A Small Ships Registration Certificate may not be accepted in some foreign ports if you are using your ship for 'commercial purposes' e.g. diving or chartering. The register does not enable ownership of a ship to be established nor can marine mortgages be recorded.

2. What is a small ship ?

A small ship is one which is less than 24 metres (78.7 feet) in overall length)

The following ships cannot be registered on the SSR:

- those owned by a companies or organisations such as clubs and associations
- those over 24 metres in length
- fishing or submersible vessels

3. Who may register a small ship ?

A small ship may be registered if it is owned by one or more of the following persons who are ordinarily resident in the Bailiwick of Guernsey:

- (a) British Citizens
- (b) British Dependant Territories citizens; British Overseas citizens; persons who under the British Nationality Act 1961 are British subjects; persons who under the Hong Kong (British Nationality) Order are British Nationals Overseas, and
- (c) Commonwealth citizens not falling within the above paragraphs.

If you are in any doubt about your own citizenship or that of any other owner of the ship please obtain advice from: *The States of Guernsey Immigration and Nationality Department, White Rock, St Peter Port, Guernsey*

4. What does 'ordinarily resident' mean ?

For the purposes of registering a ship it means living and sleeping in the Bailiwick for a significant part of the year. A person may be considered to be ordinarily resident if they live for a period of, or periods which collectively amount to 185 days or more in a twelve month period. If you are resident in the Bailiwick for tax purposes, you will generally be regarded as resident for the purpose of registration.

5. Can my ship be registered on Part 1 (Full Register) and the SSR ?

Ships cannot be on more than one part of the Register at any one time. If you have full British registration it is to your advantage to keep your ship registered on that Part rather than transfer it to the SSR. If you wish to transfer from one Part of the Register to another, it will be necessary to close the ship's current registration before the transfer can be made

If the ship is registered on the full register at a port in the United Kingdom or the Channel Islands you may apply to register under the SSR. However, if there is recorded a mortgage or sale affecting the ship or a share in the ship the Part 1 registry will not be closed and the application will not be proceeded with. Where the applicant's name and the name of the owner on the Part 1 register differ, the applicant will have to provide a statement of entitlement signed by the present beneficial owner(s), and satisfactory evidence (e.g. bills of sale or a receipted invoice) of ownership.

6. How long does SSR registration last ?

Registration on the SSR lasts for five years from the date of issue of the Certificate of Registry and can be renewed during the period six months prior to the date of expiry, provided no changes have occurred in the details included on the Certificate of Registry, in which case it will terminate immediately. The registration number can be retained provided application is made within three months of the expiry or termination.

The application form should be used only for the first registration of a ship and for the re-registration of a ship whose registry on the SSR has terminated or expired. A separate form for renewing the registration of a ship is available from the Guernsey registrar.

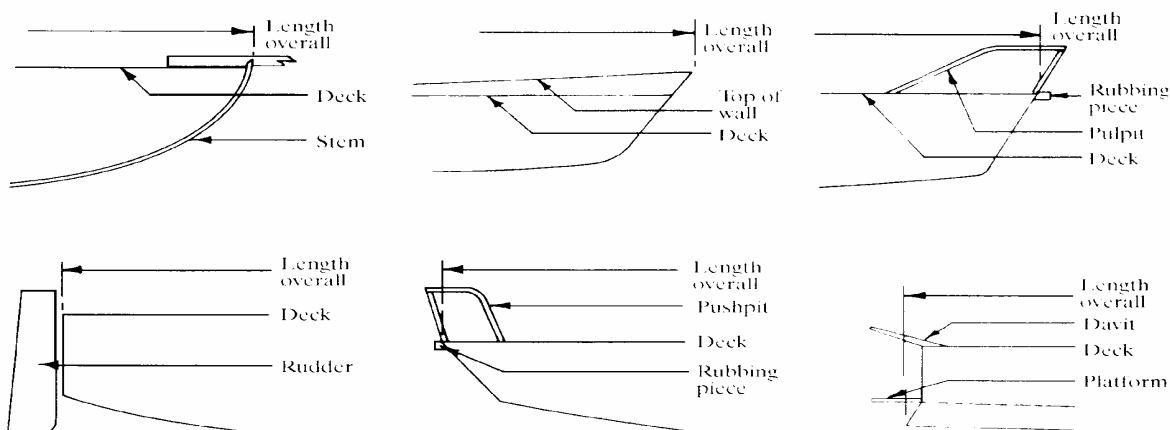
7. Ship Names

Ships will not be registered if they have undesirable or offensive names or which might cause confusion; e.g. if prefixed by FV or HMS. Names such as 'SOS', 'MAYDAY' or 'LIFEBOAT' will not be allowed. Ships must have a name before they can be registered.

8. Measuring the Ship

In most cases the owners may measure the overall length of the ship themselves (see application form question 4). 'Overall length' is the distance between the foreside of the foremost fixed permanent structure and the aftside of the aftermost fixed permanent structure of the ship. The diagrams below show between which points on most ships the measurement should be made. On multihulled craft the longest hull should be measured. If in difficulty, or for advice on measuring craft of a novel design please contact the Guernsey Registrar.

Where the ship is found to be 24 metres or a little more in length, it may still qualify. In this case you must have the statement of length at the end of the application form signed by a qualified surveyor stating that the ship is less than 24 metres in length when measured in accordance with the formula contained in the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of ships, 1969.



9. Definitions

- Sailing Cruiser - boat primarily propelled by sail (larger than a dinghy) with fixed keel or cabin
- Motor Cruiser - large boat largely propelled with an engine, either steam or internal combustion, including cabin cruisers
- Sailing Dinghy - all types of dinghy propelled by sail without a fixed keel or cabin
- Motor Sailer - boat propelled by engine or sail with a keel and cabin
- Inflatable - non rigid inflatable boats
- Power Boat - including speedboats, powerboats and high speed launches
- Dutch Barge - all types of traditional barge, but excluding narrow boats
- Motor Dinghy - all types of rigid dinghy propelled by internal combustion engine
- Rigid Inflatable - all types of rigid inflatable boats (RIB)
- Jet Ski - including jet skis, wet bikes etc.
- Other - any other vessel type which does not easily fit into any of the above types

10. Offences and Obligations

Any person who makes an application containing a statement which they know to be false or reckless, or any person who, with intent to deceive, uses or lends to or allows to be used by another, a terminated certificate of registration, or any person who fails to ensure that the requirement of ship's marking is met, or any person who fails to surrender a certificate of registration when required by the Regulations shall be guilty of an offence. In addition where it appears that there is any doubt as to the right of any ship registered or seeking registration to be registered, the owner may be required to give additional evidence.

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