

**VOLUNTARY REGISTRATION** OF VESSELS (less than 15 metres)  
in the NORWEGIAN SHIP REGISTER  
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DOCUMENTATION – common to all new registrations:

- Notification form for NOR, KR-0012
- Declaration of nationality, KR-0001-KR0007
- Ship's identification certificate  
Issued by the Maritime Directorate
- Title document(s), ie Bill of Sale, Builder's Certificate, etc  
If the Bill of Sale/Builder's Certificate is issued in Norway by a Norwegian company/ person:  
The Vendor is to sign the document with his/her binding signature.  
The signatures must be certified by two persons who are of age and resident in Norway, or by an attorney/assistant attorney, state-authorized/registered public accountant or notary public.  
Example:  
"I/we, who am/are of age and resident in Norway, confirm that the signatory/signatories to this document who is/are over the age of 18, has/have signed or acknowledged his/her/their signature(s) on this document in my/our presence."  
If the Bill of Sale/Builder's Certificate issued overseas  
it must be certified by a Notary Public and then legalized/endorsed with an Apostille.  
On the Bill of Sale/Builder's Certificate, the Notary Public shall confirm:  
The identity of the person issuing the document and that that person is over the age of 18  
If the signature is given on behalf of a foreign company or organisation:  
That the person is authorized to sign on behalf of the company  
A Norwegian Foreign Service Mission must certify the signature of the Notary Public.  
If the country is a signatory to the Hague Convention of 1961, the document may be certified by an "Apostille" that replaces the legalization of the Norwegian Foreign Service Mission.
- Certificate of deletion/non-registration certificate from earlier register  
The Certificate of Deletion must contain information concerning the owner at the time of deletion, and confirm that the vessel is free of encumbrances.  
If the vessel has not been registered earlier, a "Certificate of Non-Registration" must be issued by the Registry in question.  
The certificate must be legalized/endorsed with an Apostille.

**IN THE EVENT OF NEW REGISTRATION OF A VESSEL NOT PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED,**  
The whole succession of titles back to the yard is to be documented (in the form of original title documents).

**WHEN TRANSFERRING FROM THE SHIP REGISTER OF ANOTHER COUNTRY,**  
The succession of titles back to the last registered owner in the former registered are to be documented.

#### ALTERNATIVELY

Registration title may be acquired pursuant to S. 36 of the Maritime Act:

The person, legal or otherwise, exercising ownership rights must state in writing that he/she is the owner.

Title of possession is to be documented for the previous ten years, or it must be rendered probably that the owner alone or together with his title guarantor has been the owner for at least 10 years. If the conditions are present, the registrar is to publish a request to possible owners to report their claim within one month.

The party reporting the vessel for registration will be charged with the expense of publishing such notification, cp. § 29 of the NOR regulations.

#### ALTERNATIVE SUPPLEMENTARY DOCUMENTATION

- If the vessel is a fishing vessel:  
Certified copy of the Registration Certificate if the vessel is a fishing vessel, or a declaration from the Directorate of Fisheries stating that registration of the vessel is not mandatory

#### WHEN REGISTERING NEWBUILDINGS:

- DELIVERY IN NORWAY:  
Construction Certificate/Builder's Certificate  
Signatures to be confirmed – see under "Bill of Sale/Builder's Certificate issued in Norway"  
Protocol of Delivery and Acceptance  
Signed by the yard and the party placing the order with statement of the delivery date
- DELIVERY OVERSEAS:  
Builder's Certificate  
Signatures to be confirmed – see under "Bill of Sale/Builder's Certificate issued overseas."  
Protocol of Delivery and Acceptance  
signed by yard and party placing the order.
- IF THE VESSEL IS BEING REGISTERED PURSUANT TO S. 14, FINAL SUBSECTION OF THE MARITIME ACT  
(ie registration before the vessel is physically handed over), a certificate confirming that the ship will be delivered is to be attached. The date for delivery must be specified and must be within one week of the application

#### REGISTRATION OF INSTALLATIONS NOT CONSIDERED TO BE SHIPS

Cp. S. 33 no. 2 of the Norwegian Maritime Act, before registration can take place, an administrative decision must be obtained from the Maritime Directorate to the effect that the installation may be registered. Sea farming installations cannot be registered, cp. regulations issued by the Maritime Directorate on 26 April 1994.

#### VESSELS OF LESS THAN 7 METRES' LENGTH

May be registered if the vessel is to be used primarily for commercial purposes  
The Owner must then submit a written declaration to this effect

PLEASE CONTACT US and we will help guide you through the registration process

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