

Fact sheet 1

International relocation voyages from New Zealand

This is one of six fact sheets for operators of ships less than 500 gross tonnage and less than 45 metres in length that propose to undertake an international, non-commercial relocation voyage. Each sheet is specific to “your plan”. If your situation doesn’t fit any of the scenarios, you need to talk to your surveyor and MNZ.

If you

- plan to take your ship overseas to pursue a business opportunity there
- hold an MTOC and the ship is on the New Zealand Register of Ships. It’s assigned **unlimited** operating limits

..then you must

- modify your operator plan and procedures as appropriate for the voyage
- ensure safety, communications and emergency equipment is fit for the voyage
- complete an application form for a Certificate for International Voyage and attach all relevant documents (Certificate of Survey and voyage plan)
- pay to MNZ the applicable fee for the Certificate for International Voyage.

What MNZ will do

- grant a Certificate for International Voyage where complete information is provided on the form and all required documents attached. The certificate may be granted for up to 5 years (or the remaining life of the Certificate of Survey).

Ballast water management

If your ship carries non-permanent ballast water, you must undergo a certification process for international voyages.

To avoid any delay in receiving your Certificate for International Voyage and your related ballast water documentation, Maritime NZ recommends you begin the process of applying for ballast water certification as soon as possible.

More information about ballast water management can be found at www.maritimenz.govt.nz/ballast

Maritime Labour Convention

Ships, other than fishing ships, on international voyages may be inspected by port state control officers in overseas ports for compliance with the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006. Ships less than 500 gross tonnage must comply with the convention, but they are not required to hold a Maritime Labour Certificate. You may, however, wish to voluntarily obtain certification as evidence of compliance, otherwise your vessel may be subject to more detailed inspection against the convention standards.

More information about applying for a Maritime Labour Certificate can be found at www.maritimenz.govt.nz/commercial/ships/

Resources and further information on www.maritime.govt.nz

The application form for a Certificate for International Voyage contains headings and fields that will help you to prepare for the relocation voyage.

The form (which can be completed on line and then emailed to MNZ) is available at:

<https://www.maritimenz.govt.nz/Publications-and-forms/Commercial-operations/Surveyors/International-voyage-form.pdf>

MNZ fees

Information on current fees is available at:

http://www.maritimenz.govt.nz/About-us/Fees-levies/#current_fees

Maritime New Zealand offices

Contacts for your nearest Maritime NZ office are at maritimenz.govt.nz/offices

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