

Merchant Marine Circular

Panama Maritime Authority
General Directorate of Merchant Marine
Control and Compliance Department

MERCHANT MARINE CIRCULAR MMC-377

- To:** Master, Ship-owners, Operators, Company Security Officers, Ship Security Officer, Legal Representatives of Panama Flagged Vessels, Recognized Security Organizations (RSO) of Panama Flagged Vessel.
- Subject:** Bareboat Charter insert in the Continuous Synopsis Record (CSR).
- Reference:** Law No. 57 of August 6, 2008.
Resolution 106-14-DGMM of March 9, 2012.
Resolution JD No. 048-2020 of May 14, 2020.
Resolution No.106-002-DGMM dated on January 21, 2022
MMC-183 Continuous Synopsis Record (CSR) online application.
MMC-368 Technical E-Certificates onboard.

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1. The purpose of this Merchant Marine Circular is to communicate all the owners, operators and Legal Representatives to apply according to Merchant Marine Circular MMC-183 for the Continuous Synopsis Record (CSR) when immediately the vessel has registered and cancel in any of the Bareboat Charter modalities established by the Panama Merchant Marine, in order to maintain the correct sequence number and update the CSR in order to avoid any inconvenience with maritime authorities.
 2. All the information submitted on the following website link <http://certificates.amp.gob.pa/certificates>, should be completely accurate in order to avoid mistakes on the information transferred to the CSR Certificate. In case that one or more items do not apply or are not available, the same must be marked with "NC" (NO CHANGE) or "NA" (DOES NOT APPLY), except for point 1, 2 and 3 which are filled automatically, during the submission of information.
 3. **REGISTRATION OF FOREIGN SHIPS UNDER BAREBOAT CHARTER IN PANAMA (CHARTER IN):**
 - 3.1. According to Law No. 57 2008, article 70 any vessel operating pursuant to a bareboat charter-party registered at a foreign registry may be registered in the Merchant Marine without leaving the foreign registry; this is permitted under the legislation of the country of registration. In this case, the interested party shall submit and apply for the Continuous Synopsis Record (CSR) through...



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the E-SEGUMAR Platform and submit the documents described in MMC-183 and the following document:

- a) The last CSR issued by the first or last registry.
4. Vessels registered in the mentioned bareboat charter register shall be issued with a certificate of registration by the General Directorate of Merchant Marine as evidence of their registration in the Merchant Marine, which shall contain the vessel's particulars as specified by the General Directorate of the Merchant Marine. In addition, this Directorate shall issue a Navigation Chartered Vessels (Navigation Patent) and a Radio License due to the bareboat charter (Law No. 57 of August 6, 2008, article 72).
5. For this case, the Panama Maritime Authority will indicate the period of the Bareboat Charter, as it appears in the Navigation Chartered Vessels, in the **Remarks** section of the CSR, in order to maintain the sequential and chronological information about the vessel.
6. **REGISTRATION OF PANAMA FLAG VESSELS UNDER FOREIGN BAREBOAT CHARTER (CHARTER OUT):**
 - 6.1 According to Law No. 57 of August 6, 2008, article 80 vessels registered in Panama engaged in foreign trade operating pursuant to a bareboat charter-party may be temporarily registered in a foreign special bareboat charter register with the prior consent of the General Directorate of Merchant Marine, and without having to terminate its Panamanian registration. In this case, the interested party must apply for the Continuous Synopsis Record (CSR) after Ship Registry Department have issued a consent letter.
7. Those ships that at the date of their registration with Panama are unaware of the certain date of the beginning of the bareboat charter must provide prior to the CSR issuance, an approximate date for the beginning and termination of the charter contract, in order to make the respective entry in the **Remark** section.
8. For this case, the Panama Maritime Authority will indicate the period of the Bareboat Charter, as it appears in the Consent from the Directorate of Merchant Marine, in the **Remarks** section of the CSR in order to maintain the sequential and chronological information about the vessel.



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9. REGISTRATION OF THE BAREBOAT CHARTER WITHOUT CHANGE OF PANAMA FLAG (PANAMA-PANAMA).

9.1. According to Resolution No.106-002-DGMM dated on January 21, 2022 ([English version](#)) ([Spanish version](#)) in case of ships registered in Panama under international or domestic service that are subject to bareboat charter contracts (Panama-Panama), the charterer may choose to:

9.1.1. Register the ship in the Special Bareboat Charter Registry, which implies the issuance of Navigation Chartered vessels and radio license or,

9.1.2. Register a copy of the charter contract in the Ship Registry Department.

9.1.3. Both procedures are prerequisites for any annotation in point 5 of the CSR.

10. For both cases, the Panama Maritime Authority will indicate the period of the Bareboat Charter, as it appears in the Navigation Chartered Vessels, in the Remarks section of the CSR in order to maintain the sequential and chronological information about the vessel.

11. In both cases, the Ship Registry Department will perform the relevant verifications duly registered or documented.

For further assistance, please note below the contact points.

March, 2022 - New reference – Resolution No.106-002-DGMM of January 21, 2022, modification of paragraph # 6, 9, 12 and 10 delete

January, 2021 – New reference - Resolution JD No. 048-2020 of May 14, 2020.

December, 2020 – Modification of paragraph # 4, 9.1. and 10 and change of PMA phone numbers and email.

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Inquiries concerning the subject of this Merchant Marine Circular or any other request should be forward to:

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