1. **Bareboat Charter Registry In A Foreign State.**

    a. An application for permission to obtain foreign bare boat charter registry shall be submitted to the Registrar of Ships and the bareboat charter registration, under the flag of a foreign state, of a vessel registered in Pakistan shall be allowed submitting and application for permission to obtain foreign state, of a vessel registered in Pakistan shall be allowed submitting an application for permission to obtain foreign bare boat charter Registry, shall be submitted to the Registrar of Shipping (No application form is required) containing.

        i. The name and official number of vessel.

        ii. The name, address, fax and telephone numbers of the bareboat chartterer;

        iii. The vessels intended service, the nature of the cargo and geographical regions in which it will navigate; and

        iv. The dates contemplated for commencement of the charter party and for its earliest termination.

    b. If the vessel is already subject to one or more mortgages, the written consent of each mortgage to the proposed foreign bareboat charter registration, usually in the form of a letter, shall presented.

    c. The owner shall produce and undertaking containing the following namely: -

        i. To deposit the existing certificate of Pakistan registry to the Registrar of Ships within thirty days of the issuance of certificate of permission for foreign bareboat charter registration or within thirty days of the date of commencement of the charter party, whichever is earlier;

        ii. To notify the Registrar, immediately whenever the charter party has terminated for whatsoever reason, or when the owner has otherwise retaken the possession of the vessel.

        iii. The Registrar shall have evidence in his possession that both the owner and bareboat chartterer are aware that the Pakistan's jurisdiction over the vessel has been withdrawn during the period of foreign bareboat charter registration and that as soon as the period ends, the safety equipment standards required under Pakistani law, in accordance with applicable International Conventions and agreements to which Pakistan is a party, shall be immediately and fully implemented and observed by the owner.

        iv. The agreement between the owner and bareboat chartterer shall contain the following namely: -

1. During the period of foreign bareboat charter registration, the owner and bareboat chartterer shall neither permit the vessel to fly the flag of Pakistan now show Karachi as her home port while the vessel remains in the service of the bareboat chartterer under the charter party and that the owner and bareboat chartterer shall acknowledge and agree that the vessel shall immediately revert to the jurisdiction and control of Pakistan when the charter party is terminated or expires, or possession and control of the vessel is retaken by the owner; and

2. At all times pending the vessel's return to Pakistan flag it shall be equipped, maintained and navigated to standards which shall not be less than those laid down in the Maritime Law, Pakistani rules & regulations including the relevant International Conventions to which Pakistan is a party.

d. The charter party having foreign bareboat charter registration shall submit the following namely: -

   i. The charter party and any amendments thereto, shall be accompanied by proof of due execution which is a statement that charter party was signed in accordance with the laws of the country or state in which it was signed and the signature, name and title of the notary public or other official shall be legible.

   ii. A copy of the bareboat charter party acknowledged or with proof of due execution, together with all annexure or addenda thereto and any bareboat sub-charter parties, with English translation if in any other language, shall be filed with Registrar of Ships.

e. The certificate of Pakistan Registry shall be retained in the custody of Registrar of Ships during the period of foreign bareboat charter registration together with the mobile radio station license. Subsequent amendments or addenda to the bareboat charter party, with an English translation, if they are in any other language, shall also be filled together with a letter noting which parts, if any, have been altered, together with consent(s) thereto by the mortgages(s) of the vessel.

f. A certificate of permission for foreign bareboat charter registration shall be issued when all requirements this rule shall have been satisfied.

2. **Certificate Of Registry After Termination Of Bareboat Charter.**

    a. Upon termination of bareboat charter or when the vessel's owner retakes possession, the following documents shall be submitted to the Registrar of Ships, namely: -

        i. A letter of application to restore certificate of registry together with the prescribed fee;

        ii. An affidavit of the owner acknowledged in accordance with rule-7 advising that the bareboat charter has been terminated or that the owner is in possession and control of the vessel; and

        iii. Evidence of satisfactory completion of the following;

            1. Change of flag survey by the classification society, and

            2. Safety inspection of the vessel conducted by the surveyor of the Mercantile Marine Department, under instructions of the Principal Officer, shall also be produced.

    b. Upon receipt of the foregoing, the original certificate of registry shall be restored.

3. **Tonnage of Ships.**

    a. All vessels shall have their tonnages determined in accordance with the provisions of the Merchant Shipping (Tonnage) Rules, 2002 giving effect to the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969 (TM-69). A tonnage certificate may be issued by the Mercantile Marine Department or any of the classification societies authorized by the Government of Pakistan.

    b. A TM 69 Certificate issued by the Government of a contracting state to TM 69 may be accepted for registration. Provided that an undertaking is given by the owner that no alteration or modification has been carried out after issuance of TM 69 Certificate. The vessel must have a tonnage certificate re-issued by the Mercantile Marine Department or one of the classification societies authorized by the Government of Pakistan.

    c. The tonnage of Pakistani Ship may not be re-determined except in accordance with the provision of regulation mentioned above, if the intention is to convert or modify the vessel after registration, before it is put into service.

4. **Marking of ships:**

    a. Every Pakistani ship shall, before registry, be marked permanently and conspicuously to the satisfaction of the Registrar as follows, -

        i. Its name shall be marked on each of its bows, and its name and the name of its port of registry shall be marked on its stern, on a dark ground in white or yellow letters, or on a light ground in black letters, such letters to be of length not less than hundred and fifty mille-meters and of proportionate breadth;

        ii. Its official number and the number denoting its registered tonnage shall be cut in on its main beam; and

        iii. A scale in meters denoting its draught of water shall be marked on each side of its stern and of the stern post in Roman capital letters or in figures, not less than hundred & fifty millimeters in length, the lower of such letters or figures to coincide with the draught line denoted thereby and those letters and figures shall be marked by being cut in and painted white or yellow on a dark ground, or in such other way as the Federal Government may approve.

    b. The Federal Government may exempt any class of ships from all or any of the requirements of this rule.

    c. If the scale of meters showing the ship's draught of water is in any respect inaccurate so as to be likely to mislead, the owner of the ship shall be liable to a fine not exceeding Rupees Two Hundred Thousands.

    d. The marks required by this section shall be permanently continued and no alteration shall be made therein except in the event of any of the particulars thereby denoted being altered in the manner provided by the ordinance or rules made there under.

    e. If an owner or master of a Pakistani ship neglects to cause his or her ship to be marked as required by the section, or to keep her so marked, or if any person conceals, removes, alters, defaces, or obliterates or suffers any person under his or her control to conceal, marks, except in the event aforesaid, or except for the purpose of escaping capture by any enemy, that owner master, or person shall for each such offence, be liable to fine not exceeding Rupees Two Hundred Thousands and on a certificate from a surveyor under the ordinance and rules, that a ship is insufficiently or inaccurately marked the ship may be detained until the insufficiency or inaccuracy has been remedied.

5. **Closure of Registry. -**

    a. Deletion or closure of registry of a vessel from Pakistan registry shall be made for one of the following reason namely: -

        i. Sale of vessel for trading;

        ii. Sale of a vessel for scrap;

        iii. Loss of vessel;

        iv. Auction of vessel by the Court;

        v. Where the owner or chartterer of a bareboat chartered vessel requires so.

    b. Registrar of ships of the Mercantile Marine Department under Directorate General of Ports and Shipping, Ministry of Ports and Shipping is solely responsible for deleting a ship from Pakistan registry. He shall require the following documents or proofs prior to deletion of a vessel from Pakistan registry, namely: -

        i. When a vessel is being sold for trading, a no objection certificate from Ministry of Ports and Shipping to ascertain any claims or liabilities on the vessel;

        ii. When a vessel is being sold for scrap in Pakistan a no objection certificate from the Customs authorities in Pakistan;

        iii. When a vessel is lost for any reason, a credible proof of such loss such as insurance company's certification, etc.

        iv. When a vessel is sold through auction by the Court, proof of auction i.e. certified copy of Court orders. In case the auction has been done in another country, the certified copy of court order shall be attested by the respective Pakistani Counsel.

        v. When and owner or chartterer of a bareboat chartered vessel requires such deletion, a request form the owner and chartterer shall be the only document required. In case there is a difference of opinion between the chartterer and the owner, the owner's request shall be accepted to; and

        vi. Surrender of following original vessel documents namely: -

            1. The current certificate of registry;

            2. The Pakistan Mobile Radio Station License; and

3. Two copies of bill of sale and transferring title to the purchaser, where a change of ownership has occurred.

c. After completion of the formalities under the rules to the satisfaction of Registrar and the ship being free from all encumbrances, the vessel be deleted form the register and a deletion certificate willbe issued.

6. **Entry of Record and Discharge of Mortgage.**

a. A ship or share when made a security for a loan or other valuable consideration upon production of instrument creating the security such as a mortgage, the Registrar, shall record it in the register. The instrument creating security shall have a summary attached in the prescribed from to be recorded by the Registrar.

b. Mortgages shall be recorded by the Registrar in order of time in which they are produced before him for that purpose, and the Registrar shall by a memorandum on his own hand notify on each mortgage that it has been recorded by him stating the day and hour of that record.

c. When a registered mortgage is discharged, the registrar shall, on the production of the mortgage deed with receipt for the mortgage money endorsed thereon duly signed and attested, make an entry in the register book to the effect that mortgage has been discharged.