

GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN MINISTRY OF MARITIME AFFAIRS MERCANTILE MARINE DEPARTMENT



Principal Officer

No. 485 493 Of 2021-2022 Karachi, the 20th September 2021

To,

All Owners of Fishing Vessel

Please to intimate you that the Federal government has approved long-awaited Fishing vessel registration and inspection rules which may please be download from the official website www.dgps.gov.pk. These rules have been made under the power conferred by section 449 of Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 2001 (LII of 2001), these rules are applied to sea-going fishing vessels propelled by machinery.

After the promulgation of MSO-2001, the Coastal Vessel Act 1838, (XIX of 1838) was repealed under the provision of section 610 of MSO 2001 but it was continued because of saving till the rules under Chapter 32 of MSO 2001 are not made. Now the Federal Government has made new rules therefore registration under the repealed act is being stopped with immediate effect. All new boats proceeding to sea shall be registered under the new rules therefore all concerned parties are advised to apply new requirements.

The owners of existing boats registered under the Coastal Vessel Act 1838, 1838 (XIX of 1838) are advised to apply as per the requirement of Rule 3 (3) of S.R.O. 1057(I)/2021 for the replacement of the registry within 90 days of the issuance of this letter. After that period all certificates issued under the Coastal Vessel Act 1838, 1838 (XIX of 1838) shall be considered cancelled.

The fishing vessel not intends to proceed to sea and shall remain within the inland waters of rivers or estuaries may get registered under the respective provincial law.

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- *MOMA Islamabad
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