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MARINE NOTICE 146.2

To: SHIPOWNERS, MANAGERS, MASTERS, DEPUTY REGISTRARS AND RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS

Subject: ATHENS CONVENTION CERTIFICATE RELATING TO THE CARRIAGE OF PASSENGERS AND THEIR LUGGAGE BY SEA, 2002

1. Reference
 - 1.1 Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea, 1974 and the Protocol of 2002
 - 1.2 Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims, 1976, as amended.
2. Objective
 - 2.1 The purpose of this procedure is to outline the requirements and the process for obtaining Athens Convention Certificate Relating to the Carriage of Passengers and Their Luggage by Sea, 2002 by the Palau Ship Registry Administrator in accordance with the provisions of article 4bis (2) "a Certificate attesting that insurance or other financial security is in force in accordance with the provisions of Athens Convention 1974 and 2002 Protocol Article 20 (2)".
3. Application
 - 3.1 This Convention shall apply to any International carriage if:
 - a. the ship is flying the Flag of or is registered in a State Party to this Convention, or
 - b. the Contract of carriage has been made in a State Party to this Convention, or
 - c. the place of departure or destination, according to the Contract of carriage, is in a State Party to this Convention.
 - 3.2 Notwithstanding paragraph 1 of this Article, this Convention shall not apply when the carriage is subject, under any other International Convention concerning the carriage of passengers or luggage by another mode of transport, to a civil liability regime under the provisions of such Convention, in so far as those provisions have mandatory application to carriage by sea.



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4. Definitions

- 4.1 Carrier: means a person by or on behalf of whom a contract of carriage has been concluded, whether the carriage is actually performed by him or by a performing carrier;
- 4.2 Performing carrier means a person other than the carrier, being the owner, charterer or operator of a ship, who actually performs the whole or a part of the carriage;
- 4.3 Contract of carriage means a contract made by or on behalf of a carrier for the carriage by sea of a passenger or of a passenger and his luggage, as the case may be;
- 4.4 Passenger: means any person carried in a ship, under a contract of carriage, or who, with the consent of the carrier, is accompanying a vehicle or live animals which are covered by a Contract for the carriage of goods not governed by this Convention.
- 4.5 Luggage: means any article or vehicle carried by the carrier under a contract of carriage, excluding articles and vehicles carried under a charter party, bill of lading or other contract primarily concerned with the carriage of goods, and live animals.
- 4.6 Cabin luggage: means luggage which the passenger has in his cabin or is otherwise in his possession, custody or control. Except for the application of paragraph 8 of this Article and Article 8, cabin luggage includes luggage which the passenger has in or on his vehicle.
- 4.7 Loss of or damage to luggage includes pecuniary loss resulting from the luggage not having been re-delivered to the passenger within a reasonable time after the arrival of the ship on which the luggage has been or should have been carried, but does not include delays resulting from labor disputes;



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4.8 Carriage covers the following periods:

- a. with regard to the passenger and his cabin luggage, the period during which the passenger and/or his cabin luggage are on board the ship or in the course of embarkation or disembarkation, and the period during which the passenger and his cabin luggage are transported by water from land to the ship or vice-versa, if the cost of such transport is included in the fare or if the vessel used for this purpose of auxiliary transport has been put at the disposal of the passenger by the carrier. However, with regard to the passenger, carriage does not include the period during which he is in a marine terminal or station or on a quay or in or on any other port installation;
- b. with regard to cabin luggage, also the period during which the passenger is in a marine terminal or station or on a quay or in or on any other port installation if that luggage has been taken over by the carrier or his servant or agent and has not been re-delivered to the passenger;
- c. with regard to other luggage, which is not cabin luggage, the period from the time of it taking over by the carrier or his servant or agent on shore or on board until the time of its re-delivery by the carrier or his servant or agent;

4.9 State Party means the countries which have ratified the Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and Their Luggage by Sea (PAL) and the only ones who can issue Athens Convention Certificate for their own ships and ships that belong to non-state parties. The Republic of Palau is a State Member of the Convention.

4.10 Non-State Party means the countries which have not ratified the Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and Their Luggage by Sea (PAL). For ships registered in non-state parties, Athens Convention Certificate may be issued by the appropriate Authority of any state party.

4.11 Blue card: It is a Certificate furnished as evidence of insurance Pursuant to the Athens Convention, 2002. This Liability Insurance or Financial Security cover the liability of the registered owner under this Convention in an amount equal to the limits of liability under the applicable National or International limitation regime.



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5. Requirements

- 5.1.1 [A.003 – Application For Issuance Of Convention Certificates](#)
5.1.2 Blue Card issued from Approved P&I Company¹ and addressed to one of the below Head Offices of Palau International Ship Registry:

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- 5.1.3 Valid Certificate of Registry (*not required for vessels already registered under the Palau Ship Registry Administration*).
5.1.4 Confirmation of payment /acceptance of quote.

6 Approved P&I Clubs

- 6.1 Blue Card provided from a P&I Club which is a member of the International Group of P&I Clubs, is assumed accepted and the insurance is deemed sufficient.
6.2 Blue Card provided from a P&I Club, which is not a member of the International Group of P&I Clubs or is not included in the list of Approved P&I Clubs as stated in website <https://www.palaureg.com/information-centre/approved-suppliers/pi-clubs/> , will be subject to review and approval by this Maritime Administration. A written Application for Verification and Accreditation must be submitted to the Flag Administration.

7. Cancellation of Blue Card

- 7.1 In the event that the Blue Card is cancelled, the client will be informed accordingly. The PAL will have a remark including the Blue Card No. and therefore upon the cancellation of the Blue Card the PAL will become automatically cancelled as well.

¹ List of Approved P&I Clubs is available at the [Palau Ship Registry administrator website](#).



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8. Contact

8.1 For additional information please contact the office of the Palau I Ship Registry Administrator at info@palaureg.com

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