
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Merchant Shipping (Registration
of Ships) Regulations 1993**

PART V

APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE PERSONS

Appointment of representative persons

18.—(1) Where the entitlement of any ship to be registered is conditional upon the appointment of a representative person, the owner of the ship shall:—

- (a) before applying for the ship to be registered, appoint an individual or body corporate satisfying the requirements in paragraph (2) below to be the representative person, and
- (b) ensure that, so long as the ship remains registered, an individual or body corporate satisfying those requirements shall be so appointed.

(2) A representative person is either:—

- (a) an individual resident in the United Kingdom, or
- (b) a body corporate incorporated in a member State and having a place of business in the United Kingdom.

(3) The appointment of the representative person shall be made in a form approved by the Secretary of State and shall contain the name and the address of the representative person.

(4) The owner of any ship in relation to which any representative person is for the time being appointed under this regulation shall:—

- (a) on applying for the ship to be registered, send to the Registrar the appointment required by paragraph (3),
- (b) in the event of any change in the identity, or in the address of the representative person, notify the Registrar of the relevant change within 7 days of the change occurring,

and the Registrar shall record the new particulars in the Register.

Service on representative persons

19. Any document required or authorised to be served by or under the Merchant Shipping Acts or required or authorised, by virtue of any statutory provision, to be served for the purpose of the institution of, or otherwise in connection with, proceedings for an offence under the Merchant Shipping Acts, or under any instrument in force under those Acts, on the owner of a ship shall be treated as duly served on him if:—

- (a) delivered to any representative person for the time being appointed, or
- (b) sent to any such person by post at the address notified (or, as the case may be, last notified) to the Registrar under regulation 18(4) above in relation to that person, or
- (c) left for any such person at that address.