



NIUE SHIP REGISTRY

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INMARSAT SERVICES UNDER POINT OF SERVICE ACTIVATION (PSA) SYSTEM AND RADIO ACCOUNTING AUTHORITIES (Circular NMC4.2012 (rev0))

PURPOSE: This Marine Circular serves to:

- (a) Provide procedures required to activate, deactivate and update information regarding Inmarsat mobile earth stations (MESs) on Niue flagged vessels; and
- (b) Explain the radio message accounting procedures and provides the list of Niue approved Radio Accounting Authorities by their AAIC.

DEFINITIONS:

The following terms and abbreviations stand for:

- “AAIC” – Accounting Authority Identification Code
- “ESAS” – Electronic Service Activation System
- “ITU” – International Telecommunication Union
- “LRIT” – Long Range Identification and Tracking
- “MES” – Mobile Earth Station
- “PSA” – Point of Service Activation
- “Administration” shall mean the Niue Ship Registry

APPLICATION:

This Marine Circular applies to all Niue flagged vessels:

- (a) on which Inmarsat MESs are, or will be, installed; and/or
- (b) are equipped with ship radio stations.

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1. PSA requirements

- 1.1. A PSA is an entity authorized by Inmarsat with the approval of the Administration to accept and process applications for MES service activation, assign Inmarsat Mobile Numbers and transmit customer service activation information to the Inmarsat Customer Activation group. The PSA works directly with the customer on service activation in particular, and Inmarsat systems and services in general.
- 1.2. A PSA shall perform all functions regarding Inmarsat equipment activation, deactivation and maintenance of customer information held in Inmarsat's ESAS for all vessels registered under Niue.
- 1.3. A PSA shall inform this Administration of all additions, deletions and modifications to Niue MESs as quickly as possible with a change of flag.
- 1.4. It is imperative that this procedure be understood and followed by the PSA, shipowner and ship operator so that registration/deregistration of systems may be quickly accomplished for LRIT compliance (refer to Niue Marine Circular NMC3.2015).

1.5. The PSA authorized by this Administration is:

MCS (FE) Pte Ltd (PSA 3306)
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Email: mcs@maritimecomms.com

2. Radio Accounting Authority Requirements

- 2.1. The ITU Convention currently in force provides for Accounting Authorities to settle maritime radiocommunication accounts for ships licensed by the Administration.
- 2.2. Due to the many problems occurring in international radio maritime accounting, no ship is entitled to be registered or to maintain registration under the Niue flag unless the owner shall have entered into a valid contract with an authorized radio service company pursuant to the terms of which the latter assumes the accounting obligation.
- 2.3. It is mandatory that all international maritime radio traffic charges for radiocommunications from ship to shore, both terrestrial and satellite, shall be settled by the approved Accounting Authority which has the legal contract with the owner of the vessel.
- 2.4. The Accounting Authority for the vessel has assumed full responsibility for the payment of the radiocommunication charges and has further given a guaranty to the Government of Niue that no charges will accrue to the account of the Government of Niue and, therefore, ensures that the guaranty remains fully effective. It is imperative that all radio traffic charges be sent to the Accounting Authority only and not to any third party.
- 2.5. ITU-T Recommendation D.90 limits the number of accounting authorities based in other countries that the Administrator may recognize to twenty-five (25). The radio accounting authorities approved by Niue are listed below followed by their ITU AAIC:

2.5.1. PG02
Panama Shipping Consultants Inc.
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