



NIUE SHIP REGISTRY

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INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON CIVIL LIABILITY FOR BUNKER OIL POLLUTION DAMAGE 2001 (BUNKER CONVENTION) (Circular NMC1.2013 (rev3))

PURPOSE: To provide guidance on issuance of BCC (Bunker Convention Certificate) by NSR (Niue Ship Registry) for ships above 1,000 GT (Gross Tonnage).

RELATED DOCUMENTS:

1. International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage 2001 (Bunker Convention)
2. Niue Marine Circular NMC3.2016 – Recognized P&I Clubs

INTRODUCTION:

The Bunker Convention was adopted to ensure adequate, prompt, and effective compensation is available to persons who suffer damage caused by spills of oil, when carried as fuel in ships' bunkers.

Niue is a party to the Bunker Convention and the registered owner of a sea-going vessel or seaborne craft of any type above 1,000 GT, is required to be issued with a BCC attesting that a policy of insurance or other financial security satisfying the requirements of Article 7 of the Bunker Convention is in place.

'Bunker oil' means any hydrocarbon mineral oil, including lubricating oil, used or intended to be used for the operation or propulsion of the ship, and any residues of such oil.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR SUBMISSION FOR APPLICATION OF BCC:

1. Copy of Blue Card (via email at operations@niueship.com or on-line at NERS (Niue Electronic Registration System) issued by the ship's insurer (normally a P&I Club) attesting that the owner/bareboat charterer of the ship is maintaining insurance or other financial security in respect of the ship in an amount that will cover the limits of liability prescribed in the Bunkers Convention.
2. Blue Card should be addressed to :

NIUE SHIP REGISTRY
10 Anson Road,
International Plaza, #25-15
Singapore 079903
3. NSR accepts Blue Cards issued by the International Group of P&I Clubs (IG Group) and some Non-IG Group P&I Clubs. Blue Cards issued by insurers that are not recognized will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Please refer to Niue Marine Circular NMC3.2016 for full list of recognized P&I Clubs.
4. Copy of the vessel Certificate of Registry (only for vessels that are NOT flagged under Niue but would like to apply for BCC from Niue as their flag is not yet a party to the Bunker Convention)

For further assistance to the above, please email operations@niueship.com .