

## **Bahamas** Maritime Authority

## **Yacht Registration**

The Bahamas provides technical & operational excellence for the registration of yachts As a quality registry, The BMA understands the complexity in yacht ownership and can offer a client-focused and highly responsive registration experience.

The Bahamas is therefore expertly placed as a flag of choice for owners and their representatives seeking a quality register.

The BMA provides a straightforward procedure for registration of vessels, including private and charter yachts of 12 metres in length and above and also passenger yachts.

With an international team of experts and our bespoke, tailored yacht codes, developed to meet the growing expectations of owners, managers and Masters of Bahamian yachts you can be assured of expert guidance through the registration process and beyond.



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## Yacht registration in The Bahamas presents a number of benefits to owners and their representatives

- Yachts certified to Red Ensign Group and similar codes accepted
- Rapid response to security, environmental protection, safety, legal, seafarer and registry enquiries
- Bareboat / Dual registration available
- Full support and assistance from concept review / approval through vessel entering service, including yachts with alternative design and arrangements and novel features
- Providing a consistent and collaborative approach whenever and wherever you need it, ensuring that any delays are kept to a minimum
- Protecting your reputation wherever your yacht is operating
- Providing a global network of maritime experts

- Representing your interests as an active IMO member state
- On all PSC White Lists and "Low Risk" flag status in Paris and Tokyo MoU
- US Coast Guard Qualship 21 flag
- Offering an efficient online seafarer documentation process
- Efficient straightforward registration procedures
- Competitive Registration Fees
- Option for private yachts to engage in restricted chartering for up to 84 days per year
- Stable democracy with established legal system based on English law

The Bahamas is the only flag with a dedicated code for small charter yachts. The BMA is a pioneering flag with a Bahamas Passenger Yacht Code (BPYC) to allow yachts to carry more than 12, and up to 36, passengers, meeting the growing demand from yacht owners to be able to carry more guests on board.



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