

Isle of Man Ship Registry Technical Advisory Notice



Garbage Record Books – Ships Under 400gt

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1. Introduction

This notice applies to operators of all ships, including pleasure vessels, that are between 100gt and 399gt and engaged on international voyages. From 1st May 2024, such ships will be required to maintain a Garbage Record Book in accordance with Regulation 10 of MARPOL Annex V.

It should be noted that some vessels within this tonnage range may be already required to maintain a Garbage Record Book if they are certified to carry 15 or more persons and are engaged on international voyages.

It should be noted that the Garbage Record Book is divided into two parts. Part I is applicable to all ships referenced above and Part II is only applicable to ships which carry solid bulk cargoes.

2. Garbage Record Book

The Ship Registry does not produce Garbage Record Books, therefore ships may use any record book that conforms with the format prescribed by IMO (see Appendix II to MARPOL Annex V).

Electronic log books can also be used instead of paper log books, but if doing so these must be approved in accordance with [TAN 008-20](#).

The information to be recorded within the log book is stated in MARPOL Annex V Regulation 10, with further guidance in Appendix II.

Completed record books must be preserved for a period of at least two years from the date of the last entry made in it.

3. Further Reading

MSN 070 – MARPOL Annex V

TAN 008-20 – MARPOL Electronic Log Books

MEPC.295(71) – 2017 Guidelines for the Implementation of MARPOL Annex V

Please note - The Isle of Man Ship Registry cannot give legal advice. Where this document provides guidance on the law it should not be regarded as definitive. The way the law applies to any particular case can vary according to circumstances - for example, from vessel to vessel. You should consider seeking independent legal advice if you are unsure of your own legal position.

