



**FFA**

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

TO: All Fishing Vessel Associations and Companies

CC: FFA Official Contacts  
FFA Fisheries Contacts  
All National Licensing and Surveillance Authorities

**SUBJECT: FFA VESSEL REGISTRATION OF FISHING VESSELS: JULY 2018–JUNE 2019**

I write to advise on the changes to the FFA Vessel Registration requirements effective from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018.

**Vessel Registration Fee**

The new FFA vessel registration fee effective from 01-Jul-2018 is Three Thousand Two Hundred and Three United States dollars (US\$3,203) per vessel. The fee has been raised by the annual increase in the regional index of 2.9% and represents an inflation adjustment over 2017-2018 FFA financial year period.

Please refer below in **Table 1** the applicable vessel registration fee, the FFA levy and Observer fee for different vessel categories during the 2018/2019 FFA financial year.

**Table 1**

	<b>Bunker</b>	<b>Fish Carrier</b>	<b>Longline (F)</b>	<b>Longline (D)</b>	<b>Mothership</b>	<b>Pole &amp; Line</b>	<b>Purse Seine (F)</b>	<b>Purse Seine (D)</b>
Registration Fee	\$ 3,203	\$ 3,203	\$ 3,203	\$ 1,441	\$ 3,203	\$ 3,203	\$ 3,203	\$ 1,441
FFA Levy	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 100	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
Observer Levy	\$ 1,010	\$ 1,010	\$ 159	\$ 47	\$ 1,010	\$ -	\$ 2,625	\$ 702
<b>Total Fee</b>	<b>\$ 4,413</b>	<b>\$ 4,413</b>	<b>\$ 3,562</b>	<b>\$ 1,588</b>	<b>\$ 4,413</b>	<b>\$ 3,403</b>	<b>\$ 6,028</b>	<b>\$ 2,343</b>

Vessel operators submitting FFA Vessel Registration fee payments to the FFA Secretariat by bank draft or Telegraphic Transfer (TT) should ensure that the invoice number or the vessel name and International Radio Call Sign (IRCS) is stated in the advice accompanying the bank draft or TT advice for each vessel for which payment is being made. Where the vessel does not have an IRCS, submit the flag registration number.

To achieve registration, all fees must be paid in full and be free of any deductions such as banking charges. The FFA Vessel Registration fee, whether partial or in full, will not be refunded and is not transferable.

The vessel operators are reminded that changes to the vessel ownership, operator (registration applicant), flag and/or gear type will require a new registration.

Please refer to the attached registration guide document '*Guide to application for registration and good standing on the FFA Vessel Register*' for detailed information regarding the registration requirements for the 1-Jul-2018 to 30-Jun-2019 period.

I look forward to your continued cooperation.

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