

[MIA MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 25, August 12, 1982]

**AGE AND TONNAGE (OR BHP) LIMITATIONS AND
CLASSIFICATION REQUIREMENT OF VARIOUS VESSEL TYPES
FOR INTERISLAND USE**

Please be informed that the Maritime Industry Authority Board, in its meeting on August 12, 1982, has approved the following guidelines/limitations in the importation/charter of vessels for interisland use:

1. Size Restrictions

Vessel Type	Minimum Size Limit
1.1. Tugboats	1500 BHP
1.2. Landing ship transport	4000 DWT
1.3. Cargo/container/Ro-Ro Vessels	2000 DWT
1.4. Cargo-passenger vessels	1000 DWT
1.5. Passenger vessels	500 GRT
1.6. Ferry boats	500 GRT
1.7. Fishing Vessels	100 GRT
1.8. Tankers	1000 DWT
1.9. Specialized vessels, e.g., refrigerated vessels, LPG, LNG tankers, hover-craft, No hydrofoil, jetfoil etc.	restriction
1.10. Barges	Total restriction
1.11. Pleasure crafts, except for tourism purposes	Total restriction

2 Age Restrictions

**Maximum
Age Limit**

Tugboats, landing craft transport,	12 years
cargo/container/ Ro-Ro vessels, cargo-passenger vessels, passenger vessels, fishing vessels	(Jan. '83-Dec. '84) 10 years (Jan. '85-Dec. '86)

2.2. Tankers	10 years (1982-'83)
	8 years (1984-'85)
	4 years (1986-'87)
	beyond 1987 (Total Ban)

2.3. Specialized vessels 14 years

All vessels with the exception of fishing vessels, to be imported or chartered, must pass a special survey and must be maintained to class by an internationally accredited classification society with no outstanding recommendations.

All fishing vessels to be imported/chartered by a survey report issued by a MARINA accredited surveying company or as determined by MARINA surveyors.

The chartering of oil tankers will be allowed, however, until the end of 1984 and may be renewed thereafter provided the proponent/applicant undertakes to order new building replacement from a local yard. The charter of oil tankers may likewise be allowed in emergency and critical shortage situations of tankers, as determined by both the Bureau of Energy Utilization (BEU) and the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA).

All tankers vessels to be imported or chartered must pass a special survey and must be maintained to class by an international-accredited classification society with no outstanding recommendations.

LPG Carriers and similar vessels demanding a high technology standard of construction not available in local shipyards shall be exempt from the above restrictions mentioned.

The definition of terms contained in Annex "A" [below] is made an integral part of these guidelines.

MARINA Memorandum Circulars No. 10, 21, 21-A and 22 insofar as they are not inconsistent with this Circular shall remain in full force and effect.

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