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Register of Ships Decree
(874/1993, amendments up to 960/1994 included)

Section 1

- (1) A ship entered in the Register of Ships or the Register of Ships under Construction is issued a register number which must indicate whether the ship has been entered in the register maintained [by the National Board of Navigation] or by the Provincial State Office in the Province of Åland].
- (2) What is laid down in this Act on the Register of Ships also applies to the Register of Ships under Construction.

[] *As of 1 Jan. 2010: by the Finnish Transport Safety Agency and by the State Department of Åland*

Section 2

- (1) The registration authority maintains a separate diary on matters pertaining to registers of ships, which shall include information on when and how the party concerned was informed of the registration authority's decision referred to in section 37 of the Register of Ships Act (512/1993).
- (2) Computerized data processing may be used to maintain the Register of Ships, the Register of Ships under Construction and the diary.

Section 3

- (1) All documents accumulated during the processing of a ship register matter and, if needed, a justification of decisions taken shall be compiled in a dossier. The dossier shall also include any opinions expressed by the party concerned, and any other accounts provided concerning the matter. Also, decisions to postpone the processing of the matter and decisions not entered in the Register of Ships are entered in the dossier.
- (2) Dossiers are archived in an order based on the register numbers of ships.

Section 4

Repealed by Decree 960/1994

Section 5

Finnish foreign missions shall provide the relevant registration authority with a copy of provisional certificates of nationality they issue to a ship.

Section 6

Application forms used in registering and keeping records of ships are available to the public [at the National Board of Navigation and its district and regional offices, and at the Provincial State Office in Åland].

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Section 7

The Ministry of Transport and Communications may matter detailed regulations on maintaining the registers.

Section 8

- (1) This Decree comes into force on November 1, 1993.
- (2) This Decree repeals the Decree (212/1927) of July 29, 1927 on Implementing the Register of Ships Act and any subsequent amendments.