



Kiribati Ship Registry

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TO Ship Owners, Ship Managers, Charterers, Ship Master and the Shipping Community

SUBJECT International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, 2001

PURPOSE

This Circular is to notify the shipping community on procedure to apply for Bunker Convention Certificate (BCC).

APPLICATION

This Circular is applicable for all ships above 1,000 Gross Tonnage (GT).

CONTENT

The Convention was adopted to ensure that adequate, prompt and effective compensation is available to persons who suffer damage caused by spills of oil, when carried as fuel in ship's bunkers. The Convention applies to damage caused on the territory, including the territorial sea, and in Exclusive Economic Zones of States Parties. The Convention requires ships over 1,000 GT to maintain insurance or other financial security, such as the guarantee of a bank or similar financial institution, to cover the liability of the registered owner for pollution damage in an amount equal to the limits of liability under the applicable national or international limitation regime, but in all cases, not exceeding an amount calculated in accordance with the Convention on Limitation of Liability on Maritime Claims, 1976, as amended.

Kiribati has acceded to the Convention on 29 October 2009. All ships above 1,000 GT are required to carry onboard a valid BCC issued by Kiribati Ship Registry.

To apply for BCC, owners/managers should submit the following via email to ops@kiribaship.com or on-line via KRIS (Kiribati Registration for International Ships) portal:

1. Copy of BCC Blue Card recognised by Kiribati Flag (Refer to Marine Circular 11/2009 – List of Recognised P&I Clubs)

All BCC Blue Cards should be addressed to:

**Kiribati Ship Registry
10 Anson Road #25-14
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2. Copy of Registry Certificate (for vessels not registered with Kiribati flag but wish to apply BCC from Kiribati).

Kiribati will not issue BCC for ships that are already flagged under a State Party.

Yours sincerely,

Deputy Registrar
Kiribati Ship Registry

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