

**SALE AND PURCHASE OF MARITIME RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS  
APPARATUS COVERED BY THE GA (VHF / SAT. EPIRB)  
MCA/10/57/F/R.3**

**Introduction**

- a) In accordance with the General Authorisation (Radiocommunications Apparatus) Regulations (S.L.399.40), the vessel on which VHF maritime apparatus and EPIRBs are to be installed needs to be assigned with a call sign and an MMSI. The latter is not required if the VHF apparatus is not DSC enabled.
- b) Any person dealing in radiocommunications apparatus (hereinafter referred to as 'dealer') is required to comply with the 29<sup>th</sup> Schedule of S.L.399.40. In accordance with these Regulations dealers should notify the Malta Communications Authority (MCA) / Transport Malta (TM) with each sale of VHF marine and/or EPIRB apparatus.
- c) Any person enjoying a general authorization under S.L.399.40 shall ensure that the vessel on which the VHF maritime apparatus and EPIRBs is to be installed / used is assigned with a call sign and MMSI as appropriate. In accordance with the Fees leviable by Government Departments Regulations (S.L.35.01), the assignment of such identities carries an administrative fee of fifty-five Euro (€55).
- d) Duly completed forms for VHF maritime apparatus should be sent to the competent ship registration authorities as follows:
  - to the MCA in case of "S" registered and Fishing Vessels (under 6 meters in overall length); or
  - to Transport Malta, Merchant Shipping Directorate in case of all "Valletta" registered vessels.
- e) Forms concerning the sale/purchase of EPIRBs intended to be installed on any type of vessel should be sent to Transport Malta, Merchant Shipping Directorate, Malta Transport Centre, Lija LJA 2021. Once the EPIRB is programmed, the programming report should be sent to Transport Malta.

**Part A: Dealer's notification made in accordance with  
Regulation 3(3) of the 29<sup>th</sup> Schedule of S.L.399.40**

**A.1 Details of the sold maritime radiocommunications apparatus:**

Type of apparatus <i>(tick as applicable):</i>	Details of Apparatus		
	Manufacturer	Model	Serial No.
<input type="checkbox"/> VHF DSC (fixed)			
<input type="checkbox"/> VHF DSC (handheld)			
<input type="checkbox"/> VHF handheld			
<input type="checkbox"/> EPIRB (satellite)			

**A.2 The details of the person buying the radiocommunications apparatus described under A.1 are provided under Part B.1 below.**

**A.3 Declaration:**

*I hereby declare that the information provided in this notification is accurate and complete in all respects. I also declare that I am legally authorised to sign this application.*

Dealer's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Dealer's authorised person: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Sale: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part B: Request by the Person buying the apparatus described under Part A for the assignment of maritime identities (Regulations 10 and 11 of the 1<sup>st</sup> Schedule of S.L.399.40)**

**B.1 Details of the person purchasing the radiocommunications apparatus described under Part A above:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

ID/ Passport No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Fixed telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Details of an emergency contact person ashore (Name, Surname & Fixed/ Mobile Tel No.): \_\_\_\_\_

**B.2 Details of the vessel on which the radiocommunications apparatus described under Part A above is to be installed:**

Vessel registered under (tick the applicable):

Merchant Shipping Act      Official / IMO No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Small Ships Regulations      Registration No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Fishing Vessels Regulations      Registration No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach a copy of the vessel's valid registration certificate.**

**B.3 Declaration:**

I the undersigned hereby declare that:

- a) I have purchased the radiocommunications apparatus described in Part A.1 and am hereby requesting the MCA / TM to assign to the vessel described under Part B.2 with a Call Sign and/ or MMSI, as appropriate, as required by S.L.399.40;
- b) I will be paying the MCA / TM the applicable fees as established from time to time under national law with respect to the assignment of the said Call Sign and/ or MMSI;
- c) the information provided in this form is accurate and complete in all respects; and
- d) in operating the radiocommunications apparatus, I will observe the provisions of S.L.399.40.

For Data Protection Purposes, I understand that in processing this form the MCA / TM may disclose any of the details provided under Part B to other entities only for matters relating to search and rescue.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_