



REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF COMPULSORY PILOTAGE

VESSEL PARTICULARS

Name and Type of Vessel:

Port of Registry:

Owners:

Local Agent:

Draft:

Length:

Breadth:

Vessel GRT

Tug & Tow combined tonnage:

DETAILED ROUTING OF VESSEL

Plan of Passage

Date of Travel

Distances & Times to be travelled per day

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DECKWATCH OFFICERS

Name: Certificate No: Expiry

Date: Fluent in English:

Certificate Type: Yes No

Country of Issue:

Describe experience in Belizean waters:

Routes covered:

Name:

Certificate No:

Expiry Date:

Fluent in English:

Certificate Type:

Yes No

Country of Issue:

Describe experience in Belizean waters:

Routes covered:

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Certificate No:

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Fluent in English:

Certificate Type:

Yes No

Country of Issue:

Describe experience in Belizean waters:

Routes covered:

We also require the following:

1. Confirmation that the vessel is insured with hull and P. & I. Insurance.
2. A letter from the vessel's underwriters specifically acknowledging that the vessel is at liberty to sail in the region without a pilot and specifically acknowledging and agreeing that should the Belize Port Authority waive compulsory pilotage requirements for the vessel (name of vessel) _____ the underwriter agrees to waive subrogation against the Belize Port Authority and its directors and officers.

It shall be expressly understood that a waiver of pilotage may be granted only when **all** of the following conditions are met.

- The vessel has no defects or deficiencies in crew, safety equipment, propulsion, or navigational apparatus.
- The vessel is safe and seaworthy.
- The vessel has on board up-to-date and accurate charts of Belize.
- The vessel is not carrying hazardous or dangerous cargo.
- The vessel is neither a tanker nor does the bulk of its cargo consist of petroleum products.
- The master and crew are fully STCW-95 certified and qualified.

- The master and no less than 1/2 of his crew have transited Belizean waters (intended route) no less than 3 times on the vessel during the previous 6 months.

Upon signature of this document, we also acknowledge that any marine occurrence while operating in compulsory pilotage waters will require a written report to the Belize Port Authority. Failure to report could result in a fine of \$15,000 as per the *Harbours and Merchant Shipping Act 234 Substantive 2011* Section 41 (4).

MASTER'S/SHIP'S AGENT SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

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Request: approved_____ denied_____

PORTS COMMISSIONER _____

* Section 53(1) of the Belize Port Authority Act, Chapter 233 Revised Edition 2011 states that “**The territorial waters of Belize shall be compulsory pilotage waters and all ships other than those excepted under subsection (2), navigating within those waters shall do so under pilotage of a licensed pilot and any failure to take on a pilot shall render the ship liable to a fine of five hundred dollars in addition to the pilotage fee. The fine and the fee shall be levied as charge by the Authority.**”