

## Maritime Terms

### A

<b>AA</b>	Always Afloat
<b>AAAA</b>	Always Afloat, Always Accessible
<b>AAOSA</b>	Always Afloat Or Safe Aground
<b>AAR</b>	Against All Risks
<b>AARA</b>	Always Accessible or Reachable on Arrival
<b>AB</b>	Able Seaman
<b>ABS</b>	American Bureau of Shipping
<b>AC</b>	Alternating Current (electricity)
<b>ACV</b>	Air Cushion Vehicle
<b>AD</b>	Area Differential
<b>ADF</b>	Automatic Direction Finder
<b>AF</b>	Anti-Fouling
<b>AFFF</b>	Aqueous Film Forming Foam
<b>AFRA</b>	Average Freight Rate Assessment
<b>AG</b>	Arabian Gulf
<b>AGW</b>	Actual Gross Weight
	All Going Well
<b>AHTS</b>	Anchor Handling Tug and Supply Vessel
<b>AIS</b>	Automatic Identification System
<b>ALERT</b>	Automatic Life-saving Emergency Radio Transmitter
<b>ALRS</b>	Admiralty List of Radio Signals
<b>AMSL</b>	Above Mean Sea Level
<b>AMVER</b>	Automated Mutual Assistance Vessel Rescue System
<b>AMWELSH</b>	Americanised Welsh Coal Charter party
<b>ANERA</b>	Asia-North America Eastbound Rate Agreement
<b>ANOP</b>	Articles Not Otherwise Provided for
<b>ANSI</b>	American National Standard Institute
<b>AO</b>	Awaiting Orders
	And Other
<b>AOB</b>	Any One Bottom
<b>AOH</b>	After Office Hours
<b>AOLOC</b>	Any One Location
<b>AOR</b>	Atlantic Ocean Region



<b>AOS</b>	Any One Steamer
<b>AOV</b>	Any One Vessel
<b>AP</b>	All Purposes
	Additional Premium
	Aft Perpendicular
<b>API</b>	American Petroleum Institute
<b>APS</b>	Arrival Pilot Station
<b>APT</b>	Aft Peak Tank
<b>ARA</b>	Antwerp - Rotterdam - Amsterdam
<b>ARPA</b>	Automatic Radar Plotting Aid
<b>A/S</b>	Alongside
<b>ASAP</b>	As Soon As Possible
<b>ASBA</b>	The Association of Shipbrokers and Agents (USA) Incorporated, New York
<b>ASCII</b>	American Standard Code for Information Interchange
<b>ASPW</b>	Any Safe Port in the World
<b>ASTM</b>	American Society of Testing & Materials
<b>ATA</b>	Actual Time of Arrival
<b>ATD</b>	Actual Time of Departure
<b>ATDN</b>	Any Time Day & Night
<b>ATDNSHINC</b>	Anytime Day/Night Sundays & Holidays Included
<b>ATK</b>	Aviation Turbine Kerosene
<b>ATS</b>	All Time Saved
<b>ATSBE</b>	All Time Saved Both Ends
<b>ATSDO</b>	All Time Saved Discharging Only
<b>ATUTC</b>	Actual Times Used To Count
<b>AUV</b>	Autonomous Underwater Vehicle
<b>AVGAS</b>	Aviation Gasoline
<b>AVR</b>	Automatic Voltage Regulator
<b>AVTAG</b>	Aviation Turbine Gasoline
<b>AWIWL</b>	Always Within Institute Warranty Limits
<b>AWVNS</b>	Always Within Vessel's Natural Segregation
<b>AWRI</b>	Additional War Risk Insurance

## B

<b>BA</b>	British Admiralty
<b>BAF</b>	Bunker Adjustment Factor
<b>BB</b>	Below Bridge



	Ballast Bonus
	Bare Boat
	Break Bulk/ Breaking Bulk
	Bulbous Bow
<b>BBB</b>	Before Breaking Bulk
<b>BBC</b>	Bare Boat Charter
<b>BC</b>	Code of Safe Practice for Solid Bulk Cargoes
<b>BCH</b>	Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk
<b>BCM</b>	Bow to Centre of Manifold
<b>BCO</b>	Beneficial Cargo Owner
<b>BD</b>	Bar Draught
<b>BDC</b>	Bottom Dead Centre
<b>BDI</b>	Both Dates Inclusive
<b>B/E</b>	Break-Even
<b>BENDS</b>	Both Ends
<b>BFI</b>	Baltic Freight Index
<b>BHP</b>	Brake Horse Power
<b>BI</b>	Both Inclusive
<b>BIC</b>	Bureau International des Containers (International Container Bureau)
<b>BIFFEX</b>	Baltic International Freight Futures Index
<b>bimco</b>	The Baltic and International Maritime Council
<b>BKR</b>	Bulgarski Koraben Registar (Bulgarian Register of Shipping)
<b>B/L</b>	Bill of Lading
<b>BLU</b>	Code of Practice for the Safe Loading and Unloading of Bulk Carriers
<b>BN</b>	Booking Note
<b>BOA</b>	Berthing On Arrival
<b>BOB</b>	Bunkers On Board
	Balance On Board
<b>BOD</b>	Bunkers On Delivery
<b>BOFFERS</b>	Best Offers
<b>BOL</b>	Bill Of Lading
<b>BOP</b>	Blow-out Preventer
<b>BOR</b>	Bunkers On Redelivery
<b>B/P</b>	Bills Payable
<b>B/R</b>	Bills Receivable
<b>BROB</b>	Bunkers Remaining On Board



<b>BS</b>	Bunker Surcharge
<b>BSC</b>	British Shippers` Council
<b>BSI</b>	British Standards Institution
<b>BST</b>	British Standard Time
	British Summer Time
<b>BT</b>	Berth Terms
<b>BV</b>	Bureau Veritas
<b>BW</b>	Brackish Water
	Ballast Water
<b>BWAD</b>	Brackish Water Arrival Draught
<b>BWDD</b>	Brackish Water Departure Draught
<b>BWT</b>	Ballast Water Tank

## C

<b>CABAF</b>	Currency And Bunker Adjustment Factor
<b>CAF</b>	Currency Adjustment Factor
<b>CBFT</b>	Cubic Feet
<b>CBM</b>	Cubic Metres
	Conventional Buoy Mooring
<b>CBR</b>	Commodity Box Rate
<b>CBS</b>	Cyprus Bureau of Shipping
<b>CBT</b>	Clean Ballast Tank
<b>CC</b>	Cubic Capacity
	Cubic Centimetres
	Continuation Clause
<b>CCG</b>	Canadian Coast Guard
<b>CCS</b>	China Classification Society
<b>CD</b>	Customary Despatch
<b>C/E</b>	Chief Engineer
<b>CENSA</b>	Council of European and Japanese National Shipowners Association
<b>CES</b>	Coast Earth Station
<b>CFM</b>	Container Flow Management
<b>CFR</b>	Cost and Freight
<b>CFS</b>	Container Freight Station
<b>CFT</b>	Cubic Feet
<b>CG</b>	Centre of Gravity
<b>CGA</b>	Cargo`s proportion of General Average
<b>CHABE</b>	Charterer`s Agents Both Ends



<b>CHOPT</b>	Charterer's Option
<b>CIF</b>	Cost, Insurance & Freight
<b>CIF&amp;E</b>	Cost, Insurance, Freight & Exchange
<b>CIF&amp;I</b>	Cost, Insurance, Freight & Interest
<b>CIFC</b>	Cost, Insurance, Freight and Commission
<b>CIFC&amp;I</b>	Cost, Insurance, Freight, Commission & Interest
<b>CIM</b>	Convention Internationale Concernant le Transport des Marchandises par Chemin de Fer
<b>CIP</b>	Carriage and Insurance Paid to Calling In Port
<b>CIQ</b>	Customs Immigration Quarantine
<b>CIT</b>	Chartered Institute of Transport
<b>CLP</b>	Container Load Plan
<b>CMI</b>	Comit? Maritime International
<b>CMR</b>	Convention Marchandise Routiers
<b>C/N</b>	Consignment Note Cover Note Credit Note
<b>C/O</b>	Chief Officer Care Of
<b>CLC</b>	Civil Liability Convention of 1969
<b>COA</b>	Contract Of Affreightment
<b>COACP</b>	Contract Of Affreightment Charter Party
<b>COB</b>	Close Of Business
<b>COC</b>	Certificate Of Competency Carrier Owned Container
<b>COD</b>	Cash On Delivery
<b>COF</b>	Certificate Of Fitness
<b>COFC</b>	Container On Flat Car
<b>COGS</b>	Carriage of Goods by Sea
<b>COGSA</b>	Carriage of Goods by Sea Act
<b>COMBIDOC</b>	Combined Transport Document
<b>COP</b>	Customs Of the Port
<b>COT</b>	Cargo Oil Tank
<b>COW</b>	Crude Oil Washing
<b>C/P</b>	Charter Party
<b>CPD</b>	Charterers Pay Dues
<b>CPP</b>	Clean Petroleum Products



	Controllable Pitch Propeller
<b>CPT</b>	Carriage Paid To
<b>CQD</b>	Customary Quick Despatch
<b>CR</b>	China Corporation Register of Shipping
<b>CROB</b>	Cargo Remaining On Board
<b>CRS</b>	Croatian Register of Shipping
<b>CSC</b>	International Convention for Safe Containers
<b>CSM</b>	Container Slot Management
<b>CSO</b>	Company Security Officer
<b>CSR</b>	Czech and Slovak Ship's and Industrial Register
	Continuous Service Rate
<b>CST</b>	Central Standard Time
	Centistoke
<b>CT</b>	Conference Terms
<b>CTL</b>	Constructive Total Loss
<b>CTO</b>	Combined Transport Operator
<b>CUFT</b>	Cubic Feet
<b>CVs</b>	Consecutive Voyages
<b>CY</b>	Container Yard

## D

<b>DA</b>	Discharge Afloat
<b>DAP</b>	Days All Purposes
<b>DAS</b>	Docking Aid System
<b>DB</b>	Double Bottom
<b>DBT</b>	Double Bottom Tank
<b>DC</b>	Direct Current
<b>D/D</b>	Days After Date
	Delivered At Docks
<b>DD</b>	Daily Discharge
	Dry Docking
<b>DDC</b>	Destination Delivery Charge
<b>DDP</b>	Delivery Duty Paid
<b>DDU</b>	Delivery Duty Unpaid
<b>DEL</b>	Delivery
<b>DEM</b>	Demurrage
<b>DEQ</b>	Delivered Ex Quay
<b>DES</b>	Delivered Ex Ship



<b>DESP</b>	Despatch
<b>DG</b>	Dangerous Goods
<b>DGN</b>	Dangerous Goods Note
<b>DGPS</b>	Differential Global Positioning System
<b>DHD</b>	Demurrage Half Despatch
<b>DHDATSBE</b>	Demurrage Half Despatch on All Time Saved Both Ends
<b>DHDWTSBE</b>	Demurrage Half Despatch on Working Time Saved Both Ends
<b>DIC</b>	Delivered In Charge
<b>DISPORT</b>	Discharge Port
<b>DIST</b>	Distance
<b>DKVN</b>	Vietnam Register of Shipping
<b>DLOSP</b>	Dropping Last Outward Sea Pilot
<b>DNV</b>	Det Norske Veritas (Norwegian Classification Society)
<b>DO</b>	Diesel Oil
<b>DOC</b>	Document Of Compliance
<b>DOP</b>	Dropping Outward Pilot
<b>DOSP</b>	Dropping Outward Sea Pilot
<b>DP</b>	Dynamic Positioning
<b>DPP</b>	Dirty Petroleum Products
<b>DR</b>	Dead Reckoning
<b>DRC</b>	Daily Running Cost
<b>DSC</b>	Digital Selective Calling
<b>DSHA</b>	Dangerous Substance in Harbour Area (Regulations)
<b>DT</b>	Deep Tank
<b>DWAT</b>	Deadweight All Told
<b>DWCC</b>	Deadweight Cargo Capacity
<b>DWCT</b>	Deadweight Cargo Tonnage
<b>DWT</b>	Deadweight

## E

<b>EASC</b>	European Air Shippers` Council
<b>EC</b>	East Coast
<b>ECDIS</b>	Electronic Chart Display and Information System
<b>ECS</b>	Electronic Charting System
<b>ECSA</b>	East Coast South America
<b>ECSI</b>	Export Cargo Shipping Instructions
<b>ECTU</b>	European Council of Transport Users
<b>EDH</b>	Efficient Deck Hand



<b>EDI</b>	Electronic Data Interchange
<b>EDIFACT</b>	Electronic Data Interchange For Administration, Commerce and Transport
<b>EDP</b>	Early Departure Procedure
<b>EEBD</b>	Emergency Escape Breathing Device
<b>EHC</b>	Equipment Handover Charge
<b>EHP</b>	Effective Horse Power
<b>EITC</b>	European Inland Transport Council
<b>EIU</b>	Even If Used
<b>ELSA</b>	Emergency Life Saving Apparatus
<b>EMF</b>	Electromotive Force
<b>ENC</b>	Electronic Navigation Chart
<b>EOP</b>	End Of Passage
<b>EOSP</b>	End Of Sea Passage
<b>EPIRB</b>	Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon
<b>ER</b>	Engine Room
<b>ESC</b>	European Shippers` Councils
<b>ESD</b>	Emergency Shut Down
<b>ESPO</b>	European Sea Ports Organisation
<b>ETA</b>	Expected Time of Arrival
<b>ETB</b>	Expected Time of Berthing
<b>ETC</b>	Expected Time of Completion
<b>ETCD</b>	Expected Time of Completion & Departure
<b>ETD</b>	Expected Time of Departure
<b>ETR</b>	Expected Time of Readiness
<b>ETS</b>	Expected Time of Sailing
<b>EXW</b>	Ex Works

## F

<b>FA</b>	Free Alongside
<b>FAA</b>	Free of All Average
<b>FAC</b>	Fast As Can Forwarding Agent`s Commission
<b>FACCOP</b>	Fast As Can, Custom Of Port
<b>FAF</b>	Fuel Adjustment Factor
<b>FAK</b>	Freight All Kinds
<b>FAOP</b>	Full Ahead On Passage
<b>FAQ</b>	Fair Average Quality
<b>FAS</b>	Free Alongside Ship



<b>FBL</b>	FIATA Bill of Lading
<b>F&amp;CC</b>	Full And Complete Cargo
<b>FC</b>	Free of Capture
<b>FCA</b>	Free Carrier
<b>FCL</b>	Full Container Load
<b>FCAR</b>	Free of Claim for Accident Reported
<b>FCR</b>	Forwarder's Certificate of Receipt
<b>FCS</b>	Free of Capture and Seizure
<b>FCT</b>	Forwarder's Certificate of Transport
<b>F&amp;D</b>	Freight & Demurrage
<b>FD</b>	Free Discharge
	Free Despatch
	Forced Draught
<b>FD&amp;D</b>	Freight Demurrage And Defence
<b>FDD</b>	Freight Demurrage Deadfreight
<b>FEFC</b>	Far East Freight Conference
<b>FEMAS</b>	Federation of European Maritime Associations of Surveyors
<b>FERIT</b>	Far East Regional Investigation Team
<b>FEU</b>	Forty-foot Equivalent Unit
<b>FFA</b>	Free From Alongside
	Fire Fighting Appliances
<b>FFI</b>	(FIATA) Forwarding Instructions
<b>FGA</b>	Free of General Average
<b>FHEX</b>	Fridays and Holidays Excluded
<b>FHINC</b>	Fridays and Holidays Included
<b>FI</b>	Free In
<b>FIATA</b>	International Federation of Forwarding Agents Associations
<b>FIB</b>	Free Into Barge
	Free Into Bunker
<b>FILO</b>	First In Last Out
	Free In Liner Out
<b>FILTD</b>	Free In Liner Terms Discharge
<b>FIO</b>	Free In and Out
<b>FIOLS</b>	Free In and Out, Lashed, Secured
<b>FIOLS&amp;D</b>	Free In and Out, Lashed, Secured and Dunnaged
<b>FIOS</b>	Free In and Out Stowed
<b>FIOST</b>	Free In and Out Stowed and Trimmed
<b>FIOT</b>	Free In and Out Trimmed



<b>FIT</b>	Free In Truck
	Free In Trimmed
<b>FIW</b>	Free In Wagon
<b>FLT</b>	Fork Lift Truck
	Full Liner Terms
<b>FMC</b>	Federal Maritime Commission
<b>FMS</b>	Fathoms
<b>FO</b>	Fuel Oil
	Firm Offer
	For Orders
	Free Out
	Free Overside
<b>FOB</b>	Free On Board
<b>FOB`S</b>	Free On Board Charges
<b>FOC</b>	Free On Car
	Flag Of Convenience
<b>FOD</b>	Free on Damage
<b>FONASBA</b>	The Federation of National Associations of Shipbrokers and Agents
<b>FOQ</b>	Free On Quay
<b>FOR</b>	Free On Rail
<b>FOS</b>	Fuel Oil Surcharge
<b>FOT</b>	Free On Truck
	Fuel Oil Tank
<b>FOW</b>	Free On Wharf
	Free On Wagon
	First Open Water
<b>FPA</b>	Free Of Particular Average
<b>FPDSO</b>	Floating Production, Drilling, Storage and Offloading
<b>FPSO</b>	Floating Production, Storage and Offloading
<b>FPT</b>	Fore Peak Tank
<b>FROF</b>	Fire Risk On Freight
<b>FRP</b>	Fibreglass Reinforced Plastic
<b>FRT</b>	Freight
<b>FSO</b>	Floating Storage & Offloading
<b>FSU</b>	Floating Storage Unit
<b>FTW</b>	Free Trade Wharf
<b>FW</b>	Fresh Water
<b>FWA</b>	Fresh Water Allowance



<b>FWAD</b>	Fresh Water Arrival Draught
<b>FWDD</b>	Fresh Water Departure Draught
<b>FWE</b>	Finished With Engine
<b>FYG</b>	For Your Guidance
<b>FYI</b>	For Your Information
<b>FYT</b>	Follow Your Telex

## G

<b>GA</b>	General Arrangement
	General Average
<b>GATT</b>	General Agreement on Tariff and Trade
<b>G/B</b>	Grain/Bales
<b>G-H</b>	Gibraltar-Hamburg
<b>GL</b>	Germanischer Lloyd (German Classification Society)
<b>GLONASS</b>	Global Navigation Satellite System
<b>GMDSS</b>	Global Maritime Distress and Safety System
<b>GMT</b>	Greenwich Meridian Time
<b>GNS</b>	German North Sea
<b>GO</b>	Gas Oil
<b>GOC</b>	General Operator Certificate
<b>GP</b>	General Purpose
<b>GPS</b>	Global Positioning System
<b>GPU</b>	Generator Protection Unit
<b>GRI</b>	General Rate Increase
<b>GRT</b>	Gross Registered Tonnage
<b>GT</b>	Greenwich Time
	Gross Tonnage
<b>GW</b>	Gale Warning
	Gross Weight

## H

<b>HA</b>	Hatch
<b>HAT</b>	Highest Astronomical Tide
<b>HBF</b>	Harmless Bulk Fertiliser
<b>HD</b>	Half Despatch
<b>HDLTSBENDS</b>	Half Despatch Lay Time Saved Both Ends
<b>HFO</b>	Heavy Fuel Oil
<b>H-H</b>	Harve-Hamburg



<b>HHDW</b>	Heavy Handy Deadweight
<b>HHDWS</b>	Heavy Handy Deadweight Scrap
<b>HHW</b>	Higher High Water
<b>HHWI</b>	Higher High Water Interval
<b>HHWL</b>	Highest High Water Level
<b>HLA</b>	Heavy Lift Additional
<b>HLW</b>	Higher Low Water
<b>HLWI</b>	Higher Low Water Interval
<b>HMB</b>	Heavy Motor Blocks
<b>HMS</b>	Heavy Metal Scraps
	Her Majesty's Ships
<b>HO</b>	Holds
<b>HP</b>	Horse Power
<b>HR</b>	Hellenic Register of Shipping
<b>HSC</b>	International Code for Safety of High Speed Craft
<b>HSD</b>	High Speed Diesel
<b>HSS</b>	Heavy Grains, Soyabean and Sorghums
<b>HTS</b>	High Tensile Steel
<b>HW</b>	High Water
<b>HWI</b>	High Water Interval
<b>HWLI</b>	High Water Lunitidal Interval
<b>HWM</b>	High Water Mark
<b>HWN</b>	High Water Neaps
<b>HWONT</b>	High Water Ordinary Neap Tide
<b>HWOST</b>	High Water Ordinary Spring Tide
<b>HWS</b>	High Water Spring
<b>HWT</b>	High Water Time

## I

<b>IACS</b>	International Association of Classification Societies
<b>IAF</b>	Inflation Adjustment Factor
<b>IALA</b>	International Association of Lighthouse Authorities
<b>IAPH</b>	International Association of Ports and Harbours
<b>IAPP</b>	International Air Pollution Prevention
<b>IBC</b>	International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk
<b>IBIA</b>	International Bunker Industry Association Ltd
<b>IBS</b>	Integrated Bridge System



<b>ICC</b>	International Chamber of Commerce
	Institute Cargo Clauses
<b>ICS</b>	International Chamber of Shipping
<b>ICS</b>	Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers
<b>IDL</b>	International Date Line
<b>IFF</b>	Institute of Freight Forwarders
<b>IFO</b>	Intermediate Fuel Oil
<b>IFP</b>	Interim Fuel Participation factor
<b>IGC</b>	International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk
<b>IGS</b>	Inert Gas System
<b>IHO</b>	International Hydrographic Organisation
<b>IHP</b>	Indicated Horse Power
<b>ILOHC</b>	In Lieu Of Hold Cleaning
<b>IMB</b>	International Maritime Bureau
<b>IMDG</b>	International Maritime Dangerous Goods code
<b>IMO</b>	International Maritime Organisation
<b>IMOSAR</b>	IMO Search and Rescue manual
<b>IMPA</b>	International Marine Purchasing Association
<b>INF</b>	International Code for the Safe Carriage of Packaged Irradiated Nuclear Fuel, Plutonium and High-Level Radioactive Wastes on Board Ships
<b>INMARSAT</b>	International Maritime Satellite Organisation
<b>INTERTANKO</b>	International Association of Independent Tanker Owners
<b>IOPP</b>	International Oil Pollution Prevention
<b>IOR</b>	Indian Ocean Region
<b>IP</b>	Institute of Petroleum
<b>IRO</b>	In Respect Of
<b>IRS</b>	Indian Register of Shipping
<b>ISDN</b>	Integrated Services Digital Network
<b>ISF</b>	International Shipping Federation
<b>ISGOTT</b>	International Safety Guide for Oil Tankers and Terminals
<b>ISM</b>	International Safety Management code
<b>ISMA</b>	International Ship Managers Association
<b>ISO</b>	International Organisation for Standardisation
<b>ISPP</b>	International Sewage Pollution Prevention
<b>ISPS</b>	International Ship and Port Facility Security Code
<b>ITF</b>	International Transport Workers` Federation
<b>ITIC</b>	International Transport Intermediaries` Club



<b>IU</b>	If Used
<b>IUHTAUTC</b>	If Used, Half Time Actually To Count
<b>IUMI</b>	International Union of Marine Insurance
<b>IWL</b>	Institute Warranty Limits
<b>IWO</b>	In Way Of

## J

<b>J &amp; WO</b>	Jettison & Wash Overboard
<b>JIT</b>	Just In Time

## K

<b>KD</b>	Knocked Down
<b>KR</b>	Korean Register of Shipping
<b>KT</b>	Kiloton
<b>KTS</b>	Knots
<b>KVA</b>	Kilovolt-Ampere
<b>KW</b>	Kilowatt

## L

<b>LASH</b>	Lighter Aboard Ship
<b>LAT</b>	Latitude
	Lowest Astronomical Tide
<b>LAY/CAN</b>	Laydays/Cancelling
<b>LBP</b>	Length Between Perpendiculars
<b>LCL</b>	Less than Container Load
	Loose Container Load
<b>L/D</b>	Loading/Discharging
<b>LCF</b>	Longitudinal Centre of Flotation
<b>LD</b>	Loaded
<b>LDF</b>	Light Distillate Feedstock
<b>LDG/UNLDG</b>	Loading/Unloading
<b>LDPT</b>	Load Port
<b>LES</b>	Land Earth Station
<b>LFL</b>	Lower Flammable Limit
<b>LHW</b>	Low High Water
<b>LHWI</b>	Low High Water Interval
<b>LIFO</b>	Liner In Free Out
<b>LISCR</b>	Liberian International Ship & Corporate Registry



<b>LLA</b>	Long Length Additional
<b>LLW</b>	Lower Low Water
<b>LLWI</b>	Lower Low Water Interval
<b>LLWL</b>	Lowest Low Water Level
<b>LM</b>	Lane Metre
<b>LMSS</b>	Land Mobile Satellite Service
<b>LNG</b>	Liquefied Natural Gas
<b>LO</b>	Lubricating Oil
<b>LO/LO</b>	Lift On/Lift Off
<b>LOA</b>	Length Overall
<b>LOF</b>	Lloyd's Open Form
<b>LOI</b>	Letter Of Indemnity
<b>LOP</b>	Line Of Position
<b>LPG</b>	Liquefied Petroleum Gas
<b>LR</b>	Lloyd's Register of Shipping
<b>LS</b>	Lump Sum
<b>LSA</b>	Life Saving Appliances
<b>LS&amp;D</b>	Landing, Storage and Delivery Charge
<b>LT</b>	Local Time
	Long Ton
	Liner Terms
	Lumber Tropical (loadline)
<b>LTF</b>	Lumber Tropical Fresh water (loadline)
<b>LW</b>	Lumber Winter (loadline)
<b>LWL</b>	Load Water Line
	Low Water Level
<b>LWNA</b>	Lumber Winter North Atlantic load line
<b>LWONT</b>	Low Water Ordinary Neap Tide
<b>LWOST</b>	Low Water Ordinary Spring Tide

## M

<b>MARPOL</b>	International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships
<b>MBL</b>	Minimum Breaking Load
<b>MCA</b>	Maritime and Coastguard Agency
<b>MCO</b>	Maximum Continuous Output
<b>MCR</b>	Maximum Continuous Rating
<b>MDO</b>	Marine Diesel Oil



<b>MED</b>	Mediterranean
<b>MEES</b>	Middle East Emergency Surcharge
<b>MEPC</b>	Maritime Environment Protection Committee
<b>MERSAR</b>	Merchant Ship Search and Rescue manual
<b>MES</b>	Mobile Earth Station
<b>MFO</b>	Marine Fuel Oil
<b>MGO</b>	Marine Gas Oil
<b>MGW</b>	Maximum Gross Weight
<b>MHHW</b>	Mean Higher High Water
<b>MHHWS</b>	Mean Higher High Water Spring
<b>MHLW</b>	Mean Higher Low Water
<b>MHW</b>	Mean High Water
<b>MHWI</b>	Mean High Water Interval
<b>MHWN</b>	Mean High Water Neaps
<b>MHWS</b>	Mean High Water Springs
<b>MLB</b>	Mini Land Bridge
<b>MLD</b>	Moulded
<b>MLHW</b>	Mean Lower High Water
<b>MLLW</b>	Mean Lower Low Water
<b>MLLWS</b>	Mean Lower Low Water Spring
<b>MLW</b>	Mean Low Water
<b>MLWI</b>	Mean Low Water lunital Interval
<b>MLWN</b>	Mean Low Water Neaps
<b>MLWS</b>	Mean Low Water Springs
<b>MID</b>	Maritime Identification Digits
<b>MMSS</b>	Maritime Mobile Satellite Service
<b>MOB</b>	Man Over Board
<b>MODU</b>	Mobile Offshore Drilling Unit
<b>MOL</b>	More Or Less
<b>MOLCO</b>	More Or Less Charterer's Option
<b>MOLOO</b>	More Or Less Owner's Option
<b>MOT</b>	Ministry Of Transport
<b>M/R</b>	Mate's Receipt
<b>MS</b>	Motor Ship
<b>MSA</b>	Marine Safety Agency
	Merchant Shipping Act
<b>MSB</b>	Main Switch Board
<b>MSC</b>	Maritime Safety Committee



<b>MSG</b>	Message
<b>MSI</b>	Maritime Safety Information
<b>MSL</b>	Mean Sea Level
<b>M/T</b>	Motor Tanker
<b>MT</b>	Motor Tanker
	Metric Ton
	Empty
<b>MTBE</b>	Metyl Tertiary Butyl Ether
<b>MTC</b>	Moment to change Trim per Centimetre
<b>MTD</b>	Multimodal Transport Document
<b>MTL</b>	Mean Tide Level
<b>MTO</b>	Multimodal Transport Operator
<b>M/V</b>	Motor Vessel
<b>MV</b>	Motor Vessel

## N

<b>NAABSA</b>	Not Always Afloat But Safely Aground
<b>NCAD</b>	Notice of Cancellation at Anniversary Date
<b>NCSA</b>	North Coast South America
<b>NCV</b>	No Commercial Value
<b>NDT</b>	Non-Destructive Testing
<b>NEOBIG</b>	Not East Of But Including Greece
<b>NEP/S</b>	Not Elsewhere Provided/Stated
<b>NIMA</b>	National Imagery and Mapping Agency
<b>NKK</b>	Nippon Kaiji Kyokai (Japanese Classification Society)
<b>NLS</b>	Noxious Liquid Substances
<b>NMEA</b>	National Marine Electronics Association
<b>NOAA</b>	The United States National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
<b>NOE</b>	Notice of Exception
	Not Otherwise Enumerated
<b>NOP</b>	Not Otherwise Provided
<b>NOR</b>	Notice Of Readiness
<b>NORA</b>	Notice Of Readiness Accepted
<b>NORT</b>	Notice Of Readiness Tendered
<b>NOS</b>	Not Otherwise Specified
<b>NPA</b>	National Petroleum Association
<b>NR</b>	No Risk
<b>NRAD</b>	No Risk After Discharge



<b>NRT</b>	Net Registered Tonnage
<b>NS</b>	Nuclear Ship
<b>NSA</b>	Non-Separation Agreement
<b>NSPF</b>	Not Specially Provided For
<b>N/T</b>	New Terms
<b>NT</b>	Net Tonnage
<b>NTM</b>	Notice to Mariners
<b>NUC</b>	Not Under Command
<b>NVO</b>	Non-Vessel Operating
<b>NVOC</b>	Non-Vessel Owning Carrier
<b>NVOCC</b>	Non-Vessel Owning Common Carrier
<b>NWE</b>	North West Europe
<b>NYPE</b>	New York Produce Exchange form

## O

<b>OBO</b>	Oil/Bulk/Ore
<b>O/C</b>	Open Charter Ore Carrier
<b>OCIMF</b>	Oil Companies International Marine Forum
<b>OCP</b>	Over Common Point
<b>OD</b>	Outside Diameter
<b>ODME</b>	Oil Discharge Monitoring Equipment
<b>ODP</b>	Offshore Drilling Platform
<b>OH</b>	Off Hire
<b>OHBC</b>	Open Hatch Bulk Carrier
<b>OO</b>	Oil/Ore Owner's Option
<b>OOG</b>	Out Of Gauge
<b>OOW</b>	Officer On Watch
<b>OPA</b>	Oil Pollution Act
<b>OPEC</b>	Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries
<b>OPL</b>	Off Port Limits
<b>OPRHNS</b>	Protocol on Preparedness, Response and Co-operation to Pollution incidents by Hazardous and Noxious Substances
<b>OR</b>	Owner's Risk
<b>ORB</b>	Owner's Risk of Breakage
<b>ORC</b>	Owner's Risk of Chafing
<b>ORD</b>	Owner's Risk of Damage



<b>OS</b>	Ordinary Seaman
<b>OSB</b>	One Safe Berth
<b>OS&amp;D</b>	Over, Short and Damage (report)
<b>OSD</b>	Open Shelter Decker
	Oil Spill Dispersant
<b>OSP</b>	One Safe Port
<b>OSRA</b>	Ocean Shipping Reform Act
<b>OSV</b>	Offshore Supply Vessel
<b>OT</b>	On Truck
	Overtime
	Oil Tight
<b>OWS</b>	Oily Water Separator

## P

<b>P&amp;I</b>	Protection And Indemnity
<b>PANDI</b>	Protection And Indemnity
<b>P/CGO</b>	Part Cargo
<b>PCC</b>	Pure Car Carrier
<b>PCNT</b>	Panama Canal Nett Tonnage
<b>PCT</b>	Percent
<b>PDM</b>	Physical Distribution Management
<b>PDPR</b>	Per Day Pro Rata
<b>PEL</b>	Permissible Exposure Limit
<b>PER/DRF</b>	Permissible Draught
<b>PF</b>	Power Factor
<b>PFSO</b>	Port Facility Security Officer
<b>PG</b>	Persian Gulf
<b>PGF</b>	Poincar? Gold Franc
<b>PHPD</b>	Per Hatch Per Day
<b>PIC</b>	Person In Charge
<b>PL</b>	Protective Location
<b>PLTC`S</b>	Port Liner Term Charges
<b>PMQS</b>	Provided Minimum Quantity Supplied
<b>PMS</b>	Plan Maintenance System
<b>POB</b>	Pilot On Board
<b>POR</b>	Pacific Ocean Region
<b>PP</b>	Picked Port(s)
	Posted Price



Pre-Paid

**PPE** Personal Protection Equipment

**PPM** Parts Per Million

**PPS** Precise Positioning System

**PPT** Prompt Ship

**PRS** Polski Rejestr Statkow (Polish Register of Shipping)

**PSC** Port State Control

**PSF** Pounds per Square Foot

**PSI** Pounds per Square Inch

**PSR** Panama Shipping Register

**PT** Private Terms

**PV** Pressure Vacuum (valve)

**PWWD** Per Weather Working Day

## Q

**QM** Quarter Master

**QS** Quarantine Station

## R

**RCC** Rescue Coordination Centre

**RCDS** Raster Chart Display System

**RDC** Run Down Clause

**RDF** Radio Direction Finder

**REC** Spain's Special Register of Vessels of the Canary Islands

**RECD** Received

**RED** Rate, Extras, Demurrage

**REDEL** Redelivery

**RF** Range Finder

Radio Frequency

**RH** Relative Humidity

Right Hand

**RINA** Registro Italiano Navale (Italian Classification Society)

Royal Institute of Naval Architects

**RINA** Registro Internacional Naval SARL (Portuguese)

**RLS** Royal Lifeboat Society

**RMS** Root Mean Square

Royal Mail Service

**RNR** Registrul Naval Roman (Romanian Register of Shipping)



	Rate Not Reported
<b>ROB</b>	Remaining On Board
<b>ROC</b>	Restricted Operator Certificate
	Reference Our Cable
<b>RORO</b>	Roll On/Roll Off
<b>ROT</b>	Reference Our Telex
<b>ROV</b>	Remotely Operated Vehicle
<b>RPC</b>	Remote Position Control
<b>RPF</b>	Radio Position Finding
<b>RPM</b>	Revolution Per Minute
<b>RPS</b>	Revolution Per Second
<b>RPT</b>	Repeat
<b>RS</b>	Russian Maritime Register of Shipping
	Radio Station
<b>R/T</b>	Revenue Ton
<b>RT</b>	Radio Telephone
<b>RTN</b>	Return
<b>RTW</b>	Round The World
<b>R/V</b>	Round Voyage
<b>RVP</b>	Reid Vapour Pressure
<b>RVT</b>	Revert
<b>RVTG</b>	Reverting
<b>RX</b>	Receiver
<b>RYC</b>	Reference Your Cable
<b>RYT</b>	Reference Your Telex

## S

<b>S&amp;P</b>	Sale & Purchase
<b>SAFCON</b>	Cargo Ship Safety Construction Certificate
<b>SANR</b>	Subject to Approval, No Risk
<b>SAR</b>	Search And Rescue
<b>SARSAT</b>	Search And Rescue Satellite System
<b>SART</b>	Search And Rescue Radar Transponder
<b>SATCOM</b>	Satellite Communications
<b>SB</b>	Safe Berth
<b>SBM</b>	Single Buoy Mooring
<b>SBS</b>	Surveyed Before Shipment
<b>SBT</b>	Segregated Ballast Tank



<b>SC</b>	Salvage Charges
	Short Circuit
<b>SCNT</b>	Suez Canal Nett Tonnage
<b>SD</b>	Sailing Date
	Short Delivery
	Standard Design
	Single Decker
<b>SDR</b>	Special Drawing Rights
<b>SF</b>	Safety Factor
	Stowage Factor
	Shear Force
<b>SG</b>	Specific Gravity
<b>SHEX</b>	Sundays, Holidays Excluded
<b>SHINC</b>	Sundays, Holidays Included
<b>SHP</b>	Shaft Horse Power
<b>SIGTTO</b>	Society of International Gas Tanker and Terminal Operators
<b>SLA</b>	Single Line Approach
<b>SMC</b>	Safety Management Certificate
<b>SMS</b>	Safety Management System
<b>S/N</b>	Shipping Note
<b>SNST</b>	Soonest
<b>S/O</b>	Shipping Order
<b>SOC</b>	Shipper Owned Carrier
<b>SOF</b>	Statement Of Facts
<b>SOFAR</b>	Sound Fixing And Ranging
<b>SOL</b>	Shipowner's Liability
<b>SOLAS</b>	The International Convention for the Safety Of Life At Sea
<b>SONAR</b>	Sound Operation Navigation And Range
<b>SOPEP</b>	Ship and Shore Oil Pollution Emergency Plan
<b>SP</b>	Safe Port
<b>SPC</b>	Self-Polishing Copolymers
<b>SPD</b>	Steamer Pays Dues
<b>SPM</b>	Single Point Mooring
<b>SRL</b>	Ship Repairer's Liability
<b>SS</b>	Special Survey
	Steam Ship
<b>SSB</b>	Single Side Band
<b>SSHEX</b>	Saturdays, Sundays, Holidays Excluded



<b>SSHINC</b>	Saturdays, Sundays, Holidays Included
<b>SSN</b>	Standard Shipping Note
<b>SSO</b>	Ship Security Officer
<b>SSW</b>	Summer Salt Water
<b>ST</b>	Short Ton
	Standard Time
<b>STBY</b>	Standby
<b>STC</b>	Said To Contain
<b>STCW</b>	Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (convention)
<b>STD</b>	Standard
<b>STEL</b>	Short Term Exposure Limit
<b>STL</b>	Submerged Turret Loading
<b>SWAD</b>	Salt Water Arrival Draught
<b>SWASH</b>	Small Waterplane Area Single Hull
<b>SWATH</b>	Small Waterplane Area Twin Hull
<b>SWBM</b>	Still Water Bending Moment
<b>SWDD</b>	Salt Water Departure Draught
<b>SWL</b>	Safe Working Load

## T

<b>T&amp;P</b>	Theft & Pilferage
<b>T&amp;S</b>	Touch & Stay
<b>TBA</b>	To Be Advised
	To Be Agreed
	To Be Announced
	Tertiary Butyl Alcohol
<b>TBN</b>	To Be Named
	To Be Nominated
	Total Base Number
<b>TBO</b>	Time Between Overhauls
<b>TBS</b>	Talk Between Ships
<b>T/C</b>	Time Charter
<b>TC</b>	Time Charter
	Till Countermanded
	Time Closing
	Temperature Coefficient
<b>TCE</b>	Time Charter Equivalent
<b>TCP</b>	Time Charter Party



<b>TCT</b>	Time Charter Trip
<b>TD</b>	Tween Deck
	Temporarily Discontinued
<b>TDC</b>	Top Dead Centre
<b>TDW</b>	Total Deadweight
	Tonnes Deadweight
<b>TDWAT</b>	Total Deadweight All Told
	Tonnage Deadweight All Told
<b>TE</b>	Temporarily Extinguished
<b>TEU</b>	Twenty-foot Equivalent Unit
<b>TF</b>	Tropical Freshwater (loadline)
<b>T&amp;G</b>	Tongued & Grooved (timber)
<b>THC</b>	Terminal Handling Charges
<b>TIP</b>	Taking Inward Pilot
<b>TL</b>	Total Load
	Total Loss
<b>TLO</b>	Total Loss Only
<b>TLX</b>	Telex
<b>TM</b>	Technical Manual
<b>T/O</b>	Transfer Order
<b>TOFC</b>	Trailer on Flat Car
<b>TOP</b>	Taking Outbound Pilot
<b>TOTOCOM</b>	Total Commission
<b>TOVALOP</b>	Tanker Owners` Voluntary Agreement Concerning Liability for Oil Pollution
<b>TPC</b>	Tons Per Centimetre (immersion)
<b>TPD</b>	Tons Per Day
<b>TPI</b>	Tons Per Inch
<b>TPT</b>	Transport
<b>TR</b>	Ton Registered
<b>TRND</b>	To Be Renamed
<b>TS</b>	Thunderstorm
	Tropical Storm
<b>TSA</b>	Transpacific Stabilisation Agreement
<b>TSCF</b>	Tanker Structure Co-operative Forum
<b>TST</b>	Topside Tank
<b>TT</b>	Turbine Tanker
	Transit Time
<b>T/T</b>	Telegraphic Transfer



<b>TVP</b>	True Vapour Pressure
<b>TW</b>	Typhoon Warning
<b>TWA</b>	Time Weighted Average
<b>TWRA</b>	Transpacific West-bound Rate Agreement

## U

<b>UBC</b>	Universal Bulk Carrier
<b>UCAE</b>	Unforeseen Circumstances Always Expected
<b>UCT</b>	Universal Co-ordinated Time
<b>UFL</b>	Upper Flammable Limit
<b>UHF</b>	Ultra High Frequency
<b>UKC</b>	UK - Continent
	Under Keel Clearance
<b>ULCC</b>	Ultra Large Crude Carrier
<b>ULCS</b>	Ultra Large Containership
<b>UMS</b>	Unmanned Machinery Space
<b>UNCTAD</b>	United Nation's Conference On Trade And Development
<b>USAC</b>	United States Atlantic Coast
<b>USC</b>	Unless Sooner Commenced
<b>USCG</b>	United States Coast Guard
<b>USEC</b>	United States East Coast
<b>USG</b>	United States Gulf
<b>USNH</b>	United States North of Cape Hatteras
<b>USSH</b>	United States South of Cape Hatteras
<b>USWC</b>	United States West Coast
<b>UT</b>	Universal Time
<b>UU</b>	Unless Used
<b>UIIWCTAUTC</b>	Unless Used In Which Case Time Actually Used To Count

## V

<b>VA</b>	Volt-Ampere
<b>VATOS</b>	Valid At Time Of Sale
<b>V/C</b>	Voyage Charter
	Vehicle Container
<b>VDR</b>	Voyage Data Recorder
<b>VEC</b>	Vapour Emission Control
<b>VHF</b>	Very High Frequency
<b>VIOS</b>	Vessel Insurance and Operations Surcharge



<b>VLCC</b>	Very Large Crude Carrier
<b>VLF</b>	Very Low Frequency
<b>VOCC</b>	Vessel Operating Common Carrier
<b>VOP</b>	Value as in Original Policy
<b>VOY</b>	Voyage
<b>VPD</b>	Vessel Pays Dues
<b>VSL</b>	Vessel

## W

<b>W</b>	Winter (loadline)
	West
<b>WA</b>	With Average
<b>W/B</b>	Waybill
<b>WBA</b>	When Berth Available
<b>WBT</b>	Water Ballast Tank
<b>WCCON</b>	Whether Cleared Customs Or Not
<b>WCSA</b>	West Coast South America
<b>WD</b>	Wind Direction
<b>WECM</b>	Warranted Existing Class Maintained
<b>WEF</b>	With Effect From
<b>WFA</b>	With Following Alterations
<b>WI</b>	West Indies
<b>WIBON</b>	Whether In Berth Or Not
<b>WICCON</b>	Whether In Customs Clearance Or Not
<b>WIFPON</b>	Whether In Free Pratique Or Not
<b>WIG</b>	Wing-In-Ground (effect craft)
<b>WIPON</b>	Whether In Port Or Not
<b>WL</b>	Water Line
<b>WLOH</b>	Within Local Office Hours
<b>WLTOHC</b>	Waterline To Hatch Coaming
<b>W/M</b>	Weight or Measurement
<b>W&amp;M</b>	War & Marine
<b>WMO</b>	World Meteorological Organisation
<b>WNA</b>	Winter North Atlantic (loadline)
<b>WOG</b>	Without Guidance
	Without Guarantee
<b>WP</b>	Weather Permitting
<b>W/P</b>	Without Prejudice



<b>WPA</b>	With Particular Average
<b>WRIC</b>	Wire Rods In Coils
<b>WRO</b>	War Risk Only
<b>WS</b>	World Scale
<b>WT</b>	Wing Tank
	Watertight
	War Time
<b>WTS</b>	Working Time Saved
<b>WTSBE</b>	Working Time Saved Both Ends
<b>WVNS</b>	Within Vessel's Natural Segregation
<b>WWD</b>	Weather Working Days
<b>WWDSHEx</b>	Weather Working Days, Sundays and Holidays Excepted
<b>WWR</b>	When Where Ready
<b>WWRCD</b>	When Where Ready on Completion of Discharge
<b>WWW</b>	World Weather Watch
<b>WWWW</b>	WIBON, WCCON, WIFPON, WIPON
<b>WX</b>	Weather Message

## Y

**YAR** York Antwerp Rules

## Z

**ZST** Zone Standard Time

**ZT** Zone Time

