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BOAT REGISTRATION (YACHT) (AMENDMENT) RULES, 2023

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BOAT REGISTRATION ACT

(CHAPTER 277)

BOAT REGISTRATION (YACHT) (AMENDMENT) RULES, 2023

The Minister, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 21 of the Boat Registration Act (*Ch. 277*) hereby makes the following rules—

1. Citation and commencement..

- (1) These Rules, which amend the Boat Registration (Yacht) Rules, may be cited as the Boat Registration (Yacht) (Amendment) Rules, 2023.
- (2) These Rules shall come into force on the 1st day of July, 2023.

2. Amendment of rule 3 of the principal Rules.

Rule 3 of the principal Rules is amended —

- (a) by the deletion of paragraph (2) and the substitution as follows—
“(2) A permit issued under paragraph (1) shall be in Form 2 of the *First Schedule* and shall expire on 31st December of the year in which it is issued unless sooner revoked.”.
- (b) by the deletion of paragraph (3).

3. Insertion of new rules 4A and 4B into the principal Rules.

The principal Rules is amended by the insertion of new rules 4A and 4B into the principal Rules as follows—

“4A. Inspection.

- (1) Every motor boat before being granted a permit under these Rules shall, together with the machinery, sail, gear, fixtures, equipment, apparel and appurtenances used therewith, be submitted for the inspection of the New Providence Port Authority, and the New Providence Port Authority shall decide whether such boat is fit and proper to be granted a permit, and as long as the permit is renewed an inspection shall take place annually.
- (2) Where any alteration affecting the terms of the permit or the safety of such boat is made to any boat which has been granted a permit under these Rules, or to any machinery, sail, gear, fixtures, equipment, apparel or appurtenances thereof, such boat shall within fourteen days of the making of such

alteration be submitted for the inspection of the Port Authority.

- (3) The owner of the boat shall pay the fee specified in the *Second Schedule* for the inspection.

4B. Master's Licence.

- (1) The New Providence Port Authority may grant a licence to a master and the licence shall contain such conditions and restrictions as the New Providence Port Authority may determine.
- (2) The New Providence Port Authority may at any time on good cause being shown and after a licensed master, has had an opportunity to explain any complaint against him before the Authority, cancel a licence, or impose conditions and restrictions in respect thereof.
- (3) The licence granted to a master under these Rules shall be granted or renewed for a period not exceeding one year and ending on the thirty-first day of December.
- (4) The fee for a licence or a duplicate of the licence certificate are set out in the *Second Schedule*.”.

4. Amendment of rule 6 of the principal Rules.

Rule 6 of the principal Rules is amended in paragraph (3) by deletion of the words “Form 4”, and by substitution of the words “Form 3”.

5. Amendment of rule 7 of the principal Rules.

Rule 7 of the principal Rules is amended by insertion immediately after paragraph (3) of the following new paragraph –

- “(4) Any person required by section 4 of the Act to have a permit who shall omit to have such permit is guilty of an offence punishable on summary conviction by imprisonment of not less than one year or by a fine of not less than five thousand dollars and not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars or to both such imprisonment and fine.”.

6. Amendment of the First Schedule to principal Rules

The *First Schedule* to the principal Rules is amended—

- (a) in Form 1, by the deletion of the words “shall not exceed five thousand dollars” and the substitution of the words “shall be not less than one thousand dollars and not exceeding five thousand dollars”;
- (b) in Form 2, by the deletion of the words “shall not exceed five thousand dollars” and the substitution of the words “shall be not

less than one thousand dollars and not exceeding five thousand dollars”;

- (c) by the repeal of Form 3.
- (d) in Form 4—
 - (i) by the deletion of the heading “FORM 4” and substitution of the heading “FORM 3”
 - (ii) by the deletion of the words “ shall not exceed five thousand dollars” and the substitution of the words “ shall be not less than one thousand dollars and not exceeding five thousand dollars”.

7. Repeal and replacement of the Second Schedule to principal Rules.

The *Second Schedule* to the principal Rules is repealed and replaced as follows

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SECOND SCHEDULE
(rules 4, 4A, 4B)

FEEs IN RESPECT OF PERMIT, INSPECTION AND LICENCE

(a)	Application for an Annual Permit	\$100.00
(b)	Annual Permit for a Boat –	
	(i) Under 19 feet	\$200.00
	(ii) 20 feet to 39 feet	\$700.00
	(iii) 40 feet to 49 feet	\$1,650.00
	(iv) 50 feet to 59 feet	\$2,300.00
	(v) 60 feet to 79 feet	\$3,000.00
	(vi) 80 feet to 99 feet	\$3,800.00
	(vii) 100 feet to 199 feet	\$5,000.00
	(viii) 200 feet and over	\$8,000.00
(c)	Annual Boat Inspection Fees –	
	(i) Under 40 feet	\$100.00
	(ii) 40 feet to 49 feet	\$150.00
	(iii) 50 feet to 59 feet	\$200.00
	(iv) 60 feet to 79 feet	\$300.00
	(v) 80 feet to 99 feet	\$400.00

(vi)	100 feet to 199 feet	\$500.00
(vii)	200 feet and over	\$750.00
(d)	Annual Master's Licence Fee – A Class	\$300.00
(e)	Duplicate Licence fee	\$100.00”.

Made this 31st day of May, 2023.

**Signed
JOBETH COLEBY-DAVIS
Minister responsible for Boat Registration**