



Frequently Asked Questions - BFT CRRF application form

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- 1. Do I have to register my vessel with the UK Ships Register (UKSR) or is my SCV2 certificate sufficient?** All applicants' vessels must be registered and a copy of the certificate of registry must accompany the application. If the vessel is certified for chartered angling trips a copy of the SCV2 certificate must also be provided with the application.
- 2. Can I request an extension to my application deadline because of the requirement to register my vessel with UKSR?** In March we published news about the UKSR requirements, to allow fishers to prepare. To be able to open up the fishery to the permitted vessels in August, we do not expect to be in a position to allow extensions to the application deadline set.
- 3. What vessel markings are required?** We would advise that you consult with the UKSR, details can be found here: <https://ukshipregister.co.uk/contact> However as a guide please see below.

Part 1 Registration – This requires Name, Official Number and Port. This must be displayed in accordance with the carving and marking note/survey. There is also a requirement for these details to be displayed on a plate inside the vessel.

Part 2 registration – This will be existing fishing vessels which will already have their Name and Port Letter/Number signed off by a surveyor.

Part 3 registration – This requires vessel name and Small Ship Register Number (e.g. SSR123456) – this is the official number provided on the certificate of registry. This should be displayed on the outside of the hull and be clearly legible.

There is no legal requirement on font size or placement, however we would recommend that this is similar to a vehicle registration plate size and presented on both sides of the vessel and the transom/stern. Part 3 registration vessels do not have a port of registration, but they can put their home port on if they wish.

- 4. It is difficult for me to photograph both the whole vessel and the external registration marking on the hull in a photo, what is acceptable?** The priority here is to submit a photograph that clearly shows the vessel's external registration marking. If you are able to capture the whole vessel within the photograph then this is ideal, but not compulsory.



5. Which category should I select in my application? I have worked on a CHART programme but intend to skipper a different vessel that was not involved in CHART. I do not own this vessel.

To be eligible, applications must be completed by the owner of the intended vessel.

Unless the charter owner owned or skippered a vessel that participated in a UK CHART programme (1a/Priority 1), or participated in a UK CHART programme as crew (1b/Priority 2), the owner should select 1c/Priority 3, 'Any other charter vessel owned by an individual who does not meet the requirements of category 1a or 1b.'