The Merchant Shipping Registration Act 1991¹ requires owners of vessels of 24 metres in length or more to be either resident in the Isle of Man or if not resident, to appoint a Representative Person.

A Representative Person may be an individual resident in the Isle of Man or a body corporate incorporated in the Island and having its principal place of business there.

2. The Department must be kept informed of all changes Representative person including changes in names, addresses and new appointments.

3. The Representative Person should be guided by Registry Advice Note number 15.

REQUIREMENTS
The function of a Representative Person as set out in the 1991 Registration Act is to enable the Department to serve the following documents in relation to a ship for which they are appointed:

- Notice of the Department’s intention to de-register a ship; and
- Papers for the purpose of the institution of, or otherwise in connection with, any criminal or civil proceedings.

Official/IMO Number  
Name of Ship  
Port of Registry

The under mentioned is/are hereby appointed:

Representative Person

Full Name  
Full Address

Signature of owner (Director/Secretary) or Authorised Officer

Date  
Full Name & Signature

Company Name

I/we the undersigned, hereby agree to act as Representative Person of the above mentioned