



MARITIME AND PORT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE

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Shipping and Harbour Craft Community

**ENHANCEMENT TO ELECTRONIC PORT CLEARANCE SCHEME (EPC) -  
SUBMISSION OF SHIP STATUTORY CERTIFICATES FOR SINGAPORE  
REGISTERED SHIPS**

In line with MPA's strategic objective to review and simplify work processes, we have reviewed the EPC process for all Singapore registered ships calling at the Port of Singapore.

2 Currently, under the EPC Scheme, all shipping agents are required to submit the new or revalidated statutory certificates (the "required Statutory Certificates") for the relevant ship to One-Stop Document Centre for updating after the ship's departure.

3 With effect from 1 November 2009, Singapore registered ships will no longer be required to submit any new or revalidated statutory certificates after the ship's departure from the Port of Singapore. Agents of Singapore registered ships will however be required to check and ensure that the required Statutory Certificates are valid and to submit a declaration to this effect. Upon the submission of the declaration, the agent will be able to print the Port Clearance Certificate. All Singapore registered ships will be eligible for this "green lane" service as part of our continuous efforts to provide efficient services to our customers.

4 All shipping agents are reminded to ensure that all required Statutory Certificates are valid before submitting the declaration. Please note that under section 10(3)(b) of the MPA Act, any person who makes any statement which he knows to be false in any material particular shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or both.

5 Please contact either Ms Puva at 6325-2589 or Ms Al at 6325-2590 if you need any clarification.

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