

Annex VII to

Agreement of 1 August 2025 between the Ministry of Trade and Industry and “Recognized Organization”, hereafter referred to as RO, concerning surveys of ships registered in a Norwegian ship register.

General authorisation from the Norwegian Maritime Authority (NMA) to RO for ships registered in the Norwegian Shipbuilding Register (NSR) and which will fly a foreign flag after delivery from a Norwegian shipyard to the owner.

1. Application.

RO is hereby authorised to carry out survey, verification and certification functions on behalf of the NMA, in accordance with the Norwegian Acts and regulations mentioned below, with respect to the following ships registered in NSR, which are not yet delivered from a Norwegian yard to a foreign owner:

- Passenger ships, classed by RO and registered in NSR, unless otherwise stated.
- Cargo ships of 500 gross tonnage and over classed by RO and registered in NSR, unless otherwise stated.
- Fishing vessels classed by RO and registered in NSR, unless otherwise stated.
- Barges classed by RO and registered in NSR, unless otherwise stated.

2. Applicable standards and conditions

2.1. International instruments

All ships delegated by means of Annex VII to the Agreement, shall be constructed, built and equipped according to the relevant rules and regulations of a classification society authorized by Norway and the applicable and relevant statutory requirements contained in international instruments such as SOLAS, MARPOL, ICLL and AFS or requirements in applicable and relevant legislation adopted by competent EU-regulators and promulgated by the foreign flag state of the ship.

2.2. Survey for the issuance of statutory certificates

Ships to which Annex VII to the Agreement applies shall be surveyed for the issuance of statutory certificates by a classification society recognized both by the foreign flag state and Norway.

2.3. Request for a trading permit

The Norwegian yard identified in the NSR for the subject yard number or another competent body shall request a trading permit survey and a trading permit be issued.

3. Scope of authorisation

3.1. With respect to: Norwegian Act of 16. February 2007 No. 9 relating to Ship Safety and Security § 13 and § 43.

The control functions shall be in accordance with the Guidelines developed by the NMA and include the approval of the relevant plans so specified by the Guidelines.

3.1.1. Permit for trial runs, delivery or presentation voyages for cargo ships, passenger ships and barges.

Scope:

- Inspections in accordance with excerpts from the Norwegian Passenger and Cargo Ship Legislation, ref. Part 3.1.1 Regulations of 22 December 2014 No. 1893 on supervision and certificates for Norwegian ships and mobile offshore units § 41 subsection 1 letter d.
- Issuance of certificate.

Related to:

- Trading permit for trial runs, delivery or presentation voyages.

3.1.2. Permit for trial runs, delivery or presentation voyages for fishing vessels.

Scope:

- Inspections in accordance with excerpts from the Norwegian Fishing Vessel Legislation Regulation of June 13th. 2000 No. 660 concerning Construction, Equipment, Operation and Surveys of Fishing Vessels and Catching Vessels with greatest length 15 meters and over § 1-17.
- Issuance of certificate.

Related to:

- Trading permit for trial runs, delivery or presentation voyages.

4. Reporting

Upon the NMA's request RO shall forward all required documentation for any ship covered by this Annex to the Agreement, to the NMA. RO shall comply with reporting requirements so detailed in relevant Instructions to Class.

5. Termination

NMA may amend or revoke this authorisation at three months written notice to RO. Amendments shall be made through a new formal authorisation.

6. Other conditions

The provisions of the Agreement of 1 August 2025 between the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Fisheries and RO concerning surveys of ships registered in a Norwegian ship register shall apply to the work carried out by RO in accordance with this authorisation.

7. Entry into force

The endorsement form for this Annex is signed by the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Fisheries and the RO in connection with the signing of the Agreement of 1 August 2025 between the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Fisheries and RO concerning surveys of ships registered in a Norwegian ship register. Provided the endorsement form has been signed by the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Fisheries and the RO, this authorisation enters into force 1 August 2025.