

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Customs Act Chapter 101

Internal Revenue Commission – Customs

APPROVAL FOR A CRUISING PERMISSION Section 25(3) Customs Act

Date of Issue	Permission No.	Entry/Departure Airport	Issuing Office
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To

Ref: Application for Customs Permission

Approval is hereby granted to the Master of the following named vessel to cruise the waters of PNG subject to the conditions as attached to this document.

This approval is effective from the date indicated below and remains in force until such time as the vessel departs for overseas, in which case Customs clearance must be sought before departure, or until it is revoked or varied by the Collector of Customs.

Permission Details

Vessel Name	_____
Port of Registry and I.D. Number	_____
Commencement Date	Day_____ Month_____ Year_____
Commencement Time	_____ hrs local time (PNG)
Estimated Crew & Passenger Numbers	Crew_____ & Pax_____
Name of the Master	_____

Please Note – Any changes to your application details must be communicated in writing to Customs prior to the date of the intended voyage. Significant changes may result in Customs withdrawing the permission or altering a condition. Any additional costs will be the responsibility of the operator of the vessel.

Conditions to Apply

A full list of conditions that apply to this permission are attached to this notice of permission.

To ensure compliance with Customs and other Border related legislation the Collector may, at any time, revoke the original permission; revoke or vary a condition; or impose new conditions on an existing permission.

The operator should note that failure or refusal to comply with any condition subject to this permission constitutes an offence against the *Customs Act* for which a Court on conviction may impose a fine of not less than PGK500 and not exceeding PGK25,000.00.

The operator should be also be aware of other requirements under the *Customs Act* in relation to the vessel, its crew, passengers and cargo and the restrictions or prohibitions of goods that may be imported or exported. Heavy fines or imprisonment can apply.

Where a breach of the *Customs Act* is less serious Customs may impose an administrative penalty in lieu of prosecution action. The amount of the penalty is calculated using a sliding scale of between 20% and 100% of the minimum penalty applicable for the offence detected.

Review of this permission and attendant conditions

Redress

The Customs Act provides for an avenue of appeal to dispute a decision of a Collector. If you believe that the permission and attendant conditions have been imposed inappropriately, you may request all or part of the conditions to be withdrawn by asking for a review of the decision.

You may apply in writing to the Regional Director for the Region in which the issuing office is located, for such a review. If you remain dissatisfied at the conclusion of this review, you may appeal directly to the Commissioner-General of the Internal Revenue Commission, of which Customs is an operating Division, using the provisions of section 177 and 178 of the *Customs Act*.

Region and Issuing Office / Address
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Name of Issuing Officer	Signature	Date
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