

**[MARINA MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 86, July
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**GUIDELINES FOR THE TEMPORARY UTILIZATION OF INTER-
ISLAND VESSELS IN THE OVERSEAS TRADE/OPERATION**

Henceforth, pursuant to the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 474, the following guidelines shall govern the temporary utilization of inter-island/coastwise vessels in the overseas trade or operations:

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General Provisions

1. Only Philippine-registered vessels may be granted a special permit to temporarily operate in overseas trading;
2. ONLY THOSE VESSELS CLASSED BY GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZED CLASSIFICATION SOCIETY MAY BE GRANTED A SPECIAL PERMIT, EXCEPT WOODEN-HULLED VESSELS WHICH ARE ENGAGED IN BARTER TRADING/BORDER CROSSINGS BETWEEN THE SPECIALLY DESIGNATED POINTS IN THE SOUTHERN PROVINCES OF MINDANAO AND PALAWAN;
3. The crew of the vessel must, prior to the departure of the vessel for overseas trading, possess the necessary STCW certificates; .
4. THE VESSEL SHALL AT ALL TIMES DURING ITS OVERSEAS OPERATIONS BE UNDER THE FULL MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE FILIPINO OWNER/ OPERATOR AND MANNED COMPLETELY BY FILIPINOS;
5. Only lawful cargoes shall be carried on board the vessel and it shall be the duty and responsibility of the owner/operator to make sure that such cargoes have all necessary documents and clearance /approvals required by appropriate government agencies;
6. A vessel with passenger accommodations may be allowed to carry passengers, whether paying or non-paying, up to the maximum capacity;
7. The vessel shall, at all times during its overseas operations, have valid Philippine Coast Guard and international trading certificates and safety documents;
8. Notice of reversion to domestic trading shall be required and such reversion shall automatically revoke the special permit so granted.

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Restriction on Bareboat Chartered Vessels