

Port shall be such Officer in the Public Service of the Group as the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific from time to time appoints by writing, signed by him, and in default of such appointment shall be the British Resident Commissioner in the Group.

4. The British Resident Commissioner in the Group may from time to time, in case of the absence or intended absence from Vila or in case of the illness of the Registrar, appoint, by writing under his hand, a fit person to be the Deputy of the Registrar for the time therein mentioned; but every such appointment shall be revocable at pleasure by the said Resident Commissioner by writing under his hand.

The person so appointed shall during the continuance of his appointment have all the power and authority of the Registrar.

5. The Registrar shall have and use a seal bearing such style and device as the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific shall from time to time direct.

6. Every signature or seal affixed to any instrument purporting to be the signature or seal, as the case may be, of the Registrar, shall, for all purposes under this Order, without any proof thereof, be presumed to be genuine, and shall be taken as genuine until the contrary is proved.

7. The Registrar of Shipping at Vila shall have the same powers as any Registrar of Shipping appointed under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, and for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of the said Act and of this Order the said Registrar shall have the same powers as by the said Act are conferred for the purposes of registration and measurement on any Officer of Customs or any Officer of the Board of Trade.

8. The High Commissioner for the Western Pacific shall with regard to the performance of any act or thing relating to the registry of a Ship registered at Vila, or of any interest therein, be considered as in all respects occupying the place of the Commissioners of Customs.

9. Where it appears to the British Resident Commissioner in the Group that by reason of special circumstances it would be desirable that permission should be granted to any British Ship to pass without being previously registered from the Port of Vila to any Port within His Majesty's Dominions, the said Resident Commissioner may grant a pass accordingly, and such pass shall for the time being, and within the limits therein mentioned, have the same effect as a Certificate of Registry.

10. Fees not exceeding the amounts named in the Schedule to this Order shall be taken in respect of the matters mentioned in the same Schedule.

11. All fees authorized to be taken under this Order shall be applied to the receipts of the British Residency in the Group.

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SCHEDULE.

TABLE OF MAXIMUM FEES TO BE PAID ON THE REGISTRATION, TRANSFER, AND MORTGAGE OF SHIPS.

1. Registration.

1. On Initial Registry:—

	£	s.	d.
Vessels under 50 tons gross ...	1	0	0
Vessels 50 to 100 tons gross ...	1	10	0
Vessels 100 to 200 tons gross ...	2	0	0

with 10s. for every additional 100 tons or fraction of a 100.

2. Transfer and Mortgage.

2. On Transfer, Transmission, Registry anew, Transfer of Registry, Mortgage and transfer of Mortgage.

According to the gross tonnage represented by the ships or shares of ships transferred, &c. (e.g. the transfer of a 1/64th share in a ship of 6,400 tons to be reckoned as the transfer of 100 tons).

	£	s.	d.
Under 10 tons ...	0	2	6
10 tons and under 20 tons ...	0	5	0
20 tons and under 30 tons ...	0	7	6
30 tons and under 40 tons ...	0	10	0
40 tons and under 50 tons ...	0	12	6
50 tons and under 75 tons ...	0	15	0
75 tons and under 100 tons ...	0	17	6
100 tons and under 125 tons ...	1	0	0

and a further fee of 2s. 6d. for every additional 50 tons or part of 50 tons, up to 500 tons, after which 2s. 6d. for every 100 tons, or part of 100 tons. But the above fees shall not be payable in respect of vessels solely employed in fishing or sailing ships of under one hundred tons.

	£	s.	d.
Inspection of Register Book ...	0	1	0
For a certified copy of the particulars entered in the register book on the registry of a ship, together with a certified statement showing the ownership of the ship at the time being ...	0	1	0
For a certified copy of any declaration, or document, a copy of which is made evidence by the Act ...	0	1	0
For any other certified extract from the Register fourpence for every folio of ninety words or part of ninety words.			
Pass for ship ...	1	0	0
Alteration in register of rig or tonnage ...	0	10	0
For annexing the seal of office and signature to any document not mentioned in or otherwise provided for by this table ...	0	4	0
For measurement of tonnage as under:—			

	£	s.	d.
For a ship under 50 tons register tonnage ...	1	0	0
For a ship from 50 to 100 tons register tonnage ...	1	10	0
For a ship from 100 to 200 tons register tonnage ...	2	0	0
For a ship from 200 to 500 tons register tonnage ...	3	0	0
For a ship from 500 to 800 tons register tonnage ...	4	0	0
For a ship from 800 to 1,200 tons register tonnage ...	5	0	0
For a ship from 1,200 to 2,000 tons register tonnage ...	6	0	0
For a ship from 2,000 to 3,000 tons register tonnage ...	7	0	0
For a ship from 3,000 to 4,000 tons register tonnage ...	8	0	0
For a ship from 4,000 to 5,000 tons register tonnage ...	9	0	0
For a ship from 5,000 and upwards tons register tonnage ...	10	0	0