

Shipping

“ Maritime law in Gibraltar is based on English Admiralty rules and practice, making it ideal for registering vessels, arranging finance and enforcing maritime claims. Our specialist team is one of Gibraltar’s leading shipping practices, with particular expertise in ship arrests and registration. We also advise private clients on the legal aspects of owning private yachts, including registration in Gibraltar.”

Arrests

Gibraltar is a preferred port for ship arrests. The Gibraltar Court gives urgent attention to admiralty claims and makes the arrest and sale process quick, efficient and cost-effective.

Our dedicated and expert team (who are available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week) have experience in arresting and selling vessels on behalf of mortgage banks. The Gibraltar Courts are able to make an order for sale by “auction” or to a specified buyer at a specified price. With the latter, an order for a sale can be obtained very quickly after an arrest thus ensuring that arrest costs are kept low.

Ship registration and Finance

Ships registered in Gibraltar are “British” ships and fly the Red Ensign. Gibraltar is in the EU and so EU companies can register as the owner of a vessel. Registration of vessels in Gibraltar offers many practical and financial advantages and the firm is able to advise on all aspects of ship registration and finance including the drafting of security documentation.

Yacht registration

Gibraltar is also a popular port for the registration of private yachts. There is a yacht registry and several new marinas. We advise private clients on the legal aspects of yacht ownership, including registration and finance.

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