



MARINE BUNKER CLAIMS ONLINE SEMINAR

Aim of the Seminar:

This seminar aims to equip maritime professionals with practical knowledge and legal insight into handling bunker-related disputes. It focuses on the commercial, technical, and regulatory aspects of marine fuel supply and provides guidance on minimizing risk and resolving claims effectively.

Course Content:

1. Introduction to the Bunker Supply Market

- Overview of the global bunker supply chain
- Key players: Shipowners, Charterers, Physical Suppliers, Brokers, Traders, Barge Operators

2. Delivery Procedures and Best Practices

- Pre-delivery checks
- Procedures during delivery
- Post-delivery documentation and verification

3. Legal and Regulatory Framework

- Compliance with MARPOL Annex VI and EU Sulphur Regulations
- Regional fuel regulations and restrictions
- Understanding safety control measures in the evolving fuel landscape

4. Evidence Collection & Documentation

- Preservation of evidence
- Importance and handling of fuel samples
- Notes of protest and their legal implications

5. Charterparty Implications

- Ownership and title in bunkers
- Quality and quantity disputes
- Legal principles: fit for purpose, causation, mitigation

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6. Claims Handling & Insurance Aspects

- Bunker claims process
- The role of P&I Clubs in bunker disputes

7. Case Studies

- Analysis of “bad bunker” claims from both Owner and Charterer perspectives
- Mitigating legal risks when purchasing bunkers; lessons from the OW Bunker collapse

8. Workshop/Interactive Session

- Real-world scenarios & Q&A

Learning Outcomes:

- ✓ Understand the roles and responsibilities of stakeholders in the bunker supply chain
- ✓ Identify key risks in bunker supply and delivery
- ✓ Implement best practices to reduce exposure to bunker claims
- ✓ Interpret and respond effectively to charterparty and bunker contract disputes
- ✓ Apply legal principles and regulatory requirements to real-world scenarios
- ✓ Understand the importance of evidence preservation and sample management
- ✓ Navigate the implications of high-profile bunker cases and recent regulatory changes

Addressed To: Shipowners, Operators, and Technical Managers, Chartering and Operations professionals, Legal and Insurance professionals, P&I Club representatives, Bunker traders and suppliers, Maritime consultants and surveyors, anyone involved in the commercial or technical management of ships

Details:

Dates: 07, 09, 14 & 16 October 2025

Hours: 19:30 - 22:00 (GMT +3)

Duration: 4 sessions | 10 hrs

Online learning: Engage in a comprehensive seminar comprised of 4 fully tutored online sessions. Upon completing your registration, you will promptly receive an email containing all essential details and links to the webinars. No specialized equipment is necessary, aside from a camera and microphone.

Fees: 400 EUR (Including tuition fees and reading materials)

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