



Legal Aspects of the Ship Sale and Purchase Online Seminar

Seminar Overview: The Sale and Purchase of Ships present various legal and practical challenges. This seminar covers the intricate mechanisms and processes involved in the sale and purchase of vessels, offering participants a comprehensive understanding of the legal aspects through practical examples and case studies.

Topics to be covered:

- ✓ Evolution of SALEFORM: From 1987 to 2012 and a comparative analysis with SHIPSALE 22
- ✓ Introduction to the latest form by BIMCO, SHIPSALE 22
- ✓ Legal definition and implications of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)
- ✓ Physical condition of the vessel; sale by description, inspections regime
- ✓ Determining the sale price: Evaluating market value, spares, exclusions, bunkers, taxes, fees, and expenses
- ✓ Sellers' obligation to deliver the vessel free from encumbrances.
- ✓ Examination of the choices of governing law and arbitration
- ✓ Overview and analysis of dispute resolution options, along with their respective pros and cons.
- ✓ Addressing scenarios of non-performance: Force Majeure, total loss, buyer's, and seller's breaches.
- ✓ Understanding the significance of the Entire Agreement clause
- ✓ Payment considerations: Including lodging the Deposit, Payment of the Purchase Price, Payment for bunkers, greases, and oils.
- ✓ Pre-delivery timetable; Initial vessel inspection, Buyers' on-board representatives, Notices, vessel location and NOR, Diver's Inspection / Drydocking, Process for measuring bunkers and identifying inventory.
- ✓ Delivery process: Including the Financial closing meeting and documentary requirements.
- ✓ Post-delivery considerations; Change of name / funnel markings, Post-delivery documentary obligations, Seller's warranties, Latent defects
- ✓ Real-life case studies exemplifying legal principles in action.
- ✓ Interactive Q&A session.

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Seminar Objectives:

- ✓ Explore the legal framework governing ship sale and purchase.
- ✓ Examine key mechanisms and processes involved in the sale and purchase of vessels.
- ✓ Examine the related contracts and clauses; MOA – legally defined.
- ✓ Get an update on the BIMCO's new form SHIPSALE 22
- ✓ Understand the rights and obligations of buyers and sellers.
- ✓ Analyze common challenges and dispute resolution options.
- ✓ Provide practical insights and strategies for successful transactions.

Who should attend:

- Shipping company personnel and ship managers seeking to deepen their understanding of the legal complexities involved in ship sale and purchase.
- Shipbrokers and marine surveyors aiming to enhance their knowledge of contractual arrangements and legal frameworks governing ship sale and purchase.
- Technical, commercial, and operations personnel who require a comprehensive overview of the legal aspects of ship sale and purchase contracts.
- Professionals in maritime insurance, law, finance, and government sectors are interested in gaining insights into the legal intricacies of ship transactions.

Details:

Dates: 02, 04, 09 & 11 December 2025

Hours: 19:30 - 21:30 (GMT +2)

Duration: 4 sessions

Fees: 450 EUR (Including tuition fees & reading material)

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