

## No. 13 OF 1933.

A.D. 1933. A LAW TO AMEND THE CYPRUS REGISTRATION OF SHIPS  
13 of 1933. LAW, 1922.

R. E. STUBBS,  
Governor.

[16th March, 1933.]

BE it enacted:—

- Short title. 1. This Law may be cited as the Cyprus Registration of Ships (Amendment) Law, 1933, and shall be read as one with the Cyprus Registration of Ships Law, 1922, (hereinafter called "the Principal Law"), and the Principal Law and this Law may together be cited as the Cyprus Registration of Ships Laws, 1922 and 1933.
- 5 of 1922.
- Amendment of section 2 of Law 5 of 1922. 2. Section 2 of the Principal Law is hereby amended by the deletion of the definition "Cyprus Corporation".
- Amendment of section 3 of Law 5 of 1922. 3. Section 3 of the Principal Law is hereby amended by the deletion of the words from "or who" to the end of the section.
- Amendment of section 7 of Law 5 of 1922. 4. Section 7 of the Principal Law is hereby amended as follows—
- (a) by the deletion of the words "in the case of individuals";
  - (b) by the deletion of the words "and in the case of Cyprus corporations by their agent".
- Amendment of section 8 of Law 5 of 1922. 5. Section 8 of the Principal Law is hereby amended as follows—
- (a) by the deletion in the first paragraph of the words "or in the case of a Cyprus corporation the secretary or other officer of the corporation authorized by them for the purpose";
  - (b) by the deletion in paragraph (i) of the words from "or in" to the end of the paragraph;
  - (c) by the deletion in paragraph (iv) of the words "or the Cyprus corporation as the case may be";
  - (d) by the insertion in paragraph (v) of the words "on oath" immediately after the word "declaration";

(e) by the insertion at the end thereof of the following proviso :—

“ Provided that the Registrar may refuse registry in any case in which he is not satisfied that no unqualified person or body of persons is entitled as owner to any legal or beneficial interest in the ship or any share therein.”

6. The Principal Law is hereby amended by the insertion immediately after section 10 of the following sections :—

“ Provision for loss of certificate.

10A.—(1) In the event of the certificate of registry of a Cyprus ship being mislaid, lost, or destroyed, the Registrar shall grant a new certificate of registry in lieu of her original certificate.

(2) If the port (having a registrar of British ships or British consular officer) at which the ship is at the time of the event, or first arrives after the event is not in Cyprus, then the master of the ship, or some other person having knowledge of the facts of the case, may make a declaration stating the facts of the case, and the names and descriptions of the registered owners of such ship to the best of the declarant's knowledge and belief, and the registrar of British ships or consular officer, as the case may be, may, with the approval of the Governor first obtained, grant a provisional certificate containing a statement of the circumstances under which it is granted.

(3) The provisional certificate shall within ten days after the first subsequent arrival of the ship at her port of discharge in Cyprus be delivered up to the Registrar and the Registrar shall thereupon grant the new certificate of registry ; and if the master without reasonable cause fails to deliver up the provisional certificate within the ten days aforesaid, he shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ten pounds.

Provisional certificate for ships becoming Cyprus owned abroad.

10B.—(1) If at a port not within Cyprus a ship becomes the property of persons qualified to own a Cyprus ship the registrar of British ships or the British consular officer there, as the case may be, may grant to her master,

New sections 10A and 10B inserted in Law 5 of 1922.

on his application and subject to the approval of the Governor first obtained, a provisional certificate stating—

- (a) the name of the ship ;
- (b) the time and place of her purchase, and the names of her purchasers ;
- (c) the name of her master ; and
- (d) the best particulars respecting her tonnage, build and description which he is able to obtain,

and shall forward a copy of the certificate to the Registrar at the first convenient opportunity.

(2) Such a provisional certificate shall have the effect of registry until the expiration of six months from its date, or until the ship's arrival in Cyprus (whichever first happens) and on either of these events happening shall cease to have effect."

Amendment of section 11 of Law 5 of 1922.

7. Section 11 of the Principal Law is hereby amended as follows—

- (a) by the deletion of the words "registered under this Law belonging to any person who is or has become a British subject or to a Cyprus corporation" and by the substitution therefor of the words "owned wholly by persons who have received certificates of British nationality under the provisions of the Cyprus (Annexation) Orders in Council, 1914 and 1917";
- (b) by the deletion of the words "or Cyprus corporation as in this section mentioned".

Amendment of section 12 of Law 5 of 1922.

8. Section 12 of the Principal Law is hereby amended by the deletion of the words "without having previously received a Cyprus certificate of registry in the form in the Schedule hereto" and by the substitution therefor of the words "unless she is registered or exempted from registry under this Law".

Repeal of section 13 of Law 5 of 1922 and substitution of new section.

9. Section 13 of the Principal Law is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor:—

"Restriction upon grant of certificate of registry.

13. No person who is qualified to be an owner of a British ship under section 1 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, shall be granted a certificate of registry under this Law."

10.—(1) In any case in which a certificate of registry under the Principal Law has been granted to a person or a Cyprus corporation who by virtue of this Law is no longer qualified to be the owner of a Cyprus ship such person or the secretary of such corporation shall within one month from the date of commencement of this Law give notice thereof to the Registrar and shall within two months from the date of commencement of this Law cause the certificate of registry to be delivered up to the Registrar.

Procedure  
where ship  
ceases to be a  
Cyprus ship

(2) The Registrar shall upon receipt of such notice as aforesaid make an entry thereof in the Register Book and the registry of the ship in the Register Book shall be considered as closed, except so far as relates to any unsatisfied mortgage or existing certificates of mortgage entered therein:

Provided that if any such ship is thereupon registered as a British ship at the port of Larnaca, the fee charged for registry under the Principal Law shall be refunded.

(3) Any such person or secretary who fails without reasonable cause to comply with the provisions of sub-section (1) hereof shall for each offence be liable to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds.

(4) In any case in which the Registrar shall be of opinion that any person or Cyprus corporation to whom a certificate of registry has been granted under the Principal Law, is no longer qualified by virtue of this Law to be the owner of a Cyprus ship he may, notwithstanding that such person or Cyprus corporation has not complied with the provisions of sub-section (1) hereof, call upon such person or Cyprus corporation to show cause why the registry of the ship in respect of which such certificate of registry was granted should not be closed, and if within one month from the date thereof, such person or Cyprus corporation fails to show cause to the satisfaction of the Registrar, the Registrar shall make an entry of failure to show cause and thereupon the registry of the ship in the Register Book shall be considered as closed except so far as relates to any unsatisfied mortgage or existing certificates of mortgage entered therein.

*This Law came into operation on 17th March, 1933.*