

Ship Agency Business Setup Guide

Maritime, Shipping & Ports

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This guide explains what the tool produces, how to use the output, and what to watch for. The actual output (draft/report) is generated on the tool page.

Background

Produces a setup plan for a ship agency — port permissions, principal relationships, port-call handling capability, disbursement and systems. Use it as the playbook to build a ship agency, a lower-capital maritime entry.

Purpose of this tool & output

Start a ship / port agency business

How the output is used

Use it to start a ship or port agency business — the setup, port relationships, systems and approvals an agency needs.

Important cautions

Ship agency is relationship- and service-led and lower-capital but needs working capital to advance port disbursements and strong compliance and funds handling. Confirm port permissions and manage disbursement funding and principal terms carefully.

Companion documents

- Ship Agency Operations SOP
- Port Disbursement & Husbandry Guide
- Ship Broking Business Guide
- Chartering & Charter Party Guide
- Laytime & Demurrage Calculator Guide
- Freight & Charter Negotiation Guide

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