

Shipbuilding / Boat Building Contract

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

Drafts a shipbuilding or boat-building contract framework from discrete terms — specification, price and stage payments, delivery, class, guarantees and refund. Use it as a structured starting point for a construction contract, for specialist review.

Purpose of this tool & output

Draft a newbuild construction contract

How the output is used

Use the draft for a newbuild construction contract — specification, price, milestones, delivery, penalties and warranty — reviewed by a lawyer.

Who receives it

The agreement is between the buyer/owner and the shipyard; each keeps a signed copy.

Fees & charges

Stamp duty on the contract value per your state stamp act; the milestone-payment and penalty terms are the key content.

Who should vet it

A shipping lawyer, to check the specification, milestone-payment, delay-penalty and warranty clauses before signing.

Important cautions

A draft framework, not legal advice; shipbuilding contracts involve stage payments, refund guarantees, performance guarantees and class and are high-value and complex. Engage specialist maritime legal and technical counsel before signing.

Companion documents

- Charter Party (Voyage / Time)
- Bareboat / Demise Charter Agreement
- Ship Agency Agreement
- Stevedoring / Handling Agreement
- Ship Management Agreement
- Seafarer Employment Agreement (SEA)

This is AI-assisted guidance. Verify with a qualified professional before any binding decision. Fees, authorities and processes vary by state and change over time — confirm with your state authority.