

## AQUATIC RESOURCES AUTHORITY OF PANAMA INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES AFFAIRS

### Technical Circular 019 - 2021

<b>For:</b>	Shipowners, Masters and Resident Agents
<b>On Behalf:</b>	Directorate of Technical Cooperation and International Fisheries Affairs
<b>Subject:</b>	Procedures Manual for the Issuance of the Letter of No Objection
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The Aquatic Resources Authority of Panama informs Shipowners, Masters and Resident Agents that, by Resolution ADM/ARAP N°003 of January 13, 2021, which adopts the document entitled "Procedures Manual for the Issuance of the Letter of No Objection for the registration of vessels before the Panama Maritime Authority (AMP), 2021".

The Procedural Manual for the Issuance of the Letter of No Objection, attached to this circular, contains the steps to be followed and the necessary requirements for the User to submit the aforementioned No Objection request to the One-Stop Shop of this Authority.

That the issuance of the Letter of No Objection has the purpose of informing the General Directorate of Merchant Marine of the AMP, the conformity of this Authority for the entry into the Panamanian registry of fishing vessels and fishing related activities, once analyzed and accepted only those vessels that have not incurred or are not linked to Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated fishing activities.

#### ✓ **Important and Mandatory**

In accordance with the above, it is necessary that the owners and resident agents of fishing vessels and activities related to international service fishing who choose to obtain a Letter of No Objection before this Authority, comply with the following points to be considered:

1. The application of what is indicated in the Procedures Manual for the Issuance of the Letter of No Objection for a better control and follow-up of the User's requests.
2. The presentation of the requirements established in this Procedures Manual.
3. Resolution ADM/ARAP No. 003 and the Procedures Manual for the Issuance of the Letter of No Objection are attached.

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