

Important Notice - Please Read Before Completing Registration

Registration is an important facet for all Cospas-Sarsat 406 MHz Ship Security Alerting System (SSAS) beacons. Not only is it required under Federal Regulations but the information you furnish is used by the United States Coast Guard in the event of beacon activation. The registration information is an important tool to assist the Coast Guard in locating and responding to your vessel. Failure to register your SSAS beacon may delay a timely response.

There is no charge for registering an SSAS beacon. This is a service provided by the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

All online registrations will be entered into the National 406 MHz Beacon Registration Database on the same day of entry. Registration forms received via postal mail service will be entered within 2 business days of receipt. For online registrations, a confirmation letter with your completed registration information form will be sent immediately via e-mail or fax (if provided). Confirmation letters sent via postal mail should arrive within two weeks. Once your registration confirmation is received, please review all information. Any changes or updates to your registration information can be done via the internet, fax, e-mail or postal mail. If you do not receive your registration confirmation from NOAA on the same day you submit it over the internet or within two weeks if you submit it by postal mail, please call NOAA toll-free at: 1-888-212-SAVE (7283) or 301-817-4515 for assistance.

After initial registration (or re-registration) you will receive a NOAA Proof of Registration Decal by postal mail. This decal is **not** to be affixed to the SSAS beacon. Instead, the decal is required to be maintained in the SSAS Annex to the Vessel Security Plan. For those vessels not required to maintain a Vessel Security Plan, please keep the decal on board along with your vessel's registration documentation. If for some reason you do not receive the registration decal within two weeks, please call NOAA toll-free at: 1-888-212-SAVE (7283) or 301-817-4515 for assistance.

Failure to register, re-register (as required every two years), or to notify NOAA of any changes to the status of your SSAS beacon could result in penalties and/or fines being issued. The owner or user of the SSAS beacon is required to notify NOAA of any changes to the registration information at any time. By submitting this registration the owner, operator, or legally authorized agent declares under penalty of law that all information in this registration information is true, accurate, and complete. Providing information that is knowingly false or inaccurate may be punishable under Federal Statutes. Solicitation of this information is authorized by Title 47, Part 80 of the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and the U.S. Office of Management & Budget (OMB) Control Number: 0648-0295. Additional registration forms can be found on the NOAA-SARSAT website at: www.sarsat.noaa.gov or at: www.beaconregistration.noaa.gov.

Please note, NOAA will complement or update your registration information if your registration is outdated and credible information is provided from other sources. NOAA will also seek information from other databases to update and/or complement the existing information for an expired SSAS registration.

Although the information provided will become a matter of public record, there is no intent to circulate the data furnished beyond its intended purpose, i.e., to assist the Coast Guard in carrying out its mission. Public reporting burden for the collection of this information is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden should be sent to:

NOAA/SARSAT
NSOF, E/SP3
4231 Suitland Road
Suitland, MD 20746

Or call: 1-888-212-SAVE (7283) or 301-817-4515

Finally, false alerts are a significant concern to NOAA and the Coast Guard. We ask that you carefully refer to the SSAS beacon user manual for instructions on properly operating, installing, testing, and when performing required maintenance. We find that these are important factors in reducing the number of false alerts. ***Please use the utmost care at all times!***