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|  U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITYU.S. COAST GUARD | SHIPPING ARTICLES (cg-705a) | OMB No. 1625-0006Exp: 10/31/2011 |
| **Who must comply?** | U.S. vessels and seagoing barges of 100 gross tons or more on a voyage between a port in the U.S. and a port in a foreign country (except a port in Canada, Mexico, or the West Indies); or of 75 gross tons or more on a voyage between a port of the United States on the Atlantic Ocean and a port of the United States on the Pacific Ocean; or of 50 gross tons or more on a voyage between a port in one State and a port in another State other than an adjoining State. |
| **What is this collection about?** | The information collected provides a measure for the protection and relief of merchant seamen by requiring a contractual obligation between the master who represents the vessel owner’s interest and the seamen who are engaged or employed on board a vessel, by requiring certain standards to ensure compliance with laws related to manning and the engagement and discharge of seamen.  |
| **Where do I find the requirements for this information?** | Title 46 United States Code § 10302 & 10502Title 46 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 14, available at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/cfr-table-search.html> * For voyages for which shipping articles are required see 46 CFR 14.201
* For content and form of shipping articles see 46 CFR 14.207
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| **When must information be submitted?** | Original Shipping Articles must be submitted by applicable shipping company 3 years after the article was generated; or submitted by shipping companies that go out of business or merges with another company; or upon request by the Coast Guard. |
| **How is the information submitted?** | Information is submitted as per 46 CFR 14.313. Shipping articles are alphabetized by vessel name and sent to U.S. Coast Guard National Maritime Center (NMC-42), 100 Forbes Drive, Martinsburg, West Virginia 25404.  |
| **What happens after providing all required documentation/ information?** | Upon receipt and acceptance, shipping articles are transferred and archived at the Federal Records Center in Suitland, Maryland.  |
| **For additional information, contact--** | U.S. Coast Guard National Maritime Center (NMC-41) at 304-433-3472.  |