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**Ministry of Agriculture,  
Forestry and Fisheries**

No. 025 PK MAFF

**PRAKAS (PROCLAMATION)**  
on  
Technical Requirements of Fishing Vessel Management

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Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

- Having seen the Constitution of the Kingdom of Cambodia;
- Having seen the Royal Decree No. NS/RKT/0908/1055, dated 25 September 2008 on the Appointment of the Royal Government of Cambodia;
- Having seen the Royal Kram No. 02/NS/94, dated 20 July 1994, promulgating the Law on the Organization and Functioning of the Council of Ministers;
- Having seen the Royal Kram No. NS/RKM/0196/13, dated 24 January 1996, promulgating the Law on Establishment of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries;
- Having seen the Royal Kram No. NS/RKM/0506/011, dated 21 May 2006, promulgating the Law on Fisheries;
- Having seen the Sub-Decree No. 17 OrNKR.BK, dated 07 April 2000 on the Organization and Functioning of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries;
- Having seen the Sub-Decree No. 188 OrNKR.BK, dated 14 November 2008 on Re-arrangement of the Directorate General within the Ministry into Secretariat General, Promotion of the Forestry Administration and the Fisheries Administration to have equal rank to Directorate General, Promotion of Department of Agronomy and Agricultural Land Improvement to be Directorate General of Agriculture, and Re-arrangement of Directorate General of Rubber Plantation to be Directorate General of Rubber under the Management of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries;
- In response to the Request made by the Delegate of the Royal Government of Cambodia in charge of Director General of the Fisheries Administration

**HEREBY DECIDES**

Article 1: This Prakas aims to define the technical requirements of fishing vessel management to properly manage fishing vessels operating fishing businesses within the fishery domains in the Kingdom of Cambodia and to ensure safety, well-being, sanitation, environment, security, waterway orderliness, and protection of lives of fishermen and their companions, belongings and means of fishing operation for business purposes.

Article 2: All categories of fishing vessel with loading capacity of over 500 kilograms involved in fishing businesses in the water domains of the Kingdom of Cambodia shall comply with the technical requirements of fishing vessel management to ensure safety, waterway orderliness and the lives of fishermen.

Article 3: All fishing vessels, as stated in Article 2, operating fishing businesses in fishery domains shall meet the technical and fishing requirements as follows:

A. The technical requirements of fishing vessel include:

1. Flying flag of the Kingdom of Cambodia;
2. Identification number plate, indication lights, identification signs;
3. Radio communication units, fire extinguisher, life buoys, rescue buoys, life jackets, binoculars, compass or GPS, first-aid box, beams for navigations, emergency lights, horn or bell;
4. Hull and engine with good quality and safety suitable for fishing operations;
5. Bins for proper storage of waste and used engine oil which are securely dumped at the assigned place; and
6. Identification colours marked on the side of the vessel according to the city/province as follows:

No.	City/Province	Identification color
1	Phnom Penh	White
2	Kandal	Red
3	Takeo	Blue
4	Prey Veng	Green
5	Kampong Cham	Yellow
6	Kratie	Grey
7	Steung Treng	Sky blue
8	Kampong Thom	Pink
9	Siem Reap	Dark red
10	Banteay Meanchey	Light blue
11	Battambang	Silver
12	Porsat	Purple
13	Kampong Chhnang	Dark yellow
14	Kampot	Red
15	Kep	Pink
16	Shihanoukville	Yellow
17	Koh Kong	White

B. Fishing requirements include:

1. Fishing vessel license and fishing logbook;
2. Logbook for daily recording of fish catch and product statistics;
3. Compliance with the requirements as stated in fishing logbook;

4. Storing of good quality and hygiene for fish catches and products;
5. Fishing with legal gear as stated in the Prakas issued by the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries; and
6. Compliance with national and international waterway requirements of the indication lights or indicators whenever docking outside defined location.

Article 4: Fishing businesspersons who build all kinds of fishing vessels and attach materials or fishing gears shall request that their vessels be registered with the Fisheries Administration with the following documents attached:

1. One application form with stamp;
2. One layout of fishing vessel;
3. One detailed list of materials; and
4. One certified copy of address

Any fishing businessperson who wishes to change vessel engines is required to request permission from the Fisheries Administration.

Article 5: a. Each fishing vessel captain shall have a navigation license issued by an authorized agency.

b. Each fishing vessel operator shall not:

1. Fish in an area affecting or blocking waterway traffic navigation;
2. Run fishing business at the undesignated location as stated in the fishing license;
3. Navigate the vessel through or conduct other activities in fishery conservation areas;
4. Fish using illegal fishing gear without permission;
5. Transport and collect endangered fishery products;
6. Transport firewood and charcoals made of all species of inundated forests and mangroves for trade or commercial purposes;
7. Catch and transport fish fries, eggs, fingerling or eggs of all aquatic animals without permission; and
8. Dock in coral reef areas without permission

Article 6: The competent fishery officials shall be notified for any vessel purchase, sale, rental, loss, accident, and change of fishery business.

Article 7: Any fishing vessel operators who violate the contents of Prakas shall be punished pursuant to the existing law.

Article 8: Prakas or decisions which are contrary to this Prakas shall be annulled.

Article 9: Secretary General, Inspector General, Cabinet Chief, Department Chief of Agricultural Legislation, Department Chief of Administrative Affairs, Department Chief of Planning and Statistics, Department Chief of Accounting and Finance, and Chief of the Fisheries Administration shall be responsible for the effective implementation of this Prakas according to their respective duties from this signing date.

Phnom Penh, 18 January 2010

**Minister**  
*(signed and sealed)*

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CC:

- Ministry of Royal Palace
- Secretariat General of Senate
- Secretariat General of National Assembly
- Council of Ministers
- Cabinet of Samdech Akak Moha Sena Padei Techo Prime Minister
- Ministry of Interior
- Ministry of Economy and Finance
- Ministry of Justice
- Ministry of Public Works and Transport
- Concerned Capital and Provincial Halls
- As in Article 7 " for implementation"
- Archives-chronicles