

[WHAT IS PORT STATE CONTROL](#)

Port State control (PSC) comes into the scene when ship-owners, classification societies and flag State administrations have failed to comply with the requirements of the international maritime conventions. Although it is well understood that the ultimate responsibility for implementing conventions is left to the flag States, port States are entitled to control foreign ships visiting their own ports to ensure that any deficiencies found are rectified before they are allowed to sail. Port State control is regarded as measures complementary to the flag State control.

In recent years, the importance of port State control has been widely recognized and there has been important movement in various regions toward establishing a harmonized approach to the effective implementation of the control provisions. The followings are the Memorandum of Understanding on port State control concluded to this date.

- [Paris MOU](#) (Europe and North Atlantic Region)
- [Acuerdo de Viña del Mar](#) (Latin American Region)
- [Tokyo MOU](#) (Asia-Pacific Region)
- [Caribbean MOU](#) (Caribbean Region)
- [Mediterranean MOU](#) (Mediterranean Region)
- [Indian Ocean MOU](#) (Indian Ocean Region)
- [Abuja MOU](#) (West and Central African Region)
- [Black Sea MOU](#) (Black Sea Region)
- [Riyadh MOU](#) (The Gulf Region)

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