

e-RAV Quick Start series for CPCs: Carrier Vessels in a nutshell

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What is this guide about?

This quick start guide will give you a short overview of the high level e-RAV process regarding Carrier Vessels.

The main workflows described in this manual are:

- **Adding a Carrier Vessel to the e-RAV.**
- **Authorising a Carrier Vessel to tranship with your flagged vessels in the e-RAV.**

Each individual process overviewed here is described in details in the dedicated manual: "e-RAV Quick Start series for CPCs: Creating new vessels and updating existing vessels".

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Background

Under [Resolution 23/05 On establishing a programme for transshipment by large-scale fishing vessels](#), “IOTC Members and Cooperating non-Contracting Parties shall establish and maintain an IOTC Record of Carrier Vessels authorised to receive tuna and tuna-like species and sharks from LSTLVs in the IOTC area of competence (IOTC RCV). For the purposes of this Resolution, carrier vessels not entered on the Record are deemed not to be authorised to receive tuna and tuna-like species and sharks.”

Furthermore, the Resolution states that “Each CPC shall submit, electronically where possible, to the IOTC Executive Secretary the list of the carrier vessels that are authorised to receive transshipments from its LSTLVs in the IOTC area of competence”.

The Record of Carrier Vessels (CVs) is now integrated in the IOTC e-RAV, and CVs are declared by their Flag States using the e-RAV, just like Fishing Vessels (FVs).

This short guide will explain how you as an IOTC CPC can fulfil the obligations laid out by this Resolution.

Learn more about the ROP Transshipment Authorizations e-RAV process

You can find more details about this process, including how to revoke authorisations, in the relevant user guide, [available on the IOTC website](#).

Authorizing CVs to receive transshipments from your Fishing Vessels: global workflow

Below is the overall workflow for declaring in the e-RAV authorizations given to CVs to receive transshipments from your flagged FVs.

- STEP 1: Fill out the ROP Transshipment Authorizations bulk upload template,**
- STEP 2: Submit the completed template in the e-RAV.**
- STEP 3: The IOTC Secretariat staff will review and publish your submission**
- STEP 4: The ROP Transshipment authorizations for the relevant CVs are now available in the e-RAV.**

Authorizing CVs to receive transshipments from your Fishing Vessels: detailed workflow

Follow the workflow below:

- 1. For each CV, find out whether it is already in the e-RAV** (see how further down)
 - 1.1. **YES**, the CV already exists in the e-RAV: note its IOTC NUMBER.
 - 1.2. **NO**, the CV is not in the e-RAV: it needs to be added.
 - 1.2.1. **What flag does the CV fly?**
 - 1.2.1.1. **Your own CPC flag:** you should add the CV to the e-RAV yourself (see the guides “[Submitting vessels updates in a nutshell for CPCs](#)” and “[Submitting vessels updates for CPCs](#)”)
 - 1.2.1.2. **Another CPC flag:** you should ask the relevant CPC to add the CV to the e-RAV.
 - 1.2.1.3. **The flag of a NCP (non CPC):** you should ask the IOTC Secretariat to add the CV to the e-RAV.
 - 1.2.2. **Once the CV has been added to the e-RAV**, note its IOTC NUMBER.
- 2. Fill in the ROP Transshipment Authorization template** (see further down) with, for each CV, the information below. Note that this template can contain information about several CVs.
 - the IOTC NUMBER of the CV;
 - the type of authorized transshipment (see instructions in the template);
 - the dates of start and end of the TRX authorization.

3. Do a new e-RAV submission of type “ROP Transhipment Authorizations”, upload the above filled template and submit it.
4. Once the submission has been published by the Secretariat, the ROP TRX authorizations will appear (to CPC users only) in the “ROP Transhipment Authorizations” tab of the CV’s details page.

Finding out whether a CV is already in the e-RAV

If you already know the IOTC number of the relevant CV, it means it is in the e-RAV.

If you do not have its IOTC number, you can search for the CV using the e-RAV search tool, for example using its IMO number, name etc. (you can filter to return only CVs by adding the “Kind” query field and selecting “carrier Vessel”).

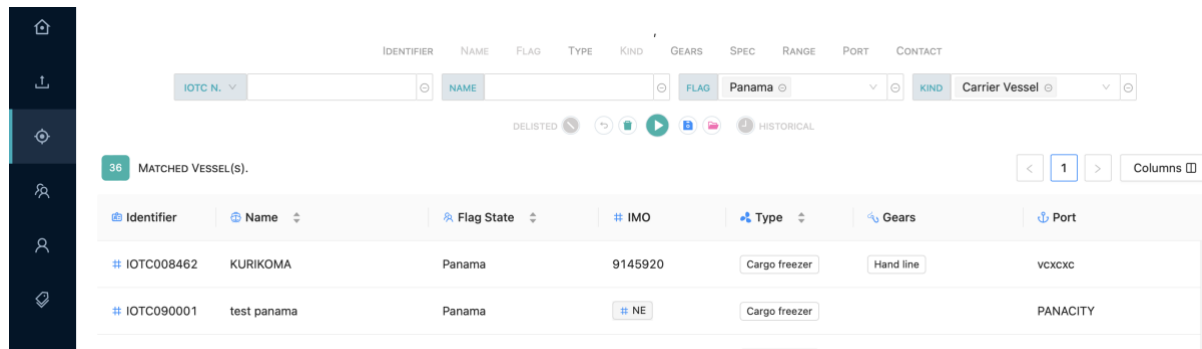


Figure 1. Example of a search for Carrier vessels flying the flag of Panama.

Filling out the ROP Transhipment Authorizations template

The ROP Transhipment Authorizations template is named “Res_22_02_-_Record_of_IOTC_CV_TRX_AUTH.xlsx” and is [available on the IOTC website](#).

The following fields **must** be provided when declaring a CV authorisation:

- **IOTC Record Number:** note the full IOTC number of the CV (e.g. IOTC008449)
- **Type of TRX authorisation:** use “sea”, “port” or “both” respectively if the CV is authorised for transhipments at sea, in port of both.
- **Authorised from:** the date on which the CV’s transhipment authorisation starts
- **Authorised to:** the date on which the CV’s transhipment authorisation end



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Updating the list of carrier vessels authorised for transhipment by flagged fishing vessels: AUTHORIZATIONS ONLY

Note: indicate the “IOTC Record Number” of the Carrier Vessels that are authorized to receive transhipments from your won flagged fishing vessels

Date of reporting:
Reporting country:

If you want to revoke an existing Transhipment authorisation, please provide its details and add “yes” in the “Revoke” column.

ALL FIELDS ARE MANDATORY (EXCEPT “Revoke”) If any of the information is not provided, the authorisation cannot be updated.					
Entry #	IOTC Record Number	Type of TRX authorisation	Authorised from	Authorised to	Revoke
1	IOTC013783	port	01/08/2024	01/09/2024	
2	IOTC017837	sea	04/09/2024	21/11/2024	
3	IOTC017186	sea	01/01/2024	31/12/2024	
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Submitting the ROP Transshipment Authorizations template

1. Log in to the e-RAV;
2. Go to the Submissions page;
3. Create a new Submission of type “ROP Transshipment Authorizations”;
4. Review your submission including any potential issue reported;
5. Submit.

The screenshot shows the 'New Submission' page in the e-RAV system. The breadcrumb trail is 'RAV / All Submissions / Jan 11, 2024, 5:08 PM'. The user is 'Australia User1'. The submission is currently a 'Draft' created on 'Jan 11, 2024' with 3 items, 0 issues, and 1 warning. The 'General' tab is active, and the submission type is 'ROP Transshipment Authorizations'. A file named 'Res_22_02_-_Record_of_IOTC_CV_TRX_AUTH.xlsx' has been uploaded. A 'Note' field is present for free-form text. A 'Save' button is visible in the top right corner.

Consulting ROP Transshipment Authorizations

If you want to consult the ROP Transshipment Authorizations for a given CV, search for the vessel using the e-RAV, and open it's details page.

If you are logged in as a CPC user, you will see an active “ROP Transshipment Authorizations” tab on the vessel's details page.

The screenshot shows the vessel details page for 'BOYANG ALASKA' in the e-RAV system. The breadcrumb trail is 'RAV / All Vessels / IOTC017186'. The vessel is a 'Carrier Vessel' registered in 'Panama' with a date of 'Jan 11, 2024' and an expiration date of 'Expires on Mar 31, 2024'. The 'ROP Transshipment Authorizations' tab is active. The 'DETAILS' section shows the 'IOTC Number' as 'IOTC017186' and the 'Name' as 'BOYANG AL'.

Click on that tab and you will see a list of all CPCs that have authorised this CV to receive transshipments from their FVs, including details about each authorization.

RAV / All Vessels / IOTC017186 Olivier Roux

BOYANG ALASKA

Carrier Vessel Panama Jan 11, 2024 Expires on Mar 31, 2024

Carrier [ROP Transhipment Authorizations](#)

11/01/2024			
11/01/2024	Australia	Type At sea	From 01/01/2024 To 31/12/2024