



Information sheet on self-built ships

Proof of ownership

If your yacht is self-built, proof of ownership consists of invoices including proof of payment for the materials and components used. In your application you should include:

- a statement of costs, divided up for each part of the yacht (the hull, masts and sail, standing and running rigging, the engine, superstructure and equipment) as well as a compilation of costs with each part listed individually and including the total sum.
- Please attach copies of the most important invoices (such as for the building plans, hull, engine and sails) with proof of payment (i.e. either receipted bills, invoices with a postal receipt or debit notes from your bank) and number them.

Certificate of seaworthiness

Based on article 7 of the Ordinance of 15 March 1971 on Swiss Sea-Going Yachts (available in German, French and Italian), all self-built ships require a certificate of seaworthiness. This may be issued by a classification society (such as Lloyd's, Veritas, etc.) or by an accredited shipbuilding engineer (a list of Swiss experts is available from our office).

Please write the name of the engineer or architect responsible for the building plans in your report. The report must indicate that each part of the yacht has been carefully examined and the yacht is seaworthy. Yacht building should be supervised by an expert and checked periodically.

Please send in clearly legible copies as the documents will remain in the files.