

VIETNAM**1. REGULATIONS****1.1 General**

Nil.

1.2 EPIRBs

All ships including passenger ships, regardless of length, general cargo ships with tonnage of 300 GT and above, shall be fitted with EPIRB.

All fishing vessels working in GMDSS area A2 & A3 shall be fitted with at least one 406 MHz EPIRB.

1.3 ELTs

Vietnamese aircraft are required to be equipped with the ELTs in accordance with the regulations under the Civil Aeronautics Law.

1.4 PLBs**1.4.1 National Beacon Regulations for Serial-Coded PLBs**

Administration	For Terrestrial Applications	In Maritime Environment	On Aircraft	Comments
	Country Recognises PLB Activations	Country Recognises PLB Activations	Country Recognises PLB Activations	
Viet Nam	Y	Y	Y	Nil

Similar information is available in the new table on the Cospas-Sarsat website (www.cospas-sarsat.int) with the status indication in colors (Y = green, allows / N = red, not allowed / Restrictions = amber (see comments) and with the note that the national beacon regulations can be found on the Cospas-Sarsat website in document C/S S.007).

2. BEACONS CODING METHODS

- ELT: Emergency Locator Transmitter
- EPIRB: Emergency Position Indicating Radio-Beacon,
- MMSI: Maritime Mobile Service Identity,
- PLB: Personal Locator Beacon,
- RLS: Return Link Service,
- S/N: Serial Number of the device,
- TAC: Cospas-Sarsat Type-Approval Certificate number,
- Y: Administration allows beacons to be coded with this protocol for this(these) country code(s),

- N: Administration does not allow beacons to be coded with this protocol for this(these) country code(s),
- [Y/N]: Administration has not made available information to whether or not it allows beacons to be coded with this protocol for this(these) country code(s). See sections 1.1 and 1.2 of the main part of document C/S S.007 for further guidance.

2.1 EPIRB Coding Methods

Country Code(s)	USER PROTOCOLS				LOCATION PROTOCOLS									
	Maritime User		Serial User	Radio Call Sign	User Location			Standard Location		National Location		RLS (Return Link Service)		
	MMSI	Radio Call Sign	TAC & S/N	Radio Call Sign	MMSI	TAC & S/N	Radio Call Sign	MMSI	TAC & S/N	Serial Number Assigned by Competent Administration	National RLS Number	TAC & S/N	RLS MMSI	
574	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	

2.2 ELT Coding Methods

Country Code(s)	USER PROTOCOLS				LOCATION PROTOCOLS								RLS (Return Link Service)	
	Serial User			Aviation User	User Location				Standard Location			National Location	RLS (Return Link Service)	
	TAC & S/N	Aircraft Operator Designator and Serial Number	Aircraft 24-bit Address	Aircraft Nationality and Registration Marking	TAC & S/N	Aircraft Operator Designator and Serial Number	Aircraft 24-bit Address	Aircraft Nationality and Registration Marking	TAC & S/N	Aircraft Operator Designator and Serial Number	Aircraft 24-bit Address	S/N Assigned by Competent Administration	National RLS Number	TAC & S/N
574	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

2.3 PLB Coding Methods

Country Code(s)	USER PROTOCOLS			LOCATION PROTOCOLS						
	Serial User			User Location	Standard Location	National Location		RLS (Return Link Service)		
	TAC & S/N			TAC & S/N			S/N Assigned by Competent Administration	National RLS Number	TAC & S/N	RLS MMSI
574	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N

2.4 Return Link Service (RLS) Protocols

Per document C/S T.001 section A.3.3.7 “RLS Location Protocol”, “The RLS-MMSI protocol option is not approved for use in beacons prior to future approval by the [Cospas-Sarsat] Council”.

3. LIST OF BEACON MODELS TYPE APPROVED BY ADMINISTRATION

Nil.

4. BEACON TESTING REGULATION

Nil.

5. POINT OF CONTACT FOR BEACON MATTERS (CODING, REGISTRATION AND TYPE APPROVAL)

The point of contact for beacon matters is: Viet Nam Maritime Communication and Electronics Single Member Limited Liability Company (VISHIPEL).

Updated point of contact details for administrations are available at:
<https://www.cospas-sarsat.int/en/contacts-pro/contacts-details-all>.

6. BEACON REGISTRATION

6.1 Regulation

Beacon owners are requested to submit a registration form to Viet Nam Mission Control Centre (website: www.vnmcc.vishipel.vn or email: vnmcc@vishipel.com.vn).

6.2 Forms

Online beacon registration form (ELT, EPIRB, PLB) is available at: <http://vnmcc.vishipel.vn/>.

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