## Summary for pharmacists: Supplying medicines to vessels

List of medicines in *Annex A* of the [AMSA Medical Carriage Requirements (external site)](https://www.amsa.gov.au/sites/default/files/amsa438-medical-carriage-requirements.pdf)

**Which medicines?**

**Receive order**

**Type of vessel**

**Additional information**

Order authorised by the owner or master of the vessel is received.

**Australian registered?** Check the [list of Australian registered ships (external site)](http://www.amsa.gov.au/vessels/shipping-registration/list-of-registered-ships/) available on the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) website.

**Registered ships**

Requirements detailed in the [WHO International Medical Guide for Ships Quantification addendum (external site)](https://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/44341)

**Registered overseas?** Check the relevant Port Authority to find out whether the ship is berthed at a WA port. Web links are available from the [WA Department of Transport (external site)](https://www.transport.wa.gov.au/Freight-Ports/port-authorities.asp).

Check order authenticity, including identifying the person ordering and/or collecting the medicines and the details of the vessel.

Check the [National Standard for Commercial Vessels (NSCV) (external site)](https://www.amsa.gov.au/domestic/standards/national-standards/)

*Sub-section C7A* includes details of Scale D and Scale E Medical Cabinets and Scale F and Scale G First Aid Kits

Domestic commercial vessels, such as fishing vessels and passenger ferries, operate within Australia’s Exclusive Economic Zone and are classified according to the [vessel use and operational area (external site)](https://www.amsa.gov.au/vessels-operators/domestic-commercial-vessels/vessel-classes-and-service-categories). Required equipment, including medicines, depends on the vessel class.

**Domestic commercial vessels**

**Vessel transporting livestock?** Required veterinary medicines are listed in the [Australian Meat and Livestock Standards (external site)](http://www.agriculture.gov.au/export/controlled-goods/live-animals/livestock/regulatory-framework/acts-regulations-orders-standards).

**Racing yachts**

The race must depart from WA. There are three such races:

* Fremantle to Albany and return (April)
* Fremantle to Bali Race (May)
* Geraldton Classic and return (October)

See *4.07* *Medical kit and manual* as required by the ‘Racing Rules of Sailing’ [Special Regulations Part 1 for Racing Boats (external site)](https://www.sailingresources.org.au/safety/specialregs/)

NB: Schedule 4 & 8 medicines only required for category 1 and 2 races

### Records of Supply

* Pharmacists should complete the [Pharmacist Supply of Medicines to Ships and Vessels (Word 832KB)](https://ww2.health.wa.gov.au/~/media/Files/Corporate/general%20documents/medicines%20and%20poisons/Word/Pharmacist-supply-to-ships-and-vessels.doc) form and attach to the original order and maintain the record for 2 years for Schedule 4 medicines or 5 years for Schedule 8 medicines.
* Pharmacists must include any Schedule 8 transactions involving vessels on the monthly Schedule 8 return to the Department of Health, including names of first aid provider (use prescriber name field) and vessel (use patient surname field).