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PRESS RELEASE

IAPR: The Transit Log for private foreign-flagged pleasure boats is now digital

The digital process of submitting and managing the Transit Log for private foreign-flagged vessels, according to Decision 1124/2024 of the Governor of the Independent Authority for Public Revenue, Georgios Pitsilis.

In particular, the process concerns private pleasure boats, with a total length of more than 7 meters that sail in Greek ports, in terms of the submission and management of a transit log

a. of limited validity, if:

- they bear the flag of a third country and are holded or owned by persons established in a third country / or bear the flag of another member state and are owned bypersons established in a third country,
- the customs duties attributable to them have not been paid.

b. of unlimited validity, if:

- they bear the flag of a third country and are owned by persons established in a third country or in an EU member state,
- the customs duties attributable to them have been paid.

According to current legislation, vessels with the above characteristics are required to submit a Transit Log to the competent Customs Office, in order to move freely in Greek territorial waters. Now, the process of submitting the Log and related supporting documents can be completed within a few minutes on the digital portal myAADE (myaade.gov.gr) under Applications > Customs Services > Transit Log.

The new digital process significantly reduces the time needed to issue the Transit Log, facilitating the entry of foreign travelers with pleasure boats into the country. Indicatively, it is reported that 8,033 Transit Logs were issued in 2022, 10,132 Logs were issued in 2023, and in the current year, 4,529 Logs have already been issued so far.

At the same time, the appropriate conditions are created for the digital management and exchange of the necessary information between the IAPR and the Port Authorities of the Ministry of Mercantile Marine and Island Policy, enabling more targeted and more effective controls by the IAPR's services.