

**APPENDIX J
PROCEDURES FOR REQUESTING
USE OF FOREIGN FLAG VESSELS**

1. A justification certificate is required for the use of a foreign flag vessel (see Attachment B, Form-5). The contractor shall request permission to use a foreign flag vessel by submitting the required certificate for authorization to the appropriate authority cited in paragraph 4. below. The request shall be submitted within, but not more than ten (10) calendar days following the date of receiving the POV, but not less than two (2) working days prior to booking with the GDS.

2. Use of a foreign flag vessel is not authorized when the contractor, for its convenience, selects a port where ocean transportation is available only by foreign flag vessel in lieu of a port customarily served by U.S. flag vessels. Therefore, when the contractor, for its convenience, elects to use a port not normally serviced by U.S. flag vessels, the certificate for use of a foreign flag vessel from that port will not be approved. Selection of such a port is at the contractor's risk should it become necessary to divert the shipment to a port providing U.S. flag vessel service. The movement of cargo partly by U.S. flag vessel and partly by foreign flag feeder vessel will not be approved when a U.S. flag vessel is available to transport POVs to the destination. If any segment of the intended routing involves use of a foreign flag vessel, a justification certification is required, and the contractor shall obtain approval prior to booking of shipment with the ocean carrier.

3. PREFERENCE FOR PRIVATELY OWNED U.S.-FLAG VESSELS (10 U.S.C. 2634)

(a) Pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2634, when a service member is ordered to make a change of permanent station, from a permanent station inside CONUS to a permanent station OCONUS, or from a permanent station OCONUS to another permanent station, one POV may be transported at the government's expense on U.S.-flag vessels, if U.S.-flag vessels are reasonably available.

(b) The contractor shall use ships registered under the laws of the United States for all such shipments it receives under this contract.

(c) To the extent any U.S.-flag vessels are not available, the contractor shall obtain the prior written authorization of the contracting officer to use a foreign flag vessel.

4. INDIVIDUALS OFFICES AUTHORIZED TO APPROVE USE OF FOREIGN FLAG VESSELS:

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