



Panamanian Seaman's Books

Nomadic offers the issuance of Panamanian Seaman's Books, reinforcing our ongoing commitment to supporting maritime professionals and enhancing operational efficiency within the global shipping and energy sectors.

Working with the necessary authorities and embassies, this service aligns with our mission to support the maritime industry by providing essential documents that ensure compliance with international regulations.

What is a Seaman's Book?

Recognized worldwide, the Panamanian Seaman's Book, also known as the Seafarer's Identification and Record Book, is an official document that certifies the holder as a Seaman, per The International Convention of Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW). It serves as both an identification document and a record of a seafarer's maritime career, detailing employment history, sea service, and qualifications.

Whilst the Seaman's Book does not replace the requirement to hold a valid passport and correct visa, it can be used to assist in certain cases when transiting and entering/exiting port state controls, as well as in the processing of work visa applications for certain destination countries.

There are no nationality restrictions on who can apply for a Seaman's Book.

How long is a Seaman's Book valid for?

Seaman's Books are generally issued with a validity of five years.

How long does the application take?

Processing time will vary between 2 - 4 weeks, subject to submission availability at the applying embassy.

How can Nomadic support a Seaman's Book application?

Clients already onboarded with Nomadic can begin the application process for a Panamanian Seaman's Book via the [Nomadic portal](#). For additional assistance, clients are encouraged to contact their Client Services Manager.

Nomadic also offers the issuance of British Seaman's Books. For more information about how Nomadic can support your Seaman's Book application, please contact us at nomadicclientsupport@fragomen.com.