



Full membership of a State to the IOMOU is achieved by the following procedure

Any Maritime of the State who wants to become a Full member of the Indian Ocean Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), has to follow the following steps:

Step1.

Check Qualitative criteria to become full member as provided in Annex 9 of the MOU*.

Step 2

1. As per the section 10.3 and 10.4 of the MoU, if the Maritime Authority is fulfilling all the criteria provided in Annex 9 of the MOU, sends an email to IOMOU Secretariat (iomou.sec@nic.in) with a letter addressed to the Secretary, IOMOU Secretariat, applying to become the full member of IOMOU;
2. Based on above document(s) received by the Secretariat, the same will be circulated among the member Authorities for acceptance;
3. If the majority of member Authorities of the Committee accept the applying Authority as a new member, then Instrument of accession and financial agreements will be forwarded to the applicant authority in duplicate for signature;
4. Annual Contribution (as decided by the Committee) as mentioned in the financial agreement needs to be paid by the applicant Authority. Necessary invoice will be sent by the Secretariat along with Bank details to the new member Authority for necessary action;
5. Once all these formalities are over satisfactorily, Indian Ocean Computerized Information System's (IOCIS) access also will be given to the new member after receiving the Annual contribution for the first year.

Step 3

1. Memorandum will enter into force for the new Authority, 90 days from the date of acceptance or accession;
2. New member Authority has to
 - .1 provide the details of their contact point to the Secretariat for communication purpose;
 - .2 provide the details of their National Arrangements with respect to the port State control and National Appeal Procedure in the questionnaire as provided by the Secretariat;
 - .3 start entering PSC inspection reports in the IOCIS on regular basis;
 - .4 fulfil all the commitments as per MOU;
 - .5 attend Annual Meetings on regular basis once in a year and actively participate in the MOU.

* Copy of the MOU is available on home page of website www.iomou.org