

Certificate Verification

How it works

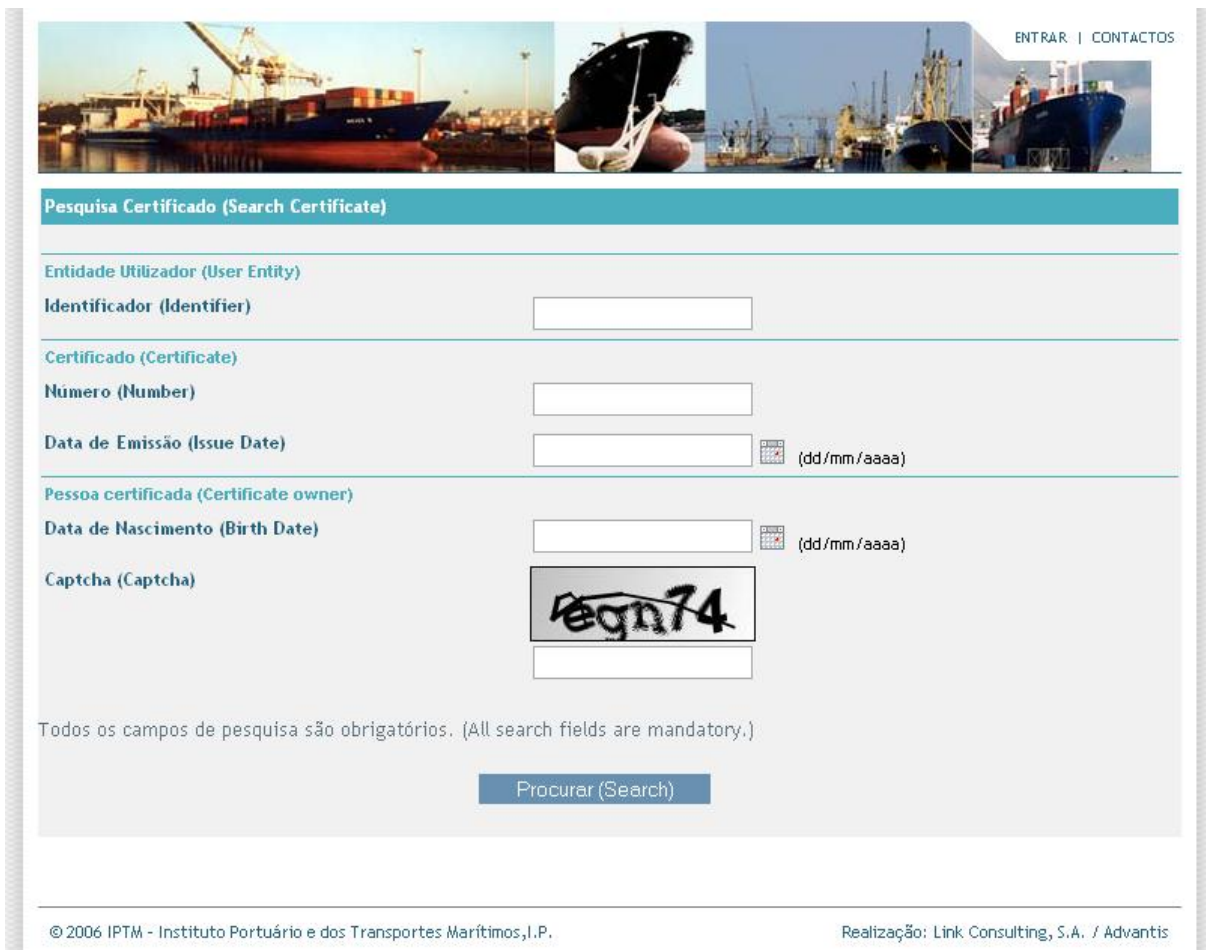


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All entities that need to validate and/or confirm IPTM issued certificates, can now do it directly by accessing a public web interface (website), which is provided in two languages (Portuguese and English).



The screenshot shows the 'Pesquisa Certificado (Search Certificate)' web interface. At the top, there is a banner with four images of ships and the text 'ENTRAR | CONTACTOS'. Below the banner, the form is titled 'Pesquisa Certificado (Search Certificate)'. It contains several sections: 'Entidade Utilizador (User Entity)' with an 'Identificador (Identifier)' field; 'Certificado (Certificate)' with 'Número (Number)' and 'Data de Emissão (Issue Date)' fields; and 'Pessoa certificada (Certificate owner)' with a 'Data de Nascimento (Birth Date)' field. There is also a 'Captcha (Captcha)' section with a captcha image showing 'egn74' and an input field. At the bottom, a note states 'Todos os campos de pesquisa são obrigatórios. (All search fields are mandatory.)' and a 'Procurar (Search)' button is present. The footer includes copyright information for IPTM and the website's development by Link Consulting, S.A. / Advantis.

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Pesquisa Certificado (Search Certificate)

Entidade Utilizador (User Entity)

Identificador (Identifier)

Certificado (Certificate)


Número (Number)

Data de Emissão (Issue Date) (dd/mm/aaaa)

Pessoa certificada (Certificate owner)

Data de Nascimento (Birth Date) (dd/mm/aaaa)

Captcha (Captcha)



Todos os campos de pesquisa são obrigatórios. (All search fields are mandatory.)

Procurar (Search)

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To confirm a certificate, the querying entity should provide **all fields** to be able to find a certificate successfully.

The required fields are:

- User entity *identifier*
- Certificate *number*
- Certificate *issue date*
- Certificate owner *birth date*

User entity ***identifier*** is a simple identification code, that is provided to each entity that requires access to I.P.T.M. (Portuguese Maritime Administration) web interface to confirm I.P.T.M. issued certificates.

WARNING: Please contact e-mail seafarers.online@imarpor.pt to request the identifier.

Note: *This code is used for simple statistical access reports.*

Certificate ***number*** and ***issue date***, are specific certificate data, relevant to target the certificate to be confirmed.

Note: *This information is printed on the certificate and hence easily available.*

Certificate Owner ***birth date***, is required to cross reference the confirmation request.

Note: The certificate owner usually provides this info verbally or through his personal identification documents.

Once all data is introduced, there is one further field that is required to be entered, namely a ***CAPTCHA*** (Completely Automated Public Turing test to tell Computers and Humans Apart) field. The purpose of this field is to distinguish valid human accesses from computer scripted queries.

Note: *A human is capable to successfully decode a CAPTCHA image and provide the sequence of letters and numbers that are encoded visually, allowing the web server to distinguish a human made request from a computer automated script request.*

This unfortunately is required to prevent abusive accesses from third parties.

WARNING: Successfully finding a certificate will provide evidence of existence and confirmation of the target certificate by showing relevant information about it.

However, if a search is unsuccessful, it ***DOES NOT*** mean the certificate is ***INVALID*** or ***FAKE***.

Failure to find a certificate can be due to many causes, including but not limited to: incorrect User entity *identifier*, incorrect input, system availability, internal server errors or missing data in the system.

Please report and confirm these cases directly with I.P.T.M. (Portuguese Maritime Administration) to e-mail seafarers.certification@imarpor.pt.