



TAHITI CREW

Ia Orana Puddle Jumpers !

Time has come to make your Formalities in foreign countries are always time consuming and often a difficult first step in the country of arrival. After your weeks of offshore sailing, we will help you to check in to French Polynesia with ease so you can enjoy our paradise islands from the first day.

A little history :

Tahiti Crew started in 2012 as a crew placement agency for Superyachts. We opened our office in Marina Taina in 2013 and has started to offer our services to the Puddle Jumpers. We have local staff who are fluent in English, and -- believe us -- this assistance will be welcomed in some remote islands...

Tahiti Crew is very happy to renew this experience with members of the 2022 PPJ fleet. We have decided to offer special rates and a discount card to the Pacific Puddle Jump rally members for all the official formalities, plus any other kind of assistance you may need in French Polynesia.

For the majority of the yachts, the first point of entry will be the Marquesas Islands. We have nominated representatives there to act as a relay of our organization.

Formalities of entry in French Polynesia

For your information, and regarding formalities you should know:

Ports of entry for French Polynesia :

At the moment, it is possible to do the official entry in **Tahiti** – Papeete ; **Moorea** – Afareaitu, **Huahine** – Fare ; **Raiatea** – Uturoa ; **Bora Bora** – Vaitape ; **Nuku Hiva** – Taiohae ; **Hiva Oa** – Atuona ; **Ua Pou** – Hakahau ; **Rangiroa** – Tiputa ; **Mangareva** – Rikitea ; **Tubuai** – Mataura ; **Rurutu** – Moerai ; **Raivavae** – Raima.

All yachts transiting in French Polynesia have to declare their crew at the immigration police, gendarmerie and Customs both at their arrival harbor, also in Papeete, Tahiti, and on the departure island.

EU Citizens will not require a bond letter and can stay as long as they want in French Polynesia.

Most of the non-EU will have a 90 days stay allowance, if you are not sure about your citizenship allowance in French Polynesia , please contact us and we will be happy to find that information for you.

Conditions entry for non-European :

For non-EU crew, they have 3 options to enter French Polynesia :

1. To post a bond letter at the bank of the equivalent of the equal cost of an airline ticket for each crew member to guarantee to local authorities that you will have enough money to leave the country, and you will get your money back on your departure in Pacific Francs.
2. To show them a plane ticket out of French Polynesia
3. To use the services of an agent to be covered by their bond letter

At your first port of call in Marquesas, Gambier, you will have to go to the gendarmerie and they will give you a customs clearance. The original **MUST BE STAMPED** by them sent by mail straight to customs headquarters in Tahiti.

All boats less than 24 meters can stay 24 months in French Polynesia water consecutively. If you would like to stay longer you can papeetize your boat or sail to enter another country and can come back in to French Polynesia after 6 months away.

Long Stay Visa :

A great idea is to apply for a long stay visa prior coming, as we have so many beautiful islands to sail to, 90 days gives you just enough time to have a taste of it 😊

Long stay visa must be requested in the French embassy or consulate in your home country or where your boat is at port for over 3 months. It is a six weeks process minimum.

Once the long-stay visa obtain, you need to apply for the carte de séjour on arrival, you will have to submit once more all the documents that you have submitted in the French Consulate within the first two weeks of arrival. We have long-stay visa package where we can assist you in the process.

Extension for none-EU passport is **ONLY** in serious case of emergency such as serious illness of the captain or boat failure.

Register with us :

Step 1: Email Chantal at yachts@tahiticrew.com with the name of your boat, she will send you the list of the documents for your registration

Step 2 : Payment via our OSB link by credit card

Step 3 : Have your bond letter ready, printed and keep us update of your ETA

Step 4 : contact our agent in Nuku Hiva on arrival

For long-stay visa holder, you need to apply for your carte de sejour from your first 2 weeks of arrival in French Polynesia and we will assist you with this.

Please note that the bond letter is valid 90 days from the day you check-in to French Polynesia.

🚤 **Tahiti Crew Discount Card :**

We are launching our discount card for cruisers.

We have made partnerships with restaurants, accommodations, spas, excursions companies in Tahiti, Moorea and in other islands and we are happy to offer you this complementary card included in your package.

You can pick up your copy of the card in Tahiti and you will find information about the discount card on the list we can send you.

🚤 **Contact us :**

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🚤 **Social medias :**

- **Facebook page :** Cruising with Tahiti Crew / Tahiti Crew
- **Facebook group for local events in Tahiti :** Tahiti Yacht Events group
- **Instagram :** Tahiti_crewagency
- **Blogs :** We will be happy to know more about your blogs and share it with other cruisers, you can contact us on info@tahiticrew.com

Our office is located in Marina Taina, we are open Monday to Friday from 8.00am to 3.00pm

Tahiti Crew is very happy to renew our association with the Puddle Jump rally in 2023.

We are excited to welcome you to French Polynesia and remain at your disposal for any information you may require for your arrival.

Tehani, Director Tahiti Crew