

All the info you need to find your way around town

Historical Note: Chris and Nancy of the yacht Amulet first prepared the Yachtie's Yellow Pages in 2007. We thank them, and the Marshall Islands Visitor's Authority (MIVA) for reproducing them and helping us with items for the Yachties Welcome Packets. This version of the Yellow Pages was updated in January, 2024, by club publicity director Karen Earnshaw (www.infomarshallislands.com and www.sailingmarshallislands.com).

If you have any questions, ask on the morning Majuro Cruiser's Net VHF 71 at 07:30 (Monday to Saturday) or on HF 6.224 at 07:45 (daily). The Marshall Islands Journal is a good source of local current events and information.

DRESS: Dress in the Marshall Islands is conservative; knee-length shorts or skirts, sleeveless tops OK. Spaghetti-strap or strapless tops are frowned upon. The men prefer long pants, but you may wear shorts

TIPPING IN RESTAURANTS: Tipping is not expected in truly local establishments but in resorts and better restaurants, up to 10% is not unreasonable for good service.

ACRONYM GUIDE: Marshallese love to use acronyms. Taxi drivers will understand where to go when you use them. The following are some you should familiarize yourself with:

Banks:

BOG Bank of Guam

BOMI Bank of the Marshall Islands

Restaurants:

MIR Marshall Islands Resort Hotel (series of 3-story white buildings with turquoise roofs on south side of harbor), 625-2525

RRE Robert Reimers Enterprises Hotel (resort at head of north mooring field; hotel desk on 2nd floor), 625-6474.

Utilities:

NTA National Telecommunications Authority (next to the big satellite dishes)

MEC Marshalls Energy Company (less than ½ mile north of NTA) (propane)

Miscellaneous:

DAR (formerly Dominick Auto Rental – and the initials just “stuck”)...the Coffee Corner on the back road, the beauty salon, and the store – now called Carrie & Cailyn’s).

DUD Darita-Uliga-Delap (islands that make up Majuro town... but this is an old phrase, rarely used in practice)

MBYC Mico Beach Yacht Club (club room is the MIR bar)

MIVA Marshall Islands Visitors Authority (next door to MEC)

PII Pacific International, Inc (next to Delap Dock), 625-3122/3560/5316 (good machine shop)

RMI Republic of the Marshall Islands

NOTE: Businesses and services are listed alphabetically by TYPE. These businesses are those normally used and recommended by the cruisers. It is not all-inclusive. There may be more services and stores available.

LISTINGS

- **ATMs:** Three on island: downstairs in front of RRE Hotel in Uliga; at Bank of Guam in Delap (next to K&K Island Pride Grocery Store), in Payless Supermarket in Uliga.

- **AUTO SUPPLIES**

- i. Ace Hardware, Do it Best Hardware, and Tru Value Hardware, MJCC, EZ Price.

- ii. Best selection of oil and fuel filters seems to be at EZ Price or PII. Do It Best has a good selection of oil and fuel filters also.

- **BAKERIES:** Bread at bakeries tends to be sweet, except for Wellness Center.

- i. Baked goods sections at Payless, K&K and Formosa.

- ii. Wellness Center (near the hospital) has fresh whole wheat bread daily – vegan kitchen!

- **BATTERIES:** Limited or no selection in deep-cycle batteries.

- i. Do It Best is distributor for Exide – about \$200 for each 12V car battery.

- ii. Ace Hardware, EZ Price, and Island Eco carry batteries – not US standard.

- **BEER and Alcohol:** Payless, Cost Price, K&K Island Pride, Formosa, Flame Tree, Pacific Pure Water (beer) & Shoreline (beer), Ace’s One Stop (selection wines and beers from New Zealand and Chile).

NOTE: No alcohol sold on Sundays except in the restaurants. It is unlawful for the Marshallese to have or consume alcoholic beverages on the outer islands (except for Likiep), but not in Majuro. In the outer atolls, keep all alcohol confined to your boat and do not share with the locals.

- **BOAT SUPPLIES:** Limited selections at Ace Hardware, Do It Best Hardware, and EZ Price.

- **CANVAS**

- i. Do It Best Hardware (limited selection of canvas).

ii. Sailrite is familiar with Majuro and mails directly here.

· **CLEARING IN:** See the Entering RMI page on either infomarshallislands.com or sailingmarshallislands.com.

· **CLEARING OUT:** Go to Ports Authority first to pay \$10 harbor fee (sometimes waived) for outward clearance. Present PA receipt at Customs and get passports stamped at Immigration. (See Government Offices for locations.)

· **COPY SERVICES**

a) Standard size: Copymasters or Office Mart.

2. b) Chart size: Copymasters, TSL Office Solutions, EPA office or PII. (Not always working)

· **COMPUTER HELP:** Majuro Computer Services (bright green building just past NTA satellites) (5% discount for MBYC members).

· **COMPUTER SALES/SUPPLIES**

1. a) Majuro Computer Services (see item above)

2. b) TSL Enterprises – 3rd floor, green 5-story building.

3. c) EZ Price – See MIVA map. Blank CDs & DVDs only sold singly.

4. d) Office Mart – ¼ mile south of College of Marshall Islands.

5. e) Copymasters – Ground floor, green 5-story building.

· **DINGHY LANDINGS**

· Always use a long painter to allow room for other dinghies. DO NOT raise outboards. Remember: all land in the RMI is privately owned.

i. Shoreline/RRE – At head of north mooring field. Tie your painter towards the wall end of the floating dock, allowing the bigger boats the lagoon end of the dock. DO NOT LOCK! Security patrolled.

ii. Uliga Dock – Commercial dock between north & south mooring fields. Floating dock on backside. Main gate closes at 5 pm but side door remains open. Security guard at gate. Recommended for use in westerlies.

iii. G&L Apartments – By permission of the owner only! Within Uliga Dock basin. Tie up at concrete steps on landside. Danger! – Rebar and concrete footings exposed at low tides.

iv. Matt Holly's – At head of south mooring field, by pair of rusty ships. Tie up to rusty barge alongside. Danger! – Thinning ladder rungs and holes and thinning metal in barge deck.

v. K&K Island Groceries – lagoon side: Sand beach across street. Children may play in dinghies.

vi. MIR – Tie up at concrete steps. Security patrolled.

· **DIVE TANK REFILLS:** Brian Kirk 455-1175.

· **FABRIC** (Dress fabrics only)

ii. Formosa (Delap) – Located next to Flame Tree. Best selection.

iii. DAR Services (Carrie & Cailyn's)– Located in Delap on lagoon side of the

road (near NTA)

· **FAX SERVICES**

- . NTA – Cheapest in Majuro but outgoing only. Cost based on phone rates; assume about 1 minute/page (e.g. \$1.50/minute to U.S., so about \$1.50/page)
- i. RRE – Send & receive capability; \$5 first page, \$1.50 each additional page.
- ii. MIR – Send & receive capability but expensive.
- iii. US. Embassy – American citizens can receive faxes by arrangement.

· **FISHING SUPPLIES:** Ace Hardware, Do It Best Hardware, MJCC Hardware, Formosa Hardware, Tru Value Hardware.

· **FUEL – DIESEL AND GASOLINE**

- . MEC – About 15-30% savings over Shoreline but 55 gallon minimum. See pg. 9 of Yachtie's Yellow Pages for instructions for filling by jugs.
- i. Bunkering is available at Delap Dock with less than a couple dollars bunker fee. Inquire at MEC office and Ports Authority.
- ii. Delap Dock not very small-boat friendly; check out beforehand. If you need more info, contact Cary on the yacht Seal.

· **FUEL – OTHER**

- i. Propane: MEC sells propane at their tank farm in Delap. Pay ahead at MEC offices; take receipt to MEC tank farm. Taxis allow you to carry the tank in the trunk. Wally Milne also sells propane and his place can be visited in your dinghy. As fleet for directions.
- ii. Kerosene: At gas station across from Lil' Party Favors – near BOMI.
- iii. Denatured Alcohol: Ace Hardware, Do It Best, Tru Value – sold in 1-gallon cans.

· **GARBAGE:** People can bring their trash to RRE Shoreline (dumpster behind store). Please make arrangements with RRE to pay a \$4/month trash fee.

· **GOVERNMENT OFFICES**

- i. Customs – Located in the Ministry of Finance building in Delap opposite the Marshall Islands Resort.
- ii. Immigration – Located on 5th floor, green 5-storey Mako building near MIR.
- iii. Ports Authority – Located at Delap Dock; 625-6170/6179.

· **GROCERY STORES**

- i. Payless Supermarket – in Uliga across from EZ Price. Walking distance! See MIVA map. Open 0800-2100 (or until no more customers), 7 days. Big grocery store with wide selection of foods and fresh vegetables. Liquor section. Separate section for discounted, out-of-date foods; watch price at register. 5% discount with Senior Citizen card (60 yrs & over).
- ii. K&K Island Pride Supermarket – in Delap – just past capitol building. See MIVA map. Open 0800-2100 (or until no more customers), 7 days. Big grocery store with wide selection of foods and fresh vegetables. Liquor Separate section for discounted, out-of-date foods; watch price at register. 5% discount

with Senior Citizen card (60 yrs. & over).

iii. Formosa (Uluga store) – See MIVA map. Open 0800-2100 hrs, 7 days. Liquor department. Separate section for discounted, out-of-date foods.

Division 7-12 –Hit or miss selection of foods.

iv. Cost Price – Next door to Marilyn’s Bakery. A lot of Oriental products. Ask the owners if you want anything translated.

v. EZ Price Mart– in Uluga, across from Payless Supermarket. See MIVA map. Small selection, some institution-sized. Good supply of organic and health food. 5% discount on non-sale items with MBYC card.

vi. Majuro Market Place – Located at foot of RRE parking lot. Sometimes they have locally grown veggies & bananas. Cheap pre-made “plate lunch” – chicken and rice.

vii. Bulk: Pacific Basic Payless Wholesale (door off the side of main entrance to supermarket); will deliver to the dock; K&K Island Food Wholesale (located next door to Flame Tree) case lots; will deliver to the dock. Cash and carry. Open to public.

· **HARDWARE STORES**

i. Ace Hardware – Ground floor of RRE. Well-stocked and largest selection. Not air-conditioned so not conducive to browsing and things may be rusty. Friendly and helpful staff. Lumber also.

ii. Do it Best – Near MIR. Air-conditioned. Helpful staff. Lumber also.

iii. Tru Value Hardware – down the road from MIR. Air-conditioned. Must seek out help if needed. Lumber also.

iv. See hardware sections in EZ Price, Formosa (Uluga store), Division 7-12 and MJCC.

· HF RADIO: Island Radio at Jeirok, Laura. David Utter 528-2709.

· ICE: Cubes only, no block ice available. Easiest location at Shoreline. Available in bags at Payless and K&K.

· **INTERNET:**

i. Cruisers who don’t have Starlink can use NTA’s 4G LTE system. You can use a ‘dongle’ to access the service. NTA sells a My-Fi system. NTA is in Delap and has a couple of big old satellites in the front.

ii. The Alele Public Library (next to the courthouse) has a computer lab that you can use for FREE. Open 9 am to 5 pm – kinda, depending on staffing..

· **LAUNDROMATS:**

i. Closest location now is at Payless. You can do your own or pay the women who work there to do your laundry for you.

· **LIBRARY:** The Alele Museum & Public Library is in town near the court house. Library is upstairs. You can also access the library at the College of the Marshall Islands (CMI). The museum is a must visit: It’s small but well put together.

· **MACHINE SHOPS:** Machine Shop at Pacific International, Inc. (PII)

· **MEDICAL SERVICES**

ii. Doctors

xx. At Majuro Hospital, see MIVA map. Expect to wait. Cost of a visit including prescription \$20.

xxi. Alex Pinano at Majuro Clinic, opposite MIVA. Cost of a visit including prescription \$25.

iii. Dentists

xx. At Majuro Hospital. Cost of a visit including prescription \$20 – with a fee schedule posted for other services.

· **MOORINGS**

NOTE: Many moorings end in a loop for you to secure your lines. Please tie to the loops to prevent chafe to the mooring loop (and your lines). If you feel you must pass through the loop with your lines be sure to begin and end each line at the same point on your boat. Do not start a line on one side, pass through the mooring loop and end on the other side because as your boat swings, the line will slide back and forth through the loop and chafe it and your line.

1. Matt Holly (south field) – \$1.50-\$2/day, 30 days up front. See Matt Holly behind EZ Price, 455-5567. It is recommended you dive on your mooring here to inspect.

2. Cary Evarts has a small number of moorings for \$2 a day. Contact him on VHF Ch 71. It is recommended you dive on your mooring here to inspect.

3. Ben Chutarro has a few moorings which he leases out.

4. Enemanet Island and Eneko Island: These moorings were installed by and belong to the Mioco Beach Yacht Club. Their use is free to MBYC members; others pay \$5 per day.

(See Mooring Project page on www.sailingmarshallislands.com, the MBYC website, for more info.

· **NOTARY**

i. Bank of Marshall Islands (BOMI) – Convenient & cheap (\$5).

ii. Majuro Court House – Convenient & cheap (\$5).

iii. Various embassies/consulates – US Embassy – \$50 per document. See Majuro phone book for listings.

· **OIL & BATTERY DISPOSAL**

i. As of writing, there is no oil disposal available, but there are plans afoot by EPA to address this.

ii. For batteries: An NTA employee, Kinja, comes up on Channel 68. If you have old batteries, he will make use of them. Go to NTA or talk to Cary on VHF 71.

· **OUTBOARDS**

i. Yamaha – MJCC Yamaha, located just north of NTA, 0830-1800 M-F. 625-3500/3066. If locked go next door to MJCC general store.

ii. General Outboard Repairs: Rudy Aliven, ask Cary on Seal for contact details.

- OUTER ISLAND ENTRY PERMITS

i. Entry Permits required for each atoll. (Fees vary from atoll to atoll – from free to \$250.)

ii. Obtain forms at the Ministry of Internal Affairs (tan building on the lagoon side next to Mobil Oil tank farm), 2nd Floor: 625-8240. Request a copy of the Lagoon Entry Fees when you pick up permit forms. When you visit the atoll, present your permit and pay the fee to the acting mayor (if it was not collected by the mayor on Majuro).

iii. You must pay the fee again if revisiting the atoll. Recommend you make copies of your approved permits and have the acting mayor sign it when paying the fee.

iv. A permit is not required for Kwajalein, but it is a US military base. You must have a sponsor to visit. Civilian employment requires 2-year contract and you cannot live on the boat while working there.

v. For Bikini and Rongelap, obtain approved Entry Permits at the Ministry, and then take them for secondary approval to their respective City Halls (between RRE and G&L).

- PHARMACIES

i. Medi-Source – opposite MIVA. Owned by pharmacist Sandy Alfred, who will special order items.

ii. Majuro Hospital for filling prescriptions. (Prescriptions are usually filled free after consultation with hospital doctor, which costs \$20.00 after registration.)

iii. Alex Pinano – Has some prescription medications – watch dates; office visit: \$25.00

iv. Payless, K&K, EZ Price, and Formosa (Uluga) carry over-the-counter drugs, and health and first aid supplies.

- PHONES & SERVICE:

i. For local calls: Ask the hotel desk staff at RRE : they'll hand you a portable phone (calling cell phones has a small fee);

· NTA – Phone on wall in lobby, to the left (free).

1. For long distance:

i. You can use RRE, but it's expensive.

ii. NTA – 0700-2400 hrs, 7 days, \$1.50/min. to U.S. Take a number & wait in line, then give your name and number to the women behind the glass partition and she will assign you a booth and arrange for Overseas Operator. No free use of 1-800 numbers or their ilk. Pre-paid phone cards offer cheaper rates as

low as \$1.00/min off-peak but you need a local phone.

2. Cell Phones: Purchase SIM card at NTA \$15. Phone cards available throughout DUD. New cell phones available at NTA and other stores. Local calls \$0.10/min. New system: if you have a simcard, you will receive a message from NTA assigning you a 457- number. If you are staying a short time (less than a month), this may be a better deal: you pay \$.50 per day and \$.10 per minute, so all you have to do is buy a \$10 cell card and renew (you can add only \$2 if you need an extra two or three days and a few calls.)

3. Skype is available using wireless and your own computer.

· **POST OFFICE**

i. Main P.O. located across street from RRE, handles all General Delivery; small satellite P.O. next to K&K. Hours: M-F 0900-1200, 12:00 – 16:00. Sat 1300-1600. Use the following address when having mail sent to you at the RMI Post Office: SV your boat name, Yacht in Transit, Majuro, MH 96960
NOTE: RMI uses the US Postal System (USPS). Therefore, domestic First Class, Priority and Express Mail services can be used when mailing from RMI or having mail sent from the USA. COD is not available. Currently, 10-14 days appears to be the norm for Priority Mail delivery from the USA.

Generally, no customs duty experienced with “Yacht in Transit” designation but the letter of the law probably applies only to boat replacement parts. If goods are shipped using the cheapest rate they will come by ship and will take 6-8 weeks.

· **RADIO COMMUNICATIONS:**

i. VHF channel 71 for contact, then switch to ch.68 or 72 to talk.

ii. Majuro Cruiser’s Net at 0730 hrs on ch.71, Monday through Saturday.

iii. HF ‘Yokwe’ net on 6.224 at 0745 local time

· **REFRIGERATION:** Several people do repairs; none especially recommended.

· **SHIPPING/FREIGHT:**

I. DHL – Located in PII office, 625-6345.

II. Triple B Forwarders – They handle freight out of Los Angeles and Honolulu. Micro-Pak special: \$50 for 5 cu. ft. & 80 lbs. or less by air from Honolulu to Majuro (+\$17 minimum handling to PII). Use USPS domestic mail to get to Honolulu. For information: email egutierrez@tripleb.com or AAlt@tripleb.com.

III. Federal Express (FED EX) – Located in Central Maritime Agency, in the RRE offices opposite the hotel. Currently receive only, no outgoing. NOTE: No customs duty for “Yacht in Transit” designation but this really should apply to only boat replacement parts.

· **SOLAR PANELS:** EZ Price, Do It Best, MISCO in Uliga.

· **TAXIS/TRANSPORTATION:**

I. Shared Taxi: Anywhere in DUD area, 75 cents to \$1. Outside DUD, fare by

negotiation; e.g. \$2 per person to US Embassy. Remember, gas is expensive... feel free to tip.

II. RRE airport shuttle \$10. Book with reception in advance.

III. Mini-bus to Laura: \$3.00 per person, leaves RRE parking lot multiple times during the day.

WATER

i. Pacific Pure Water – RO water, potable quality. \$1/gallon in either a 5 gallon carboy (\$10 to buy container; non-refundable) or will fill your own jugs, 625-3140. – before 5 pm

ii. EZ Price Mart – dispenser at the front of the store

iii. Do It Best – dispenser at the front of the store – before 5 pm

iv. Payless

· WELDING:

. BAKO Divers – Call Brian on 625-1175, can do in-situ work.

i. PII – 625-3122

· YACHT CLUB – MIECO BEACH YACHT CLUB (MBYC)

. Membership at \$20 (single) or \$30 (family).

i. Discounts at DAR Beauty Salon and Store (20%); EZ Price (-5%), Monica's Restaurant (-5% food only), MIR Restaurant (-10%), Do It Best (-10%), Majuro Computer Services (-5%) with membership card.

ii. Sells caps, shirts, burgees and courtesy flags.

iii. Free moorings at Enemanet Island and Eneko Island.

· **YACHT HAULING:** At PII just past the bridge. Call Kenneth Kramer at PII.

· **YACHTIES NIGHT OUT:** Dinner every Tuesday at 1800 hrs at one of 5 restaurants: Tide Table at RRE, Marshall Islands Resort (pub quiz), Won Hai Shien (on back road opposite Mobil tanks, Toeak Bar and Grill in the NAPA building in Uliga, and Marshall Islands Club (MIC on the ocean side back road – all you can eat pizza).