



# GHANA SHIPPERS' AUTHORITY

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## **PRESIDENT AKUFO-ADDO ASSENTS TO GHANA SHIPPERS' AUTHORITY ACT 2024**

**Accra, Ghana** – The Ghana Shippers' Authority (GSA) is pleased to announce that on Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024, His Excellency President Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo gave his assent to the Ghana Shippers' Authority Act 2024 which was passed by Parliament on July 29, 2024.

This landmark legislation, achieved in GSA's 50th year, strengthens the GSA's regulatory mandate, establishing a robust, fair, and internationally competitive environment for commercial shipping in Ghana.

Established in 1974 as the Ghana Shippers' Council and renamed in 1998 to reflect its enhanced mandate, the GSA has long championed a balanced, thriving trade environment. This new Act now enables GSA to regulate across all modes of transport—sea, air, and land—to ensure fairness, efficiency, and integrity within the shipping and logistics sector. Ghana's shipping industry stands to gain from this fortified oversight, which safeguards transparency in pricing and fairness in service delivery, establishing Ghana as a destination of choice for international trade.

The Ghana Shippers' Authority extends its profound gratitude to all stakeholders whose invaluable input shaped this legislative milestone. Together, we have laid a foundation for a resilient, sustainable, and competitive commercial shipping ecosystem that will benefit all parties involved in the shipping, logistics, and broader trade sectors.

To enable the realization of this overarching aim of the Act, the GSA has embarked on a nationwide sensitization campaign to educate stakeholders about their rights and responsibilities under the new Act. Alongside this, the GSA is also soliciting input for the Legislative Instrument (L.I.) being developed to aid the operationalization of the law, and hereby urges all stakeholders to participate actively in the exercise for the mutual good of the sector and the nation.

Stakeholders are encouraged to visit any of GSA's five (5) zonal offices or any Shipper Complaints and Support Unit, or to contact us via **0302-666915-7** or **0800-300055** for further information should any be required.

**Signed**

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