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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF  
1934

For the month of September 2020

Commission File Number: 001-34153

**Global Ship Lease, Inc.**  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

**c/o 25 Wilton Road,**  
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**United Kingdom**  
(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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## INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS REPORT ON FORM 6-K

Attached as [Exhibit 99.1](#) to this Report on Form 6-K (this “Report”) is a copy of the press release of Global Ship Lease, Inc. (the “Company”), dated September 9, 2020, announcing that the Company has released its inaugural Environmental, Social and Governance Report.

Attached as [Exhibit 99.2](#) to this Report is a copy of the press release of the Company, dated September 8, 2020, announcing that the Company declared a quarterly dividend on its 8.75% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Shares (the “Series B Preferred Shares”) for the third quarter of 2020.

Attached as [Exhibit 99.3](#) to this Report is a copy of the press release of the Company, dated June 10, 2020, announcing that the Company declared a quarterly dividend on the Series B Preferred Shares for the second quarter of 2020.

The information contained in this Report (except for any reference to, or information contained in, the Company’s website and the statements attributed to the Company’s Executive Chairman in Exhibit 99.1) is hereby incorporated by reference into the Company's registration statements on Form F-3 (File Nos. 333-231509, 333-234343 and 333-235305).

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## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

**GLOBAL SHIP LEASE, INC.**  
(registrant)

Dated: September 10, 2020

By: /s/ Ian J. Webber  
Ian J. Webber  
Chief Executive Officer



## Global Ship Lease Issues Inaugural Environmental Social and Governance (ESG) Report

September 9, 2020

### Company Also Launches New Corporate Website

LONDON, Sept. 09, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Global Ship Lease, Inc. (NYSE:GSL) (the "Company"), a leading independent owner of containerships, announced today that it has issued its inaugural Environmental, Social, and Governance ("ESG") report. The ESG report outlines the Company's maritime sustainability strategy and targets, as well as current ESG policies and performance.

George Youroukos, Executive Chairman of Global Ship Lease, commented, "We are proud to issue our first ESG report and to provide investors and other stakeholders with additional insight into this important aspect of our business. Whilst not formalized until recently, and although we will continue to strive to do better, a number of ESG principles have long been embedded in our company culture and the way we do business. For example, taking Global Ship Lease together with Technomar and ConChart, our technical and commercial management partners, we have an inclusive workplace that features women in more than 40% of shore-based roles - including as head of chartering, head of legal, head of insurance, and head of accounting. Through the additional transparency and accountability of regular ESG reporting, our active participation in initiatives such as the Getting To Zero Coalition, an organization aiming to bring commercially viable, zero-emissions vessels into operation by 2030, and by creating a new and separate ESG committee at the Board level, we are committed to ensuring that Global Ship Lease remains a driver of this important movement in a way that ensures our long-term success in an evolving market."

Global Ship Lease's inaugural 2019 ESG report will be available on the Company's new corporate website, [www.globalshiplease.com](http://www.globalshiplease.com), which launched today.

### About Global Ship Lease

Global Ship Lease is a leading independent owner of containerships with a diversified fleet of mid-sized and smaller containerships. Incorporated in the Marshall Islands, Global Ship Lease commenced operations in December 2007 with a business of owning and chartering out containerships under fixed-rate charters to top tier container liner companies. On November 15, 2018, it completed a strategic combination with Poseidon Containers.

Global Ship Lease owns 43 containerships, ranging from 2,207 to 11,040 TEU, of which nine are fuel-efficient new-design wide-beam, with a total capacity of 245,280 TEU and an average age, weighted by TEU capacity, of 13.2 years as at June 30, 2020.

Adjusted to include all charters agreed, and ships acquired or divested, up to August 06, 2020, the average remaining term of the Company's charters at June 30, 2020, to the mid-point of redelivery, including options under the Company's control, was 2.3 years on a TEU-weighted basis. Contracted revenue on the same basis was \$659.1 million. Contracted revenue was \$743.6 million, including options under charterers' control and with latest redelivery date, representing a weighted average remaining term of 2.6 years.

### Safe Harbor Statement

This press release contains forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements provide the Company's current expectations or forecasts of future events. Forward-looking statements include statements about the Company's expectations, beliefs, plans, objectives, intentions, assumptions and other statements that are not historical facts. Words or phrases such as "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "ongoing," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "will" or similar words or phrases, or the negatives of those words or phrases, may identify forward-looking statements, but the absence of these words does not necessarily mean that a statement is not forward-looking. These forward-looking statements are based on assumptions that may be incorrect, and the Company cannot assure you that the events or expectations included in these forward-looking statements will come to pass. Actual results could differ materially from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including the factors described in "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 20-F and the factors and risks the Company describes in subsequent reports filed from time to time with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Accordingly, you should not unduly rely on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this press release. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly revise any forward-looking statement to reflect circumstances or events after the date of this press release or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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Source: Global Ship Lease, Inc.



## Global Ship Lease Declares Quarterly Dividend on its 8.75% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Shares

September 8, 2020

LONDON, Sept. 08, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Global Ship Lease, Inc. (NYSE:GSL) (the "Company") announced today that the Company's Board of Directors has declared a cash dividend of \$0.546875 per depositary share, each representing a 1/100<sup>th</sup> interest in a share of its 8.75% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Shares (the "Series B Preferred Shares") (NYSE:GSLPrB). The dividend represents payment for the period from July 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020 and will be paid on October 1, 2020 to all Series B Preferred Shareholders of record as of September 24, 2020.

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Global Ship Lease owns 43 containerships, ranging from 2,207 to 11,040 TEU, of which nine are fuel-efficient new-design wide-beam, with a total capacity of 245,280 TEU and an average age, weighted by TEU capacity, of 13.2 years as at June 30, 2020.

Adjusted to include all charters agreed, and ships acquired or divested, up to August 06, 2020, the average remaining term of the Company's charters at June 30, 2020, to the mid-point of redelivery, including options under the Company's control, was 2.3 years on a TEU-weighted basis. Contracted revenue on the same basis was \$659.1 million. Contracted revenue was \$743.6 million, including options under charterers' control and with latest redelivery date, representing a weighted average remaining term of 2.6 years.

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June 10, 2020

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Global Ship Lease owns 45 ships, ranging from 2,207 to 11,040 TEU, of which nine are fuel-efficient new-design wide-beam, with a total capacity of 248,968 TEU and an average age, weighted by TEU capacity, of 13.1 years as at March 31, 2020.

Adjusted to include all charters agreed up to May 11, 2020, the average remaining term of the Company's charters at March 31, 2020, to the mid-point of redelivery, including options under the Company's control, was 2.3 years on a TEU-weighted basis. Contracted revenue on the same basis was \$696.0 million. Contracted revenue was \$777.0 million, including options under charterers' control and with latest redelivery date, representing a weighted average remaining term of 2.6 years.

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