



NOTICE

GS 18 of 2004

THE PORTS MANAGEMENT ACT (2001)

Fees and Rates

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by Section 13(2) of The Ports and Management Act (26 of 2001), the Minister with the consent of Cabinet, **HEREBY DETERMINES** that the Port Fees described in the Schedule hereto shall be effective in the Kingdom from 1 October, 2003.

SCHEDULE**HARBOUR, LIGHT AND PILOTAGE DUTIES**

All amounts payable shall be calculated on the Gross Registered Tonnage (GRT) of each vessel. Harbour dues and light dues will be charged, where applicable inwards only per call or in the case of a vessel being laid up in Tonga, harbour and light dues will be payable every 3 months at full rates.

Pilotage dues shall be charged separately for inward journeys and separately for outward journeys and shall be payable whether or not a pilot is used. The minimum charge will be \$50 and the maximum charges will be \$500 for the inward journey, and the same minimum and maximum charge will be levied and paid separately for the outward journey.

CRUISE SHIPS

Vessels which arrive in Tonga in the course of a scheduled cruise and which may only embark or disembark passengers and their luggage.

Harbour Dues	\$0.06 per GRT
Light Dues	\$0.03 per GRT
Pilotage	\$0.055 per GRT

Provided that in the event of Cruise Ships belonging to the same Shipping Line making a total of between one and four visits in a calendar year only 75% of the Light Dues and Harbour Dues will be charged for such visits and further provided that if such ships make between five and eight visits in a calendar year only 50% of the Light Dues and Harbour Dues shall be charged, and for visits in excess of eight in a year, Light and Harbour Dues of 17½ shall be charged for such visits.

CARGO/PASSENGER SHIPS (FOREIGN GOING)

Vessels arriving in Tonga to unload and/or load cargo, and/or discharge and/or embark passengers.

Harbour Dues	\$0.06 per GRT
Light Dues	\$0.03 per GRT
Pilotage	\$0.055 per GRT

COASTING VESSELS (LOCAL) AND YACHTS

Including local registered vessels laid up or otherwise and vessels holding current coasting licenses (not being a temporary coasting license) and yachts.

Harbour Dues \$2.75 per GRT per calendar year or \$0.03 per GRT per month

Light Dues \$1.75 per GRT per calendar year or \$0.20 per GRT per month

OTHER SHIPS

In respect of other vessels half of the total dues required of cargo/passenger vessels shall be payable.

SECOND AND SUBSEQUENT PORT OF CALL

Vessels calling at a second and subsequent port in Tonga in the course of the same voyage, half the dues otherwise payable shall be payable.

BERTH HIRE (TONNAGE DUTY)

Berth hire chargeable on a vessel lying alongside a wharf.

Description of Vessels : Charge for each vessel's gross registered tonnage (GRT).

Each hour (part of an hour is to be regarded as 1 hour) that the vessel is alongside the wharf.

Passenger Vessels

– Local (With Coasting Licence) : \$0.01 per tonne (during loading/unloading)

– Overseas : \$0.65 per 100 tonnes (less than 100 tonnes is to be regarded as 100 tonnes).

Other Vessels

– Overseas & Local : \$0.01 per tonne

MOORING AND UNMOORING

For each operation of mooring or unmooring, when the service is rendered the following charges shall apply.

Normal Working Time	Outside Normal Working Time
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Vessels not exceeding 1000 GRT	\$30	\$50
Vessels exceeding 1000 GRT but not exceeding 15,000 GRT	\$90	\$110
Vessels exceeding 15000 GRT	\$110	\$140

REMOVAL CHARGES

Pilotage removal charge of \$100 will apply only if a pilot is used. This charge will cover both outward to another and return.

Mooring and Unmooring. At a rate of 25% of the normal mooring and unmooring rates will apply to vessels required to move to another.

MOORING IN A HARBOUR BASIN

The following charges will apply to all vessels moored in or using a harbour basin per annum or part thereof.

Vessels not exceeding 6 meters length	\$0
Vessels exceeding 6 meters in length	\$50 per annum
Vessels not exceeding 6 meters length but licenced for commercial purposes	\$50 per annum

PILOT DETENTION CHARGES

A charge of \$50.00 per hour but not exceeding \$500 per day will apply for time spent by the pilot waiting for a vessel at any time of day or night.

OTHER CHARGES

- (a) Fresh Water : Foreign going vessel including yachts, \$3 per 1000 litres or part thereof
- (b) Electricity : Vessels and/or agent to apply direct to the service provider
- (c) Telephone : Vessels and/or agent to apply direct to the service provider

WHARF CLEANING

Cruise vessels	\$ 15 per call
Cargo & Tender vessels not discharging cement	\$ 25 per call
Cargo vessel discharging cement	\$100 per call
Coasting vessel not exceeding 100 GRT or \$200	
Per Calendar year	\$ 3 per call
Coasting vessel exceeding 100 GRT or \$300 per Calendar year	\$ 8 per call

WATER SPACE RENTALS, PERMANENT MOORING OR MARINA BERTHS PERMIT FEES

A permit shall be issued by the Ministry prior to the installation of a mooring facility in a zoned harbour area in the Port of Neiafu as follows:

T\$50.00 annual mooring fee for all private boats that is not involved in commercial business;

T\$100.00 annual mooring fee for all commercial businesses except those who rent moorings;

T\$150.00 annual mooring fee to companies that are renting moorings only;

PLANTS & EQUIPMENT HIRE RATES

(cargo or goods at hirer's risk)

Note that waiting time is now charged at the hire rate

Forklift 3 tonne, per hour inclusive of waiting time	\$19.00
Forklift 5 tonne per hour inclusive of waiting time	\$21.00
Forklift 7 tonne per hour inclusive of waiting time	\$23.00
Forklift 25 tonne, per hour inclusive of waiting time	\$80.00
Drum Clamps per hour, single	\$5.00
Drum Clamps per hour, double	\$8.00
Tractor and trailer, per hour inclusive of waiting time (in	\$30.00

wharf area)

Tractor & trailer, per hour inclusive of waiting time (outside wharf area) \$41.00

Trailer, 20 tonne, per hour \$13.00

Cargo gear, wire slings, pallets, hand barrows, per hour per item \$0.80

STORAGE RATES AT OPEN AREAS OF GOVERNMENT WHARVES

Rates charged per unit of cargo or per container per day or part thereof after the first 24 hours shall be as follows:

1 unit of cargo or 20 foot container \$0.50

40 foot container \$1.00

WHARFAGE FEES

Wharfage where applicable shall be charged and collected by the Ministry.

Wharfage on petroleum products in bulk

Per 1000 litres or part thereof \$22.00

Wharfage fee per container \$110.00

Wharfage fee per tonne or part thereof \$4.30

PERFORMANCE BOND

Shipping companies or their agents wishing to use Government credit and port facilities/services shall lodge with the Ministry of Marine and Ports a performance bond or the equivalent in cash equivalent to the value of one ship's call fees. The performance bond or cash to be lodged with the Ministry shall not be less than \$10,000 except cruise vessels, research vessels and other non-commercial service vessels.

Made this 1 day of October, 2003.

James Cecil Cocker
Minister of Marine and Ports.