



*Tonga*

**PORTS MANAGEMENT FEES NOTICE  
2012**





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### **PORTS MANAGEMENT ACT**

*IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by section 13(2) of the Ports Management Act, the Minister for Marine and Ports with the consent of Cabinet makes the following Notice -*

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- 1 The Port Fees and Rates made on 1 October 2003 and published in the Gazette Supplement No.18 of 2004 is repealed.
  - 2 The Port Fees and Rates described in the Schedule hereto shall be effective in the Kingdom from 1 July 2012.

Made at Nukualofa this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June 2012.

Hon. SamiuVaipulu  
**Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Works and Transport**

## 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 \$150 and the maximum charges will be \$1500 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.

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| (a) | Harbour Dues | \$0.11 per GRT |
| (b) | Light Dues   | \$0.05 per GRT |
| (c) | Pilotage     | \$0.10 per GRT |

Provided that in the event of Cruise Ships belonging to the same Shipping Line making a total of three to five 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 six to eight visits in a calendar year only 50% of the Light Dues and Harbour Dues shall be charged, and for nine and above visits in a year, Light and Harbour Dues of 25% 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.

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| (a) | Harbour Dues | \$0.11 per GRT |
| (b) | Light Dues   | \$0.05 per GRT |
| (c) | Pilotage     | \$0.10 per GRT |

### YACHTS

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|-----|--------------|----------------|
| (a) | Harbour Dues | \$5.00 per GRT |
| (b) | Light Dues   | \$5.00 per GRT |

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

- (a) Harbour Dues \$5.00 per GRT per calendar year or \$0.05 per GRT per month
- (b) Light Dues \$3.10 per GRT per calendar year or \$0.40 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 of the dues 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 regard as 1 hour) that the vessel is alongside the wharf

#### **Passenger Vessels**

Local (With Coasting Licence):

\$0.03 per tonne (during loading/unloading)

Overseas:

\$3.00 per 100 tonnes (less than 100 tonnes is to be regarded as 100 tonnes)

#### **Other Vessels**

Overseas & Local:

\$0.02 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 (per hour or part thereof)	Outside Normal Working Time (per hour)
Vessels not exceeding 1000 GRT	\$10.00	\$20.00

Vessels exceeding 1000 GRT but not exceeding 15,000 GRT	\$15.00	\$25.00
Vessels exceeding 15000 GRT	\$20.00	\$30.00

### REMOVAL CHARGES

Pilotage removal charge of \$150.00 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 LIMIT

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

Vessels of 6 meters and above in length \$100.00 per annum

Vessels exceeding 6 meters length \$250.00 per annum

but licensed for commercial purposes

### PILOT DETENTION CHARGES

A charge of \$150.00 per hour but not exceeding \$1500.00 per day will apply for time spent by the pilot waiting for a vessel at any time of day or night.

### OVERTIME RATE

A charge of \$50.00 per day to be paid by all customers who will need the service of Marine & Ports personnel's after hours.

### OTHER CHARGES

- (a) Fresh Water: Foreign going vessel including yachts, \$75.00 per usage per vessel
- (b) Electricity: Vessels and/or agent to apply direct the rates from service provider
- (c) Telephone: Vessels and/or agent to apply direct the rates from service provider

### WHARF CLEANING- FOREIGN GOING

Cruise vessels \$40.00 per call

Cargo & Tender vessels not discharging cement \$60.00 per call

Cargo vessel discharging cement \$150.00 per call

**WHARF CLEANING – LOCAL**

Coasting vessel not exceeding 100 GRT or \$200 per calendar year	\$10.00 per call
Coasting vessel exceeding 100 GRT or \$300 per calendar year	\$60.00 per call

**WATER SPACE RENTALS, PERMANENT MOORING OR  
MARINA BERTHS PERMIT FEES**

Rental for use of Buildings, Ports Areas and other facilities will be charged at \$10 per square meter per month or part thereof.

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:

- (a) \$100.00 annual mooring fee for all private boats that is not involved in commercial business;
- (b) \$200.00 annual mooring fee for all commercial businesses except those who rent moorings;
- (c) \$300.00 annual mooring fee to companies that are renting moorings only.

**PLANTS & EQUIPMENT HIRE RATES/HOUR**  
(cargo or goods at hirer's risk)

Note that waiting time is now charged at the hire rate:

Side lifter for plants	\$100.00
Forklift 3 tonne, per hour inclusive of waiting time	\$35.00
Forklift 5 tonne per hour inclusive of waiting time	\$45.00
Forklift 7 tonne per hour inclusive of waiting time	\$55.00
Forklift 12 tonne per hour inclusive of waiting time	\$100.00
Forklift 20 tonne, per hour inclusive of waiting time	\$100.00
Forklift 30 tonne, per hour inclusive of waiting time	\$120.00
Drum Clamps per hour, single	\$12.00
Drum Clamps per hour, double	\$24.00
Tractor and trailer, per hour inclusive of waiting time (in wharf area)	\$40.00
Tractor & trailer, per hour inclusive of waiting time (outside wharf area)	\$45.00
Trailer, 20 tonne, per hour	\$25.00
Cargo gear, wire slings, pallets, hand barrows, per hour per item	\$10.00

**STORAGE RATES AT OPEN AND RESTRICTED AREAS OF  
GOVERNMENT WHARVES**

Rates charged per unit of cargo or per container per day or part thereof shall be as follows:

20 foot Incoming container (empty)	\$3.00 (free for the first 5 working days, calculate from the date of arrival of discharging vessels)
20 foot Outgoing container (empty)	\$3.00 ( free the first 5 working days, calculate from the date of receiving the container into the wharf for export)
20 foot Incoming container (full)	\$15.00 (free for the first 14 working days, calculate from the date of arrival of discharging vessels)
20 foot Outgoing container (full)	\$15.00 (free for the first 14 working days, calculate from the date of receiving the container into the wharf for export)
40 foot Incoming container (empty)	\$5.00 (free for the first 5 working days, calculate from the date of arrival of discharging vessels)
40 foot Outgoing container (empty)	\$5.00 (free for the first 5 working days, calculate from the date of receiving the container into the wharf for export)
40 foot Incoming container (full)	\$30.00 (free for the first 14 working days, calculate from the date of arrival of discharging vessels)
40 foot Outgoing container (full)	\$30.00 (free for the first 14 working days, calculate from the date of receiving the container into the wharf for export)
Break-bulk items, cements etc	\$3.00 (free for first 14 working days, calculate from the date of receiving items to the wharf either from imports or for exports)
Commercial Vehicle and cars	\$10.00 (free for the first 14 working days, calculate from the date of receiving vehicle to the wharf either from imports or for exports)
Heavy Plant and Machinery	\$5.00 (free for the first 14 working



days, calculate from the date of receiving Heavy Plant and Machinery to the wharf either from imports or for exports)

### **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	\$30.00
Wharfage fee per container (TEU)-20FT	\$150.00
Wharfage fee per container (FEU)-40FT	\$200.00
Wharfage fee per tonne or part thereof	\$6.00

### **PERFORMANCE BOND**

Shipping companies or their agents wishing to use Government credit and port facilities/services shall lodge with the Ministry of Transport 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 noncommercial service vessels.