



**PORT OF
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Section A – Vessels Charges

Notes to Vessel Charges:

- (a) Unless otherwise stated, Vessel Dues are payable per Gross Tonne (GT) for each period of 5 days or part thereof during which the vessel is within port limits
- (b) Vessel Dues under sections I, II, IV, V, VII, VIII and IX are payable in full for 1 charging period, thereafter a charge equating to 25% of the relevant charge per period will be payable
- (c) Unless otherwise stated, Berth Dues are payable per Gross Tonne (GT) for each period of 5 days or part thereof during which the vessel is alongside Wharfs or Quays owned or operated by the Port of Cromarty Firth
- (d) Please contact owners or operators of 3rd party Wharfs or Quays for their relevant facility charge
- (e) Charges specified under sections I-IX to be levied on vessels of 50GT and over entering the Port Limits
- (f) Charges are exclusive of V.A.T. Where applicable, V.A.T. will be charged
- (g) Volume discounts or rebates may be applied as deemed appropriate by the Authority
- (h) Rigs in firth beyond 90 days subject to additional Crown Estate charge (£36.67 per day)

COMMERCIAL VESSELS

I	Crude Oil Tankers		Vessel Due £	Berth Due £
	Involved in any activity	Per GT	0.19	0.19
II	FPSO's		Vessel Due £	Berth Due £
		Per GT	0.19	0.19
III	Semi-Submersible Oil Rigs Including Jack up Rigs		Vessel Due £	Berth Due £
	Rigs with draft of less than 14M	Per Day	618	1815
	Rigs with draft of more than 14M	Per Day	618	2143
	Rigs anchored outside Sutors	Per Day	411	n/a
IV	Platform Supply Vessels/Anchor Handling Vessels/Diving Support Vessels/Offshore Stand-By/Seismic Vessels/Offshore Maintenance Vessel		Vessel Due £	Berth Due £
		Per GT	0.51	0.51
V	Pipelay Vessels		Vessel Due £	Berth Due £
		Per GT	0.37	0.37

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VI	Cruise Vessels – for each 1 day period or part thereof		Vessel Due £	Berth Due £
	Vessels less than 50,000GT (subject to minimum charge based on 25,000GT)	Per GT	0.17	0.17
	Vessels more than 50,000GT (payable up to 100,000GT above which, 50% of relevant due applies)	Per GT	0.22	0.22
Cancellation charge: Cruise vessels which cancel a berth (or are unable to berth due to unforeseen events such as adverse weather conditions etc.) within 48 hours of booked arrival will be liable for any external costs associated with berthing which have been incurred by PoCF (open book basis)				
VII	Tugs owned by operators stationed within the firth (all other tugs Section IX applies)		Vessel Due £	Berth Due £
		Per GT	0.19	0.19
VIII	Dredgers involved in operations within the Port		Vessel Due £	Berth Due £
		Per GT	0.19	0.19
IX	General Cargo Shipping/Other Vessels (per Tonne where GT unavailable)		Vessel Due £	Berth Due £
		Per GT	0.61	0.61
X	Floating Offshore Wind Structures /Caissons		Vessel Due £	Berth Due £
	Demo Units	Per Day	£361	£1,815
	Other Units	Per Day	£462	£1,815
XI	Small Vessel Charges (<50GT)			£
	Per commercial movement within Port Limits			12.19
	Berthing Fee per meter length or part thereof per month whilst occupying a PoCF berth – minimum charge 5M			8.87

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Section B – Pilotage Charges

I	A charge calculated in accordance with the scale below is payable for the piloting of a vessel inwards or outwards the Pilotage District to or from either an anchorage, buoy or berth and for each piloted movement within the harbour. Pilotage rates apply for movements of up to 4 hours, beyond which, additional charges apply. Where additional pilots are required for a movement, an additional charge will be levied per 'Additional hours thereafter' below.		
			£
	On the first 10,000 certified GT at	Per gross tonne	0.20
	On the next 10,000 certified GT at	Per gross tonne	0.16
	Between 20,000 and 50,000 GT at	Per gross tonne	0.08
	And thereafter at	Per gross tonne	0.01
	Additional hours thereafter	Per hour	209.00
II	Mobile offshore drilling units or similar - up to 4 hours	Per movement	2,627
	Additional hours thereafter	Per hour	209.00
III	Pilotage Exemption Charges		£
	A levy of 10% of the full pilotage charge (based on GT) for exemption holder pilotage acts will apply as a contribution to the maintenance of the pilotage service - should a licensed CFPA pilot be employed, full tariff will apply		
	Cost of Pilotage Exemption Certificate (inclusive of examination fees)		645.00
	Annual renewal cost thereafter		132.00
	Temporary Pilotage exemption for limited areas in the Firth maximum period 14 days		262.50
IV	Minimum Charge for the services of a pilot		£
	Per movement		325.00
V	Cancellation Charge		£
	Pilot ordered and cancelled within one hour of ordered time, prior to boarding launch/vessel to be piloted		219.00
	Pilot cancelled following boarding of launch or vessel to be piloted		Full charge applies as per section I-IV
Notes on Pilotage Charges			
	(a)	Pilotage charge for moving vessels from berth to berth within the Port Limits will qualify for a 30% discount on the above rates where a pilot boat is not utilised - subject to minimum charge detailed in section IV	
	(b)	Where Pilots are over-carried outside the pilotage area or retained on board in unusual circumstances, an additional charge will be levied per 'Additional hours thereafter' (noted above) will apply until disembarkation. All expenses incurred will also be rechargeable	
	(c)	Where support vessels are used for towing and moving vessels or structures, full pilotage will apply to the primary vessel with a 70% charge being levied to all support vessels	

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Section C – Ancillary Charges

I	Weighbridge		£
	Bulk Cargoes	Per completed weighing	7.30
	Individual Weighing	Per completed weighing	15.40
	Minimum Charge at Saltburn Pier	Total	91.35
	Cancellation (within 6 hours of operation taking place)	Total	91.35
II	Mooring Gangs		£
	Vessel mooring gangs (other than offshore units) from 0800 to 1700	per man per 2 hours or part thereof	75.20
	Out-with core hours quoted above	per man per 2 hours or part thereof	113.60
	Machinery involved in mooring gang operations charged at cost + 10%		
	Cancellation of pre-arranged mooring gang within 2 hours of the arranged time will be charged at 2/3rds of the rates specified above		
III	Ad-Hoc Labour/Offshore Unit Mooring Gangs for PoCF Staff		£
	Standard Charge (0800-1700 hours Monday to Friday)	per man per hour or part thereof	45.40
	Overtime Charge (Minimum charge of 2 hours)	per man per hour or part thereof	67.20
	Cancellation of pre-arranged labour hire within 2 hours of the arranged time will be charged at 2/3rds of the rates specified above (minimum 2 hour period)		

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IV	Water Charges		£
	Water delivered from PoCF facilities	per tonne	3.80
	Equipment Charge incl meter, stand pipe & max 50M hose – applies for deliveries of more than 5 tonnes	per day	19.30
	Labour charge - No charge to be levied where delivery is less than 5 tonnes and in addition delivery occurs between 0800 and 1700 hours Monday to Friday or if connection/disconnection is made by mooring gang - otherwise charges apply as per section C (III). This charge is not applicable to vessels less than 50GT for own vessel consumption during normal working hours Monday to Friday.		
	Pump and hoses for lifting potable water to deck level – cost + 10%		
V	Fuel or Oil Deliveries – available ex-pipeline at PoCF facilities		£
	Fuel delivered by road tanker on PoCF property	per tanker	123.30
		per trailer	61.70
	Fuel Bowsers	Per day or part thereof	9.20
VI	Security Guards		£
	Provision of security guards – minimum 6 hour charge	per man per hour	p.o.a.
	Security card replacement charge	per card	33.70
	Security Embarking or Disembarking	> 6 PAX	960.00
	Embarkation Fee	Per PAX	62.50
VII	Gangways	£	
	Rig Access Brows – available via loan agreement	per day or part thereof	-
	Ships Gangways – available via loan agreement	per day or part thereof	-
VIII	Yokohama Fender Hire	£	
	1.5M x 3.0M (nominal)	per day each	123.60
	Other Fenders	Cost + 10%	
	Repairs to Fenders to clients account – cost + 10%		
	Mobilisation and Demobilisation and associated costs the responsibility of the hirer		

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IX	Administration Charge		£
	For granting approvals for works licences, HSE/Other Investigations, dredging licences, works licences and other licences under The Cromarty Firth Port Order Confirmation Act 1973	per hour or part thereof	141.60
X	Licence fees based on scale and nature of project		p.o.a.
XI	Seabed Survey / Diving Recovery		£
	A diving survey of the seabed will be carried out immediately prior to and after departure of the rig. This will include the subsequent recovery of any foreign objects found on the seabed including disposal. All associated costs will be charged to the client		Cost + 10%
XII	Other goods or services provided by PoCF		Cost + 10%
XIII	Requests for Environmental Information – applicable from 03/08/2023		
	Requests for Environmental Information may be subject to a charge, which we may require from you in advance of commencing work on your request. Where we charge a fee, this will be based on the following rates:		
	Service		Charge
	Staff costs in collecting information (per hour excl VAT)		£28.10
	Providing information by email		No charge
	Providing information by post		Cost of postage
	Printing / photocopying (black and white)		[10p] per sheet A4 [20p] per sheet A3
	Printing / photocopying (colour)		[20p] per sheet A4 [40p] per sheet A3
	PoCF reserve the right to waive the fee where we consider it appropriate to do so		
	PoCF will not charge a fee where we are not providing you with any information in response to your request		

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Section D - Property

I	Open Storage		£
	Up to 25M from Quayside	per sqm/wk or part thereof	1.70
	Project/Working/Storage areas excluding Quayside areas	per sqm/wk or part thereof	1.45
II	Covered Storage – subject to availability		p.o.a.
III	Temporary Office Facilities – subject to availability		p.o.a.
IV	Portable Accommodation		£
	PoCF Security Cabins		
	Day 1		296.60
	Subsequent Days		33.70
Notes on Portable Accommodation			
	(a)	Externally sourced Security Cabins	Cost + 10%
	(b)	Mob/Demob	Cost + 10%
	(c)	Additional furniture/items	Cost + 10%
	(d)	Connection to mains electricity, diesel generators, generator hire cost	Cost + 10%
	(e)	Janitorial services	Cost + 10%
	(f)	Connection of toilets to potable water supply and local authority drains and metered water	Cost + 10%
	(g)	Minimum hire period 3 weeks – 7 days’ notice to off-hire externally sourced units	

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Section E – Crane/Mobile Plant

I	Crane/Forklift/Loading Shovel Licences		£
	All craneage/forklifts/loading shovels working on Port premises should be fit for purpose and licensed and must satisfy the Port Authority on health, safety and suitability grounds. Your attention is drawn to Crane/Forklift Licence Operating Conditions as detailed on Annual/Daily Crane/Forklift Licences		
	Annual Licence	Per SWL of crane/forklift	43.80
	6 Month Licence	Per SWL of crane/forklift	26.30
	Daily Licence – day 1	Per SWL of crane/forklift	2.00
	Daily Licence - subsequent days	Per SWL of crane/forklift	0.85
	Loading Shovels	Per Day	70.80
Notes on Crane Licences			
	(a)	Daily licences if required can be obtained, giving reasonable notice, during normal working hours Monday – Friday.	
	(b)	6 monthly licences are available covering the periods January- June or July to December only	
II	Crane/Forklift/Loading Shovel Storage Charges		£
	Storage charge for plant not actively involved in jobs/projects	Per day	30.10

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