

## RATE BOOK OF DUES

### FOR LIGHTHOUSES AND RESCUE SERVICES

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS

**Article 1-** Coastal Safety and Salvage Administrations is responsible for lighthouses, radio beacons, seamarks, foghorns as well as coastal safety equipment and rescue stations already established or yet to be established on Turkish coasts in monopoly.

The administration shall establish and operate any systems and facilities at Turkish Straits on monopoly basis for the purpose of ensuring safe navigation, make investments necessary for achieving such purpose, as well as fulfills any constructions, repairs, revisions, expansions, and outfitting of those facilities.

Against these services, ships shall pay dues for lighthouses and rescue services as per this rate book, on basis of NT, according to their voyage status.

#### SCOPE OF THE RATE BOOK

**Article 2-** Provisions of this rate book shall apply for any Turkish or foreign flag ships as well as any vessels towed by them, and their masters, ship-owners, and agencies, whether they conduct a commercial operation or not, which ships having entered or exited from the Strait of Çanakkale or the Strait of İstanbul, or having passed through Turkish Straits and Marmara Sea so as to make non-stopover passage from a foreign port to sail for another foreign port, without entering any Turkish port, or without changing their non-stopover status under legislation, regulations, and other directives, or which ships having entered or exited from any Turkish ports or wharves located between or outside of the Straits, or operating within the boundaries of any Turkish port.

Tables indicating dues and fees are integral part of this rate book, in implementing any and all provisions thereof.

#### DEFINITIONS

##### DUES FOR LIGHTHOUSE AND RESCUE SERVICES

**Article 3-** Please find below the services being subject to dues payable for lighthouse and rescue services.

##### A) Lighthouses:

Items of services subject to dues for lighthouses shall include lighthouses, radio beacons, foghorns, lighted-unlighted buoys, passage (fairway) buoys, and other services coming under general lighthouse works, etc.

Vessels shall have to pay 10 sorts of dues for lighthouse as follows:

- 1- Dues for non-stopover voyage.
- 2- Dues for entry from the strait of Çanakkale.
- 3- Dues for exit from the strait of Çanakkale
- 4- Dues for entry from the strait of İstanbul
- 5- Dues for exit from the strait of İstanbul
- 6- Dues for entry to ports or wharves.
- 7- Dues for exit from ports or wharves.
- 8- Annual fees for ships operating within the boundaries of a port.
- 9- Annual fees for Turkish Flag ships, with a tonnage of up to 100 – 300 NT (excluding 300 NT), operating between Turkish Ports and wharves.
- 10- Fees to apply for ships having obtained a yacht registration certificate.

##### B) Rescue Services:

Items of services subject to dues for rescue services shall include rescue boats or rowboats, rocket stations, and in general any other services, etc. coming under rescue services.

Ships shall have to pay 3 sorts of dues for rescue services:

- 1- Dues for non-stopover voyage.
- 2- Dues for entry from the strait of İstanbul

3- Dues for exit from the strait of İstanbul.

## STRAITS REGIME

### NON-STOPOVER VOYAGES

#### Article 4-

a) Dues for lighthouses and rescue services as listed in item 1 of table I and II, contained in the tables of dues with number 1 and 2 of the rate book, are for double-passage from the Straits. (i.e. for one passage from Aegean Sea to Black Sea and vice-versa, or one passage from Black Sea through the Straits to Aegean Sea and vice-versa.)

b) Nevertheless, if a commercial vessel passes through the straits so as to return to Aegean Sea or Black Sea, as the case may be, later than 6 months as from its entry to the straits for one passage, then such vessel shall pay relevant fees and dues for the second time and fully, notwithstanding to any difference thereof.

c) If a commercial vessel declares in its departure passage that it would not return in non-stopover, one half of the dues only shall be paid by such vessel.

Those vessels that have returned in non-stopover in contravention to their previous declaration shall be subject to full-payment of non-stopover dues.

d) For a vessel that has initially passed in non-stopover, but not returned so, a difference fee shall be paid according to its voyage status.

e) If a vessel does not return in non-stopover, despite of the fact that it had initially passed in non-stopover, any of non-stopover dues shall not be giving back. If a vessel completed its free voyage which has initially passed in non-stopover and in case that it has already made a payment for its free passage, one half of such non-stopover dues shall be paid back to such vessel.

f) If those vessels that sail from a foreign port to another foreign port, without calling in at any port throughout the straits and Marmara Sea, in non-stopover, back up with documentary proof their activities concerning particular requirements such as deaths, illnesses, changes of seamen, leave or agency contact, bunkering, provision supply, repairs of faults and deficiencies, etc., which may occur during a period of 48 hours when they could stay at anchorage area as indicated in article 23 of the regulations, on condition that they would obtain necessary permission from the Vessel Traffic Service for the purpose of providing their needs, then their non-stopover status does not become invalid (for vessels to which a certificate of seaworthiness has not been issued by the harbor master's office, in this connection.)

### EXEMPTIONS

**Article 5-** The following vessels are held exempted from dues for lighthouses and rescue services

a) Foreign flag vessels with a Net Register Tonnage of up to 30 tons (excluding NT of 30 tons).

b) Turkish flag vessels with a Net Register Tonnage of up to 100 tons (excluding NT of 100 tons).

c) Turkish flag fishing and sponges' vessels with a Net Register Tonnage of up to 300 tons (excluding NT of 300 tons).

d) Battle ships, ships with pennant, as well as scientific research and training (school) ships.

e) Floating docks, off shore docks, etc. that is not counted as ships.

f) Vessels towed by such ships operating within the boundaries of a port and being subject to annual fee.

g) Changes of location within the same port for voyage of entry, or entry-exit circumstances within the same port during loading, unloading of those ships, having already paid up port entry dues.

h) Those ships that have taken refuge or called in at ports and dockyards for such reasons as bearing away to leeward, accident, or breakdown; that have entered into shipyard for any kind of repair – maintenance works; and that have evidenced, in this connection, by virtue of documents (Customs entry-exit letter of inquiry, a letter of harbor master's office, Certificate of Seaworthiness as well as any other documentation, if requested by Administration) to be obtained from relevant official bodies that they would not intend to conduct any commercial activities, will become exempted from port dues only. Any documentation concerning the exemption must be sent not later than 30 days as from the port departure date, otherwise the matter will not be handled as an exemption case and provisions of Article 14 hereof shall apply.

i) Those ships that have lost their non-stopover status due to bearing away to leeward, breakdown, and accident shall be exempted from port dues, but pay a difference rate only.

j) Dues payable for such vessels with a tonnage exceeding tonnage of exemption shall be calculated on basis of their total net tonnage.

k) Those ships that have to enter into the straits or taken refuge in any ports, due to bad weather conditions, shall be held exempted from the straits and port dues, upon submitting such documents (revenue record and report of meteorology of the Vessel Traffic Service; Certificate of Seaworthiness, anchorage order from the Harbor Master's Office), on condition that they obtain necessary permissions from relevant authorities. Any documents requested in connection with the exemption must be forwarded not later than 30 days, otherwise the matter will not be handled as an exemption case and provisions of Article 14 hereof shall apply.

### BASIS OF NET TONNAGE

**Article 6-**

- a) Calculation of lighthouses and rescue service dues shall be based on such net tonnage as indicated in the International Tonnage Measurement Certificate, 1969, or in the records of Lloyd Register.
- b) Certificate of measurement must be presented during payments.

If it would be inapplicable to present a certificate of measurement, then calculated tonnage on basis of which any realized and collected dues or fees are determined by relevant official departments, shall be complied with.

- c) Any remainder weights including and exceeding half a ton shall be rounded up.

**PAYMENT OF DUES**

**NON-STOPOVER VOYAGES**

**Article 7-** Such vessels passing through in non-stopover as defined herein, shall pay non-stopover dues in 7 calendar days commencing from the day of their initial passage to the Strait of Çanakkale or the Strait of İstanbul. However, if the payment is due on an official holiday, non-stopover dues shall be fulfilled on the following business day.

**ENTRANCES TO THE STRAITS**

**Article 8-** Vessels calling in at any Turkish port after having entered into from the Strait of Çanakkale or the Strait of İstanbul shall pay relevant dues for entrance to the straits, in 7 calendar days. Vessels that, after having entered into the straits, do not call in at any Turkish port and proceed to sail to a foreign port shall make their payment of dues for passage through the straits in 7 calendar days commencing from the day of initial passage to the strait. However, if the payment becomes due on an official holiday, the relevant payment must be made on the following business day.

**EXITS FROM THE STRAITS**

**Article 9-** Vessels that have exited the Strait of Çanakkale or the Strait of İstanbul shall pay their dues in 7 calendar days since the date of exit. If the payment of dues for exit from the straits becomes due on an official holiday, the relevant payment must be made on the following business day.

**ENTRIES INTO PORTS OR WHARVES**

**Article 10-** Entrance dues to port or wharves shall be paid in 7 calendar days since the date of entrance. However, if the payment becomes due on an official holiday, the relevant payment may be made on the following business day.

**EXITS FROM PORTS OR WHARVES**

**Article 11-** Port exits dues of vessels which exited port and wharves, shall be paid before leaving the port and wharf. (Dues for exit may be paid together with the payment of dues for entry). 7 calendar days delays between the registered day of exit from the port and payment maturity shall not be subjected to penalty. If the payment becomes due on an official holiday the relevant payment may be made on the following business day.

**ANNUAL FEES**

**Article 12-**

- a) Annual fees become due at the end of June every year.
- b) Those vessels that have been put into service during the period of payment of annual fees shall pay such amount in full. However, those vessels that have been put into service after the period of payment of annual fees had elapsed shall pay no fees for that year.
- c) If such Turkish Flag ships operating between Turkish ports and wharves, and having paid their annual fees for 100 to 300 NT (excluding 300 NT), reach in any foreign port they shall make payments as per table of dues no.2;

If such Turkish Flag ships operating within the boundaries of a port, and having paid their annual fees for including and over 300 NT, reach in any Turkish port they shall make payments as per table of dues no.3, or if having reached in any foreign port as per table of dues no.2.

**METHODS AND TERMS OF PAYMENT**

**Article 13-**

- a) If the ships have entered into or departed from such ports or wharves where there is no collection office of dues for lighthouse and rescue services, then any dues for those services shall be paid at a port or wharf where they may first call in, without any penalty interest. However, those ships having intended to depart from any Turkish port for any foreign port must pay necessary port and quay dues prior to their departure from such port or wharf, disregarding that whether any collection office of dues for lighthouse and rescue services is available at such port or wharf.
- b) At the time of payment of dues for lighthouse and rescue services in collection offices a declaration must be submitted stating the relevant ship's name, flag, call sign, type, NT and GT, location and date of arrival and departure. In addition to this declaration, any documentation for transactions executed in previous ports and wharves must be presented.
- c) If the ships coming from Turkish ports not submit such receipts obtained from the port of departure where a collection office of dues for

lighthouse and rescue services is available, then the matter shall be inquired from the collection offices of dues for lighthouse and rescue services located at the port of arrival, to ensure documentary proof of payment for the port of departure, for which any communication fees are covered by those ships.

- d) Ships must pay any dues payable according to their voyage status, in any collection office, within the prescribed period of time as specified in the rate book.

Payments of such dues could be made to the bank account of the General Management of Coastal Safety and Salvage Administrations. However, in such case, the relevant ship-owner, agency or other concerned parties must present to the General Management of Coastal Safety and Salvage Administrations any statement of payment and declaration indicating the voyage status of the vessel (ship's name, call sign, net tonnage, flag, type, location and date of arrival and departure), not later than 1 day prior to such ship's departure.

- e) Those Turkish Flag ships departing from any Turkish port to any foreign port shall pay their dues for passage from the Straits as per the table of dues no.2, depending upon the dues for exit from the last departed Turkish port or wharf as well as the ship's voyage status.

- f) Those Turkish Flag ships arriving in any Turkish port from any foreign port shall pay their dues for passage from the Straits as per the table of dues no.2, depending upon the dues for entry into the first arrived Turkish port or wharf as well as the ship's voyage status.

- g) Ship-owner, agency, or other concerned parties may make deposit payments for dues for lighthouse and rescue services, in Turkish Lira or American Dollar.

If such deposit amount covers all the debts accrued upon the ship, then any transactions to collect and enter this sum to the account shall be made without applying penalty interest. Otherwise, i.e. if such deposited amount is not sufficient to cover the debts fully, then any transactions to collect and enter this sum to the account shall be made subject to a penalty interest.

- h) Unit prices for such services as listed in the tables of dues in the rate book are the Turkish Lira equivalent sum of the foreign exchange buying rate for 1 US Dollar, as issued by the Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey.

For payments settled down in respective due dates, the foreign exchange buying rate applicable at the time of payment shall be taken as basis; whereas, for payments not settled down in respective due dates, the foreign currency buying rate applicable on the next day following maturity date for such payments shall apply.

#### PENALTY CLAUSE

##### PRACTICE

**Article 14-** Those vessels that have not settled down their payments of dues for lighthouse and rescue services within the prescribed period of duration, in such manner, method, and way as specified in the provisions of the rate book, shall be deemed to be fugitive, for which the following practices proceed:

- 1- By addition of 1.40% to the basic rate, for payments fulfilled in 30 calendar days following the maturity date for such payments.
- 2- By addition of 50% to the basic rate, for payments within the period of duration of 31 up to 60 days following the maturity date for such payments, followed by a further 1.40% addition over the basic rate (in addition to the penalty interest at the rate of 50%) for payments up to 30 days successively.
- 3- If those ships considered as fugitive make their payments at the time of their new voyages, within the prescribed period of duration as specified in the rate book, then no penalty clause shall apply.
- 4- For any net tonnages declared deficient and any short payments according to the voyage status, by dues-payers before collection offices, such deficient and missing values shall be completed within the prescribed period of duration as specified in the rate book.

Otherwise, the penalty clauses contained in the rate book shall apply.

- 5- If it is found that a deficient or wrong payment has been made despite of the fact that the dues-payer had submitted to the collection offices any information and documents in accordance with the provisions of the rate book, then the original dues shall be collected in the same amount, without any penalty interest. However, in the event that no payment has been made within the period of duration as indicated in the statement given to the dues-payer, the penalty clauses contained in the rate book shall apply.

#### DEFAULT OF PAYMENT

**Article 15-** Provisions of Decree with number 233 as well as article 15 of the Law on Ports numbered 618 shall apply for those ships, their ship-owners, masters, and agencies that have not paid up dues for lighthouse and rescue services, in accordance with the stipulations of the rate book. Masters, ship-owners, and agencies shall be held liable jointly for dues and penalties.

For such ships damaging to any lighthouses, buoys, radio beacons, control stations as well as any facilities belonging to the Administration, the provisions of article 15 of the Law numbered 618 shall apply. This will proceed unless any and all damages are fulfilled and guarantee issued. By virtue of article 15 of the Law numbered 618 the master, ship-owner, and agency is liable for such damages.

(Table of Dues No: 1)

## TABLE 1 : TABLE OF DUES FOR LIGHTHOUSES AND RESCUE

**SERVICES FOR FOREIGN COMMERCIAL VESSELS**

<b>A-LIGHTHOUSES</b>	<b>Foreign Currency</b>	<b>Per Net Tonnage</b>	
		<b>Up to 800 NT</b>	<b>Over 800 NT</b>
<b>1- Non-stopover voyages (Entry-Exit)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0,338646</b>	<b>0,169323</b>
<b>2-Through The Strait of Çanakkale (Entry)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0,216</b>	<b>0,108</b>
<b>3-Through The Strait of Çanakkale (Exit)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0,216</b>	<b>0,108</b>
<b>4-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Entry)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0,216</b>	<b>0,108</b>
<b>5-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Exit)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0,216</b>	<b>0,108</b>
<b>6-To Ports or Quays (Entry)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0,192</b>	<b>0,096</b>
<b>7-From Ports or Quays (Exit)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0,192</b>	<b>0,096</b>

**TABLE 1 : DUES FOR RESCUE SERVICES**

<b>B- RESCUE SERVICES</b>		<b>Per Net Tonnage</b>
<b>1- Non-stopover voyages (Entry-Exit)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0,08063</b>
<b>2-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Entry)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0,108</b>
<b>3-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Exit)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0,108</b>

(Table of Dues No: 2)

**TABLE 2 : TABLE OF DUES FOR LIGHTHOUSES AND RESCUE SERVICES FOR FOREIGN FLAG PASSENGERS SHIPS**

A- LIGHTHOUSES	Foreign Currency	Per Net Tonnage	
		Up to 800 NT	Over 800 NT
1- Non-stopover voyages (Entry-Exit)	\$	0,338646	0,169323
2-Through The Strait of Çanakkale (Entry)	\$	0,1728	0,0864
3-Through The Strait of Çanakkale (Exit)	\$	0,1728	0,0864
4-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Entry)	\$	0,1728	0,0864
5-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Exit)	\$	0,1728	0,0864
6-To Ports or Quays (Entry)	\$	0,1536	0,0768
7-From Ports or Quays (Exit)	\$	0,1536	0,0768

**TABLE 2 : DUES FOR RESCUE SERVICES**

B- RESCUE SERVICES		Per Net Tonnage
1- Non-stopover voyages (Entry-Exit)	\$	0,08063
2-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Entry)	\$	0,0864
3-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Exit)	\$	0,0864

**TABLE 3 : TABLE OF DUES FOR LIGHTHOUSES AND RESCUE**

**SERVICES FOR TURKISH FLAG (EXCLUDING CABOTAGE) SHIPS**

A- LIGHTHOUSES	Foreign Currency	Per Net Tonnage	
		Up to 800 NT	Over 800 NT
1- Non-stopover voyages (Entry-Exit)	\$	0,338646	0,169323
2-Through The Strait of Çanakkale (Entry)	\$	0,1728	0,0864
3-Through The Strait of Çanakkale (Exit)	\$	0,1728	0,0864
4-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Entry)	\$	0,1728	0,0864
5-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Exit)	\$	0,1728	0,0864
6-To Ports or Quays (Entry)	\$	0,10752	0,05376
7-From Ports or Quays (Exit)	\$	0,10752	0,05376

**TABLE 3 : DUES FOR RESCUE SERVICES**

B- RESCUE SERVICES		Per Net Tonnage
1- Non-stopover voyages (Entry-Exit)	\$	0,08063
2-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Entry)	\$	0,0864
3-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Exit)	\$	0,0864

(Table of Dues No :3)

**TABLE 4 : TABLE OF DUES FOR LIGHTHOUSES AND RESCUE SERVICES FOR TURKISH FLAG SHIPS OPERATING UNDER TURKISH CABOTAGE**

A- LIGHTHOUSES	Foreign Currency	Per Net Tonnage	
		Up to 800 NT	Over 800 NT
2-Through The Strait of Çanakkale (Entry)	\$	0,060	0,030
3-Through The Strait of Çanakkale (Exit)	\$	0,060	0,030
4-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Entry)	\$	0,060	0,030
5-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Exit)	\$	0,060	0,030
6-To Ports or Quays (Entry)	\$	0,0336	0,0168
7-From Ports or Quays (Exit)	\$	0,0336	0,0168

**TABLE 4 : DUES FOR RESCUE SERVICES**

B- RESCUE SERVICES		Per Net Tonnage
2-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Entry)	\$	0,030
3-Through The Strait of İstanbul (Exit)	\$	0,030

**TABLES OF DUES FOR LIGHTHOUSES AND RESCUE SERVICE**

**TABLE OF DUES FOR FOREIGN FLAG YACHTS**

**TABLE OF DUES NO: 5**



<b>NET TONNAGE</b>	<b>TO BE COLLECTED (\$)</b>
<b>30-50</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>51-100</b>	<b>72</b>
<b>101 and above, per ton</b>	<b>1,2</b>

1- This will apply for foreign flag yachts awarded with a yacht registration certificate by Turkish ports.

2- Those dues will apply on every reception of a yacht registration certificate (Transitlog).

#### **TABLE OF DUES FOR VESSELS SUBJECT TO ANNUAL FEES**

TABLE OF DUES NO: 6

<b>ANNUAL FEE</b>	<b>Unit Price Per Net Ton (\$)</b>
	<b>0,72</b>

This is the rate book for vessels with a weight of 100 to 300 Net tons (excluding 300 NT), operating between Turkish ports and quays. These dues must be paid until the end of June every year.