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RATES AND CHARGES 2009

Although the Rates and Charges at Aberdeen Harbour for 2009 have increased from 2008 levels, the last increase in the main charges occurred in 2001.

It means that since the early 1980s, the charges on ships and goods have risen by only 20%, against an increase of 164% in inflation.

The Harbour Board are also continuing with the strategy of investing in maximising the use of resources and evolving facilities to meet users' changing requirements and new opportunities.

There is a budget of around £65 million for capital expenditure in the current five-year plan to 2013, following expenditure of over £150 million since the 1970s. All profits are reinvested.

Aberdeen annually handles around 5.0 million tonnes of cargo, worth over £1.5 billion, and injects over £100 million into the economy.

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CHARGES FOR VESSELS

COMMERCIAL VESSELS

I. VESSELS TO OR FROM PORTS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND COUNTRIES OF THE EUROPEAN UNION.

	For each period of 7 days or part thereof during which the vessel is in the harbour	£
(a)	Tankers	per gross tonne 0.24
(b)	Other vessels	per gross tonne 0.38

II. VESSELS ENGAGED IN THE PROVISION OF SERVICES AND THE SUPPLY OF MATERIALS FOR OFFSHORE OIL OR OTHER SIMILAR OPERATIONS.

	For each period of 7 days or part thereof during which the vessel is in the harbour	
		per gross tonne 0.38

III. VESSELS TO OR FROM ANY OTHER PORT

	For each period of 7 days or part thereof during which the vessel is in the harbour	
		per gross tonne 0.38

IV. CRUISE VESSELS AND TRAINING VESSELS

	For passenger vessels engaged on cruising, remaining in the harbour for less than 48 hours, and training vessels for each period of 7 days or part thereof	
		per gross tonne 0.24

V. VESSELS UNDER REPAIR IN DRY DOCK

Charges shall not be levied in respect of any period during which a vessel is under repair in dry dock at the port.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS

For all vessels not specifically mentioned in this schedule or being of an unusual nature, there shall be charged on each occasion of entering the port and harbour and for each period of 7 days or part thereof during which the vessel is in the harbour the appropriate charge or such charge as may be deemed appropriate by the Board.

NOTES

- (a) The charges specified under Groups, I, II and III shall not be levied both on the arrival of a vessel and on the next sailing outwards but shall be levied only on one of these occasions at the discretion of the Board. If the charges are levied on the sailing outwards there shall be deducted therefrom the amount of charges that may have been previously paid on the arrival inwards.
- (b) The above charges will not apply to trawling vessels and other vessels bona-fide employed in the herring and white fisheries provided that such vessels do not have on board any cargo other than fish caught by the vessels and do

not take on board any goods except stores, propelling fuels or fishery implements for their own use or discharge any goods other than fish caught by the vessel or any stores, propelling fuels or other materials which have not been previously loaded at the port.

- (c) Charges under this schedule shall not be levied on tugs plying by the authority or licence of the Board while such tugs are employed only in towing vessels into or out of the harbour.
- (d) Charges on Commercial Vessels in Groups I, II and III, and charges on Fishing Vessels over 10 metres in length shall be valid for a maximum period of 28 days. Vessels in these categories remaining in port in excess of 28 days shall be charged at the relevant rate plus 50% for each period of 7 days or part thereof and in excess of 56 days at the relevant rate plus 100% for each period of 7 days or part thereof.
- (e) The above charges will be based on ship's tonnages measured in accordance with regulations applicable to ships registered in the U.K. Where not so measured a premium of 80% will be levied.
- (f) The above rates in Groups I to VI are subject to a minimum charge of £12.00.
- (g) In case of dispute arising from interpretation of the above charges the Board's decision shall be final.

FISHING VESSELS

- (a) For all registered fishing vessels engaged in commercial fishing full time berthed at quays, and which pay to the Board charges on fish landed, for each period of fourteen days or part thereof during which the vessel is in harbour –

	£
per gross tonne	0.12
Subject to a minimum charge of	12.00
- (b) All registered fishing vessels not engaged in full time commercial fishing berthed at quays, and landing less than 0.5 tonne of fish per call shall be charged at the rates for pleasure craft.

The following provisions for commercial vessels shall apply also to fishing vessels:–

- V Vessels under repair in Dry Dock
- VI Miscellaneous
- Notes (a), (e) and (g)

VESSELS OTHER THAN COMMERCIAL OR FISHING VESSELS

- A. PLEASURE CRAFT

	£
For each period of 5 days or part thereof during which the vessel is in the harbour	
(a) Under 50 gross tonnes (excluding V.A.T.)	17.39
(b) 50 gross tonnes or over (excluding V.A.T.)	per gross tonne 0.35
- B. EXHIBITION VESSELS

	£
For each period of 5 days or part thereof during which the vessel is in the harbour	
Minimum charge	per gross tonne 0.96 230.00
- C. MOORINGS FOR SMALL VESSELS

A limited number of moorings are available for small vessels of under 10 metres in length.
Charges and conditions upon application.

CHARGES FOR GOODS AND PASSENGERS

	Description	Quantity	Charge £
1.	FOODS, ETC.		
	Cereals, Feeding Stuffs (Animals), Fruit and Vegetables.....	per tonne	0.71
	Fish, white, direct from sea.....	per £ ad valorem	0.025
	Consigned Fish and all other fish direct from sea	,,	0.02
	Water – other than for vessel's own use	per tonne	0.16
	Other foodstuffs and tobacco	,,	1.83
2.	BASIC MATERIALS		
	Salt for Roads, Sand, Stone, Aggregate and Pumice Gravel	,,	0.56
	Fish offal, Ores, Scrap, Woodpulp, Wastepaper, Hardwood and Other Crude Fertilisers and Minerals	,,	0.61
	Softwood	per m ³	0.38
	Other Basic Materials.....	per tonne	0.71
	Drill/Mud Cuttings	per tonne	0.71
3.	FUELS, ETC.		
	Coal, Coke and Briquettes.....	,,	0.55
	Petroleum products – Gas, Diesel and Fuel Oil	,,	1.42
	Other.....	,,	1.91
4.	MANUFACTURED GOODS		
	Cement, Textile yarns, fabrics, made-up articles and other non-metallic mineral manufactures.....	,,	1.19
	Chemicals	,,	1.31
	Iron and steel	,,	1.09
	Machinery, Manufactures of metals, and non-ferrous metals	,,	2.55
	Paper, Paperboard, Wood and Cork manufactures.....	,,	0.71
	Explosives	,,	5.44
	Vehicles – Commercial vehicles	each	9.83
	Private cars and caravans.....	,,	4.91
	Motor cycles	,,	1.46
	Other miscellaneous manufactured goods.....	per tonne	2.72
5.	LIVE ANIMALS		
	Sheep and calves	each	0.30
	Other.....	,,	0.87
6.	PASSENGERS		
		per person	0.91

REGULATIONS

All goods loaded or discharged at the port and harbour and not particularly specified in this schedule shall be liable to the charges applicable to such goods therein specified as in the determination of the Board shall be nearest in description and value to such unspecified goods.

Goods of all descriptions charged by the tonne shall be according to gross weight. The minimum charge for a single packet shall be £1.21.

If any goods for which charges have been paid on shipment shall from any accident or otherwise be unloaded charges shall not be levied a second time for such goods on being reshipped.

Where any goods have been shipped and the charges therefor paid and such goods are thereafter relanded within the harbour by reason of the detention therein of the vessel by stress of weather and are not reshipped such charges shall be repaid by the Board.

There will be no charge for bunkers loaded on to vessels where these bunkers have been imported by sea direct into Aberdeen. In all other cases there will be a charge at the relevant petroleum products rate.

DEFINITION

Ad Valorem – In the case of fish presented for sale at the Fish Market the ad valorem charge shall be based on the price at which the fish is sold with the addition of the value of any subsidy or compensation payable to the sellers by the Government or the European Union in respect of the fish sold for other than human consumption.

CHARGES FOR CRANES

£

(a) Operating on hook – per hour or part thereof	107.00
(b) Operating on hook during overtime hours – per hour or part thereof.....	134.00
(c) Operating with grabs – per hour or part thereof.....	137.00
(d) Operating with grabs during overtime hours – per hour or part thereof	164.00
The minimum hire period is 6 hours.	
(e) Cancellation charge when crane is ordered but not employed.....	214.00
(f) When handling I.S.O. 20' and 40' containers, there will be no additional surcharge.	

NOTES

1. *Basis of Charge:*– The hire charges specified above are inclusive of operator's wages.
2. All cranes are hired subject to the conditions laid down by the Board, details of which are as follows:

CONDITIONS FOR THE HIRE OF HARBOUR CRANES

1. The form must be used for every application for the hire of a crane and must be lodged at the office of the Board. The form must be signed by principals only and must be complete in all respects. No application will be accepted which is conditional on the arrival of a vessel or on the availability of dock labour.
2. Applications will be dealt with as far as possible in the rotation in which the application forms are lodged. When the number of applications lodged exceeds the number of cranes available, the decision of the Harbour Master as to which applications shall have priority shall be final. The Harbour Master shall be entitled to alter allocations of cranes by withdrawal substitution or replacement by other cranes and the Hirer shall comply with the directions of the Harbour Master in order to give effect to such alterations.
3. The Hirers shall be liable to the Harbour Board for the rates of the hire of a crane and shall pay the same on demand. If required by the Finance Director, the Hirer shall pay the rates prior to the commencement of the hire or, if in his opinion the exact amount of the rates cannot be ascertained in advance, the Hirer shall make a deposit of such amount as may be fixed by the Finance Director.
4. The lodging of the application form does not entitle the Hirer to the supply of a crane and the Harbour Board accepts no responsibility for the failure or the delay in the supply of a crane or the breakdown of the crane hired.
5. The Hirer shall provide to the satisfaction of the Harbour Master all necessary tackle (including slings, chains, ropes and shackles, but excluding grabs) for attaching to the crane the articles to be lifted. The Harbour Master or Engineering Director shall have, at any time, the right to inspect the equipment and the test records of the equipment. The Hirer shall also provide all labour for preparing, fixing and unfixing such tackle.
6. The Hirer shall be responsible for appointing a responsible person to be in charge of all operations involving the crane. This responsibility includes ensuring that such operations are carried out in a safe and proper manner.

7. The Harbour Board shall be indemnified by the Hirer against any claim by any person whomsoever for loss, injury or damage from any cause whatsoever and whether due to negligence or otherwise resulting from the use or operation of the plant hired, the actions of the cranemen or any other servant of the Board and shall satisfy the Harbour Master that he is adequately insured against such loss, injury or damage.
8. The Hirer shall be responsible to the Harbour Board for any loss sustained by the Harbour Board arising from the destruction or loss of a crane or damage thereto during the period of the hire from any cause whatsoever including the negligence of any person for whom the Harbour Board is responsible. The Hirer shall satisfy the Harbour Master that he is adequately insured in respect of his responsibility under this condition.
9. The Hirer shall ensure that every article over one tonne in weight is marked with the correct weight in a manner clearly visible to the craneman.
10. The Hirer shall conform to the Docks regulations 1988, the approved Code of Practice relating thereto, and to all other relevant statutory regulations.
11. The Hirer shall ensure that only competent and trained dock workers are used in association with a harbour crane.
12. The Hirer shall ensure that the berth is left clean and tidy after use and that all cargo, cargo handling gear and rubbish are removed to the satisfaction of the Harbour Master.
13. The hire is subject to the Bye-Laws of Aberdeen Harbour Board.

CHARGES FOR WEIGHBRIDGES

	Per Weigh £
Not exceeding 10 tonnes	3.05
Exceeding 10 tonnes but not exceeding 20 tonnes.....	5.05
Exceeding 20 tonnes.....	5.90
Bulk	£0.15 per tonne

V.A.T. will be added to accounts for goods not imported or exported through the harbour.

The foregoing charges include the taring of vehicles etc., when required.

CHARGES FOR METAGE

	£
Charge for the services of a Meter per hour or part thereof	29.00
Minimum charge	118.00
Cancellation charge when a Meter is ordered for overtime but not required	59.00

An order for a Meter must be lodged at the Harbour Office not less than two hours before the time at which he is required, and must not be made conditional on the arrival of a vessel.

When a Meter is required outwith normal working hours, there shall be charged in addition, the overtime incurred by the Board, plus 25%.

V.A.T. will be charged where appropriate.

CHARGES FOR ITEMS ON QUAYS AND IN YARDS

ITEMS ON QUAYS:-

Prices on application.

CONTAINERS:-

	Per Container £
Deposit on quays of containers shipped through Aberdeen Harbour.	
First 4 weeks	No charge
Thereafter per week or part thereof	10.00
Deposit on quays of containers not shipped through Aberdeen Harbour	
per week or part thereof	10.00

ITEMS IN YARDS:-

Prices on application.

These charges will apply regardless of the quantity of items in each area.

V.A.T. will be charged where appropriate.

PERSONS USING A QUAY OR YARD FOR THE STORAGE OF ITEMS DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK AND THE BOARD WILL NOT BE HELD LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGE OR LOSS WHICH MAY OCCUR.

CHARGES FOR TRANSIT SHEDS

Storage rates on application.

Each period shall be calculated from the time the goods are placed in the shed.

Persons requiring a shed to be opened or kept open outwith normal working hours shall be charged the amount of the wages paid for such attendance, plus 25%.

V.A.T. will be charged where appropriate.

PERSONS USING A SHED FOR THE STORAGE OF GOODS DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK AND THE BOARD WILL NOT BE HELD LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGE OR LOSS WHICH MAY OCCUR.

CHARGES FOR VEHICLES/TRAILERS

For authorised parking of a vehicle or trailer on Harbour Quays or operational areas per day or part thereof £10.00

V.A.T. will be charged where appropriate.

NOTES:

1. All vehicles and trailers working within the operational areas of the harbour must have some form of company identification clearly displayed.
2. All authorised users must adhere to instructions given by Aberdeen Harbour Board's Operations' staff.

PERSONS PARKING A VEHICLE OR TRAILER IN THE HARBOUR DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK AND THE BOARD WILL NOT BE HELD LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGE OR LOSS WHICH MAY OCCUR.

CHARGES FOR PILOTAGE

1. The Rates to be charged for Pilotage (including boarding and landing), either inwards, outwards or within, shall be as follows:-

GROSS TONNAGE OF VESSEL

	£
Under 1000	77.00
1000 and under 1600	110.00
1600 " " 2000	139.00
2000 " " 3000	194.00
3000 " " 5000	289.00
5000 " " 8000	408.00
8000 and over	580.00

2. Where a Pilot is required to attend or take charge of a vessel for any other purpose, or is detained on board, there shall be charged 45.00 per hour
3. Where a Pilot Cutter is hired for a purpose other than the boarding and landing of a Pilot, within the limits of the Pilotage District:- price on application

NOTES:

The above charges will be based on ship's tonnages measured in accordance with regulations applicable to ships registered in the U.K. Where not so measured a premium of 80% will be levied.

**THE CHARGES ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES ARE FOR
SERVICES PROVIDED BY AN OUTSIDE PARTY,
AND ARE INCLUDED FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY.**

TOWAGE CHARGES

Per Tug per hour
or part thereof

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| 1. VESSELS UNDER POWER | £ |
| Under 1,000 gross tonnes | 785.00 |
| For every additional 1,000 gross tonnes or part thereof..... | 140.00 |
| Maximum charge | 2,310.00 |
2. Second and subsequent hour or part thereof will be charged at 50% normal first hour rate.
3. VESSELS WITHOUT PROPULSION AND/OR WITH DEFECTIVE STEERING
Charges as at 1. above plus a surcharge of 50%.
4. For towage, assistance, or other work beyond harbour limits, or salvage, firefighting, anti-pollution work, etc.
- Terms upon
application
directly to
Targe Towing
Limited

CONDITIONS

1. When a tug is required in overtime there shall be charged against the Hirer, in addition to normal charges, a surcharge of 15% for all charges relating to periods outwith normal time.
2. A cancellation charge equivalent to one hour at the appropriate rate for the vessel will be made, when towage or attendance is ordered in respect of ordinary hours but not employed, unless notice of cancellation of the order is received not less than one hour prior to the time for which the service was ordered.
Where a service which was to be performed in overtime has to be cancelled, a charge equivalent to one hour at the appropriate rate plus 15% will be made, unless notice of cancellation is received prior to the end of normal stopping time or, if after that, then not less than 6 hours prior to the time for which the service was ordered.
Note:- Normal Time – Monday to Friday 0800 - 1700. All other times – Overtime.
3. Damage to the tug's hawser in excess of the ordinary wear and tear will be charged against the vessel being towed.
4. The towage provider reserves the right to adjust the above charges to accommodate fuel price changes.
5. All tugs are hired subject to United Kingdom Standard Conditions for Towage and Other Services (revised 1986), copies of which may be obtained from Targe Towing Limited.

NOTES

1. Towage services are provided by Targe Towing Limited, an independent contractor for whose acts and omissions Aberdeen Harbour Board has no responsibility or liability.
2. CHARGES FOR TOWAGE ARE PAYABLE TO TARGE TOWING LIMITED AND ARE DEEMED TO BE DUE ON COMPLETION OF THE SERVICES.

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