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PORTS ACT (CAP. 161)

THE LEVY OF RATES AND DUES (PORTS OF HONIARA AND NORO) RULES 2015

IN exercise of the powers conferred by sections 72 and 73 of the Ports Act and with the approval of the Minister, read with section 11 of the Sate Owned Enterprises Act 2007, the Authority hereby makes the following Rules –

- 1. These Rules may be cited as the Levy of Rates and Dues (Ports of Honiara and Noro) Rules 2015 and shall come into force on the date of publication in the *Gazette*.
- 2. The rates and dues set out on the Schedules shall be levied by or paid to the Authority in respect of the various matters specified in it, when the work or appliances so specifies are provided or the services so specified are provided at the Ports of Honiara and Noro.
- 3. Notwithstanding anything in these Rules it shall be lawful for the Authority to enter into any special agreement in respect of any matter in accordance with the charges specified on the Schedules of Rates and Dues hereto.
- The Levy of Rates and Dues (Ports of Honiara and Noro) Rules 2015 appeared in Legal Notice No. 21 of 2015 published in the Solomon Islands Gazettes (Extraordinary Gazettes) is hereby revoked.

Dated at Honiara this seventeenth day of July, 2015.

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Terms	Definitions
Anchorage	Under the tariff schedule, vessels using the anchorage as a "layup" refuge, safe haven, landing goods or passengers, taking stores or fresh water while at anchor but does not include vessels anchoring within port limits awaiting a berth for the purposes of loading/ discharging cargo or passengers.
Berthage	For the occupancy of any wharf, Jetty or land barge ramp other than a lay-up berth under the Jurisdiction of the Authority.
Berth Reservation	A 7 days clear notice should be given for any request for berth reservation. No refund is given if the vessel iss unable to take up the reservation.
Bunkering	Vessel tie up berth at the floating buoys for the purpose of fuel or gas discharged.
Environmental Fee	A compulsory environmental fee shall be charged each quarter.
Dangerous Goods	Goods that are classified dangerous under the International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Codes. This is in the form of explosives, compressed gasses, flammable liquids and solids, radioactive materials, corrosives and other associated materials identified under class 1 to class 9 of the IMDG Codes.
Delay Fees	Any vessel arriving more than sixty minutes after the notified time of arrival shall be charged for the time spent waiting for the vessel's arrival. In the case of late arrival, for any personnel made ready for arrival of a vessel at the notified time of arrival of the vessel until redeployed or the arrival of the vessel provided that this charge shall not apply to any personnel or equipment connected with pilotage.
Disposal of Cargo	Removing of cargo condemned by either health or customs authorities.
Foreign Vessel	A foreing registered vessel principally employed in voyages involving calling at the ports in the Solomon Islands and othe ports throughout the world.
Freezer Cargo Hook-up	Connecting freezer containers to available allocated power supply connections for the purposes of keeping and maintaining the quality of perishable or refrigerated food items at the ports premises.

Fuel Leakage & Discharge	Discharging of fuel (intentional or unintentional) in waters under the jurisdiction of the Authority due to vessel leakage or other means.
Gate Pass	A valid pass to permit access to the Customs & Excise control area in the port premises. This is in the form of Customs ID cards and vehicle pass issued by Ports Authority.
Gross Registered Tonnage (GRT)	The official registered total gross tonnage of a vessel.
Harbour Removal	Removal of vessel within the compulsory Pilotage District from Anchorage to berth or vice versa.
Handling Cargo	Handling of incoming and outgoing cargo including transhipment cargo, containerized, break bulk, palletized General Cargo Delivery to or from vessel including sorting, tallying, stacking, clearance and delivering.
Length Overall (LOA)	The official registered length overall of a vessel.
Local Vessel	A vessel registered or licensed in the Solomon Islands principally employed in voyages involving calling at the ports in the Solomon Islands.
Manifest Document Processing	Any Manifest document that does not have both weight and volume measurement declared will not be processed through the Authority cargo clearance processing system. Additional charges incurred will be at the cost of the consignee or the cargo agent.
Non-Containerized Cargo	Cargoes not transported inside a container, including break bulk, palletized, sling cargo and in any other forms.
Out-Port Pilotage	Pilotage services discharged other than the declared Ports of Solomon Islands.

Overtime Recovery	Overtime costs incurred during vessel operation. This applies to vessels requesting services on the weekends, public holidays and odd working hours on normal working days on a per shift bases. The shift costs shall be advised by notice to agents from time to time.
Passenger Levy	Fees charge on passengers for passenger ship principally engaged in cruising.
Pilot Detained Fee	Any vessel detaining a pilot more than sixty minutes beyond its notified time of departure or removal shall be charged for the whole period of the pilot detention.
Pollution Cleaning	Removal of oil spillage, plastic bags or other non-biodegradable materials or fluids in the waters or land under the jurisdiction of the Authority.
Pollution Cleaning Costs	For any cost relating to materials, labour and equipment used in containing and cleaning up any pollution occurring in any waters or on any land under the jurisdiction of the Authority.
Port Dues	For the first entry in each quarter into the Port of Honiara and Noro and the use of any Authority facility or land to which the Authority holds title during each quarter and for the purpose of this charge quarters commences on 1 st October, 1 st January, 1 st April, 1 st July.
Port Limit	Land or Sea area that are within the jurisdiction of the Solomon Islands Port Authority in the declared Port of Honiara and Noro.
Revenue Tone (RT)	Total calculated weight or cubic measurement as appeared in the Manifest Document whichever is greater.
Surcharge	Additional charge calculated from the original charge.

Surcharge Pilotage	Additional pilotage charge calculated for Inward and out ward pilotage services between 1630 and 0800 hours on working days, with the exception of public holidays and weekend days where it is applied on any given time.
Storage Cargo	All cargo deposited in port yard, warehouse or any transit location including containerized cargo held or within the custom controlled area. A free storage period of five (5) days from the date of inward clearance of ship from which cargo is discharged and in the case of incoming cargo or for the first five (5) days from date of delivery in port area in the case of outgoing cargo.
Storage Container	All size Containers either full or empty held within' the custom controlled area. A storage free period of ten (10 days is granted after a day of vessel unloading or discharged. There after storage is calculated, exclusive of the period when delivered out of the port.
Under Declaration of Manifested Cargo	Manifest documents appearing or suspected of under declaring their cargo volumes and weight measurements are to be physically investigated and verified by the Authority. Appropriate penalties are charged as specified in the penalty section of the tariff.
Vessel Delay Fee	Any vessel arriving more than sixty minutes after the notified time of arrival shall be charged for the time spent waiting for the vessel's arrival.
Yearly quarters	For the purposes of charges, quarters shall commence on 1 st October, 1 st January, 1 st April and 1 st July.

All charges levied are in pursuant to section 57 of SHIP DUES and also in pursuant to section 60 of LEVY OF RATES.

A. SHIP DUES (pursuant to section 57), where by the master of the vessel is liable to pay vessel dues for vessels principally employed in voyages involving calling at ports outside the Solomon Islands.

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SCHEDULE

Solomon Islands Ports Authority Levy on Rates and Dues (Ports of Honiara and Noro)

Part A: Ship Dues

Section 1. Port Dues – Quarterly Charged					
Service Category	Service Description	Rate	Unit		
Foreign Vessels	GRT (All categories)	\$0.20	Per GRT per quarter		
	Environmental Fee	\$190	Per quarter		
Local Vessels	Port Dues - Vessel LOA	\$1	Per metre of LOA		
Section 2. Pilotage					
Service Category	Service Description	Rate	Unit		
2.1 Foreign Vessels	GRT(<6000)	1.80	Per GRT		
	GRT (6,000–9,999)	2.10	Per GRT		
	GRT(10,000–19,999)	2.40	Per GRT		
	GRT(20,000-29,999)	2.70	Per GRT		
	GRT(30,000-upwards)	3.00	Per GRT		
Foreign Vessels	Outward Pilotage	\$5000	Per Occasion		
	Pilotage Detention Fee	\$500	Per hour		
2.2. Local Vessels – Vessels LOA	Local vessels with LOA>=40m	\$16.50	Per metre of LOA		
2.5 Landing	Landing	\$330	Per occasion		
2.6 Launch Hire	Launch Hire	\$1520	Per hour		
2.7 Lines Boat	Lines Boat	\$760	Per occasion		
Section 3. Berthage					
Service Category	Service Description	Rate	Unit		
3.1 Foreign Vessel -	Berthage – Overseas vessel				
C	GRT(<10,000	\$0.05	Per GRT per hour		
	GRT(10,000-upwards)	\$0.08	Per GRT per hour		
	a) Anchorage	\$0.05	Per GRT per day		
	b) Bunkering	\$0.05	Per GRT per hour		
3.2 Locally Registered Vessel	a) wharf, Jetty or land barge ramp occupation	\$0.75	Per metre o LOA per hour		
	b) Layup berth	\$1	Per metre of LOA per period of 12 hours or part thereof.		

6	3 Wharf Cleaning a) Maximum b) Maximum		Per occasion Per occasion
Section 4. Handling - Contai	ner & Cargo		
Service Category 4.1 Moving Containers Cell 4.2 Moving Containers from Cell to Cell	Service Description a) Container 40ft a) Container 40ft b) Container 20ft	Rate \$722 \$730 \$722	Unit Per Unit Per Unit Per Unit
4.3 Stevedoring	a) General Break Bulk In	\$39.00	Per RT
Containers	 b) General Break Bulk Out c) FCL/LCL/MT IN – 20ft d) FCL/LCL/MT OUT–20ft e) FCL/LCL/MT IN - 40ft f) FCL/LCL/MT OUT - 40ft 	\$39.00 \$1,890 \$1,180 \$3,775 \$2,340 Per Uni	Per RT Per Unit Per Unit Per Unit it
Transhipment Containers	g) FCL/LCL/MT IN - 20ft h) FCL/LCL/MT OUT - 20ft i) FCL/LCL/MT IN - 40ft j) FCL/LCL/MT OUT - 40ft k) Non-Containerized Cargo	\$944 \$590 \$1,888 \$1,170 \$29.45	Per Unit Per Unit Per Unit Per Unit Per RT
Hatches	l) Opening/Closing Hatches	\$800	Per Lid
Section 5. Tonnage Due - Ca	rgo		
Service Category	Service Description	Rate	Unit
5.1 Tonnage Due	a) Handled In	\$70.00	Per RT
C	b) Handled Out	\$45.00	Per RT
	c) NOT Handled In	\$70.00	Per RT
	d) NOT Handled Out	\$45.00	Per RT
	d) Handled In - Transhipment	\$35.00	Per RT
			Per RT Per RT
Section 6. Overtime Recover	d) Handled In - Transhipment f) Handled Out - Transhipment y	\$23.00	
Section 6. Overtime Recover Service Category 6.1 Overtime Recovery	 d) Handled In - Transhipment f) Handled Out - Transhipment y Service Description a) Week days on odd working hours b) Weekends and public holidays. 	\$23.00 Rate	Per RT e varies according
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7.3 Freezer Cargo Hook Up Fee	Hook Up Plus Electricity (Calcu Plus 25% Surcharge	Per hook rrent commercial rate)	
7.4 Fumigation Fee	20ft 40ft	\$300 \$400	Per Unit Per Unit
7.5 Unstuffing On special arrangement or occasions only	20ft 40ft	\$500 \$1000	Per Unit Per Unit
7.6 Fresh Water	Charged at current SIWA commercial Rate Per Kilolitre Plus Connection Fee		
	- Overseas Vessel - Local Vessel	\$500 \$1000	Per Connection Per Connection
	Plus overtime fee	\$19	Per Hour
7.7 Port Reception Facilities	Labour \$250		
7.8 Container Search	a) Within Town Bound b) Outside of Town	lary	\$500 Per Unit \$800 Per Unit
7.9 Sea Transport Service	Shall be charged to the Shipping Agent for boats providing such service to foreign vessels within the ports limits.\$2500 Per Year per boat owner.		
7.10 Disposal of Cargo (condemned by either health or customs authorities)	Equipment hourly hire Charged to Agent	rates will also b	e \$6,000 per occasion
7.11 Passenger - Cruise Vessels	Passenger manifested Minimum Charge	on arrival	\$5 per person \$1000
7.12 Vessel Delay - Delay Fee	First half hour free then thereafteri) all personnel at \$30.00 per hour or part thereof per person andii) Equipment deployed at \$2,000 hourly hire rates for each hour or part thereof.		
7.13 Working Vessel Delayed	i) In the case of the working of a vessel being delayed for any personnel and equipment made ready by the Authority to work the vessel at the time notified to work by the Authority until redeployed or work commences. As in section 7.12 except the first half hour shall also be charged.		
7.14 Use of non-SIPA equipment within Port Area.	i) Attracts \$500 per heii) Storage of such equthereof.		ort area \$500 per day or part

Part B: Levy of Rates (Clearance)

Section 1. Storage Cargo & Container

Particulars 1.1 Cargo in Warehouse and all transit excluding copra	Day 6 7 8 9-14 15-21 22-30 31 and subsequent days	Rate \$4 \$4.60 \$5.20 \$6 \$8 \$9 \$10	Unit Per day or part thereof
1.2 Cargo Deposited in Yard	Storage shall be charge the exception that the r		
1.3 Cargo in Container in Yard	Storage shall be charge exception that the rates		with section 1.1 with the be 75% thereof.
1.4 Cargo in Bond Warehouse	Storage shall be charge \$2.00 per tone or part t		with section 1.1 plus
1.5 Pre-Arranged Storage	Container – All sizes	\$40	Per unit per day
1.6 Container in Yard or Port Area	All Containers - 20ft	\$31.00	Per unit per day
1.7 Container in Yard or Port Area	All Containers - 40ft	\$62.00	Per unit per day
1.8 Transhipment Container in Yard or Port Area	All Containers - 20ft All Containers - 40ft	\$31.00 \$62.00	Per unit per day Per unit per day
1.9 Transhipment Cargo in Yard	Break Bulk Cargo Containerized Cargo	\$1 \$1	Per RT per day Per RT per day
1.10 Dangerous cargo in Warehouse or Port Yard	Class 1 Class 2 - 4 Class 5 - 9	\$300 \$30 \$20	Per RT per day Per RT per day Per RT per day

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Particulars			Outgoing	Unit
2.1 Dreat Dull correc	LCL Cargo Palm Kernel	\$25 \$25	\$22 \$25	Per RT Per RT
Break-Bulk cargo	Bulk grain	\$23 \$10.50	\$25 \$10.50	Per RT Per RT
	Less than 0.5 tone	\$10.30 \$15	\$15	Per RT
	Less than 1.0 tone	\$18	\$18	Per RT
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2.2 Palletised & Unitised	Flour, Fertilizer & cement	\$24	\$24	Per RT
2.3	Motor Cars, Lorries	\$26	\$26	Per RT
2.4 Heavy Lifts	Heavy lifts other than	\$55	\$55	Per RT
	motor car, lorries &			
	tractors			
2.5 Timbers	Bundled timber in uniform	\$25	\$25	Per RT
2.6 Container 20ft	Full Container Load (FCL		\$20	Per RT
2.7 Container 40ft	Full Container Load (FCL		\$25	Per RT
2.8 Dangerous Goods	Class 1	\$250	\$250	Per RT
6	Class 2 - 4	\$70	\$70	Per RT
	Class 5 - 9	\$50	\$50	Per RT
2.9 Cargo Removal to Queens Warehouse	Maximum	\$20	\$20	Per RT
Queens warehouse	Minimum	\$10.50	\$10.50	Per RT
2.10 Break Bulk Cargo - Transhipment	a) General Cargo	\$1	\$1	Per RT
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2.11 Containerized Cargo - Transhipment	a) General Cargo	\$1	\$1	Per RT
Cargo - manshipment				
2.12 Empty Containers	a) 20ft	\$20	\$20	Per Unit
All sizes)	b) 40ft	\$20	\$20	Per Unit
Section 3. Wharfage				
6	20ft	\$10.50	\$10.50	Per RT
3.1 Containers	40ft	\$15.50	\$15.50	Per RT
3.2 Break Bulk Cargo	a) General Cargo	\$10.50	\$10.50	Per RT
3.3 Cargo Not Handle In	a) General Cargo	\$10.50	\$10.50	Per RT
3.4 Cargo Not Handle Out	a) General Cargo	\$10.50	\$10.50	Per RT

Section 2. Handling Cargo & Container

Section 4. Single Lifts - Containers Single lift applies only in the Port Area. For the hire of the Authority's equipment during normal working hours including drivers/Crew.

Lift FCL/LCL - 40ft FCL/LCL - 20ft Empty - 40ft - 20ft			Rate \$800 \$660 \$350 \$350	Unit Per lift Per lift Per lift Per lift
Section 5. Persons ID & Motor Vehicle Pass Vehicle Description 5.1 Prime movers and invalid carriages & others 5.2 Side lifts with trailer and head & others 5.3 Heavy duty commercial vehicles (3 tone to 5 tone) 5.4 Light goods commercial vehicles (1 to 2 tone) 5.5 Private cars & clearance vehicles 5.6 Temporary pass - Private Cars 5.7 Temporary pass - Persons ID Pass 5.8 1 Year Pass - Person ID Card			Rate \$2000 \$2000 \$1500 \$1000 \$350 \$50 \$50 \$100	Unit Per year Per year Per year Per year Per year Per day per Car Per day per person Per person
Section 6. Extra Attendance Service Days & Times Week days - after normal working hours Saturdays Sundays Public Holidays		Rate \$75 \$150 \$225 \$300	Unit Per hour Per hour Per hour Per hour	
 Section 7. Inter-Islar Particulars 7.1 Storage With the Authority's permission on the Authority's facilities or property. 	All Drum Petrol Charges shall the date of dep of the vessel fi per ton per day	oosit or also for \$ rom which discha	1.00 incoming garges as the Auth A Surcharge of	Unit Per drum/day Per hour or part thereof At hourly rates dar days from either goods the date of departure hority decides at the rate 100% charge is made h port facilities.

Service Category 8.1 Fuel Jetty	Service Type For the use of the local jetty to supply fuel to vessels.	Rate \$0.075	Unit Per litre of fuel			
8.2 Tankers Fuel Pipe	For the fuel pipe that pass through ports land or area of jurisdiction.	\$0.075	Per litre of fuel discharged per vessel call			
Section 9. Pollution Cleaning, Fuel Discharge						
Particulars		Rate				
9.1 Pollution Cleaning	All Cost - Materials, Labour an	d Equipment H	ourly Hire Rates			
Costs	plus 20% surcharge					
9.2 Fuel Leakage &	Local Vessels	\$20,000 per oc	casion			
Discharge	Overseas Vessel	\$250,000 per o	occasion			
	Plus Cleaning Cost					

Section 8. Levy on Fuel Jetty & Fuel pipe

Section 10. Container or Cargo Storage Period Particulars

Storage Allowed Period - 60 days

All containers (Full or empty) or any general cargo or any other cargo are given only a period of 60 days from the date of arrival to be stored at the Authority's premises or storage location. Cargo Agents are to ensure that they take notice of this storage limit period and take appropriate measures. Any containers or cargo that violates or goes beyond this period are subject to a surcharge of 75%. This applies to all cargoes or containers including transhipment cargos or containers. The Authority may confiscate or seize the container, equipments or any other cargo that stored far beyond the given period without written notice to the Cargo Agent.

Section 11. Penalties & Charges

The Authority has sanctioned the following penalties in cases where cargo volumes and weight measurements are appeared to be falsely or under declared and are charged as follows.

Description of Events &	Cargo Type	Penalty
Situations		
11.1 Under declaration of Manifested Cargo Volumes and Weights.	a) FCL/LCL - 20ft b) FCL/LCL - 40ft	To be calculated at 30 cubic metre or 25 tones as appropriate whichever is greater charge.
	Break Bulk (Machines & Equipments including General Cargo and others)	To be calculated with manifested volume or weights declared (whichever . is greater) plus actual measurement calculated by the Authority. A further 75% surcharge is also applied on the calculated charge.

11.2 Undeclared	Manifest Documents that do not have both Cargo volume and
Cargo Volumes and	weight measurement declared cannot be processed through the
Weights	Authority cargo clearance processing system.
11.3 Penalty Fees for late	All ship documents be submitted by shipping agent or whoever
submission of ship	responsible within 24 hours prior to ship arrival to Director
documents	Operations or Operations Manager. Failure to comply attracts a

Section 12. Hiring of Equipment and Surface Craft

When hiring any item under this part, hirers who do not have recognized account with the Authority must lodge a deposit as requested. The per lift rate below is only applicable to Break Bulk cargo lifting and is applicable to lifts in the Port Area.

standard penalty of \$5000 for the concerned ship.

Equipments/Machines	Rate	Unit
Fork Lift 2.5 tone to 3 tone	\$100	Per lift
Forklift 4 tone to 5 tone	\$200	Per lift
Forklift 7 tones	\$350	Per lift
Forklift 8 tones	\$350	Per lift
Forklift 10 tones	\$350	Per lift
Forklift 12 tones	\$350	Per lift
Forklift 13 tones	\$350	Per lift
Toplift 48 tones - Omega 01	\$800	Per lift
Toplift 54 tones - Omega	\$800	Per lift
Reachstacker 45 tones	\$800	Per lift
Crane 45 tones	\$2400	Per hour
Compressor	\$240	Per hour
Front End Loader	\$600	Per hour
Arblift	\$275	Per hour
Bulldozer Trimmer	\$220	Per hour
Bobeat	\$220	Per hour
Hand operated power roller & compactor	\$220	Per hour
Heavy Trailer 20 footer	\$150	Per hour
Heavy Trailer 40 footer	\$300	Per hour
Terminal Tractor & Trailer	\$550	Per hour
Terminal Tractor & Trailer	\$750	Per hour
Welder	\$180	Per hour
Pilot Boat Fee	\$2000	Per hour
Pilot Boat - Private hire	\$5000	Per hour
OBM & Canoe	\$800	Per hour
Launch Hire	\$1520	Per hour
Tugboat	\$2400	Per hour
Sidelifter (inside of town)	\$750	Per lift
Sidelifter (outside of town)	\$2000	Per lift
Spreader, Gears and Equipment	\$2000	Per day
Slings, hook nets etc	\$600	Per day

Other equipment not listed above at rates to be negotiated before hire commences.

A surcharge of 75% is levied on all plant hired outside official working hours. The hirer shall be charged for any part of the first hour as one hour then the charge is calculated on a pro-rata basis.

Section 13. Miscellaneous Ec		_	
Equipments & Machines		Rate	Unit
Fire Pump		\$250	Per hour or part thereof
Weighbridge (Mechanical)		\$250	Per weigh
Weighbridge (Digital)		\$300	Per weigh (special rate for copra)
Pallets		\$100	Per day or part thereof
Chainsaw		\$300	Per hour
Jack hammer		\$300	Per hour
Concrete Vibrator		\$300	Per hour
Concrete Vibrating Screeder		\$300	Per hour
Concrete Saw		\$300	Per hour
Penalty Charge	Above 20 footer		
Loading and unloading of over height & over		\$380	Per Unit
length cargo or containers	Above 40 footer	\$760	Per Unit

Section 14. Tug Tariff – Towage Rates

All vessels of 3,000 GRT and over Must use the services of Tugs for the safe berthing and unberthing of all vessels at the Authority's wharf and all vessel movements within the port limits Where servicess of the tug/s are used the owner of the vessel shall pay according to the charges as per table below.

Up to and Including 3,000 2,001 - 5,000 5,001 - 10,000 10,001 - 15,000 15,001 - 20,000 20,001 - 25,000 25,001 - 30,000 30,001 - 35,000 35,001 - 40,000	GRT GRT GRT GRT GRT GRT GRT GRT	Rate \$8,352 \$9,921 \$21,902 \$29,271 \$33,281 \$38,827 \$41,204 \$44,374 \$50,713	Unit Tug job per tug Tug job per tug
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