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**PORTS ACT
(Cap. 161)**

THE LEVY OF RATES AND DUES

(PORTS OF HONIARA AND NORO) RULES 2003

IN exercise of the powers conferred by section 72 of the Ports Act and with the approval of the Minister, 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 2003 and shall come into force on the date of publication in the Gazette.
2. The rates and dues set out on the Schedule shall be levied by or paid to the Authority in respect of the various matters specified in it, when the works or appliances so specified are provided or the services so specified are performed 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 Scheduled of Rates and Dues hereto.
4. The levy of Rates and Dues (Ports of Honiara and Noro) Rules 2001 are hereby revoked.

**SCHEDULE OF DUES AND RATES
PORTS OF HONIARA AND NORO**

A currency adjustment factor linked to the Central Bank's "basket" of currencies is applied to all charges levied on overseas vessels under PARTS I AND II of the Schedule. The factor applied is advised by public notice from time to time.

PART I

SHIPS DUES (pursuant to section 57)

The Master of the vessel shall be liable to pay the following ships dues.

NATURE OF CHARGES

AMOUNT OF CHARGE

OVERSEAS SHIPS DUES

All charges levied under this part shall be payable by vessels principally employed in voyages involving calling at ports outside the Solomon Islands.

1.	Pilotage: Inward and outward pilotage	Combined in and out fee calculated at \$8.60 per metre of the ship's registered overall length.
	Out-port pilotage (per occasion)	\$1,000.00 per occasion
	Harbour removal within the compulsory pilotage district	\$6.40 per metre of the ship's registered overall length for each removal
of	Surcharge	(a) A surcharge of 50% the appropriate charge is made for any pilotage between the hours of 1600 and 0000 on weekdays and on weekends and

- (b) A surcharge of 100% is applied for pilotage between the hours of 0000 and 0730 on any day.

Facilities

All the above charges include the Provision of mooring launches and linesmen.

2. Delay Fees:

- (i) 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. \$132.00 per hour or part thereof.
- (ii) Any vessels detaining a pilot more than sixty minutes beyond its notified time of departure or removal shall be charged for the whole period of the pilots detention. \$132.00 per hour or part thereof.

3. Port Dues

For the first entry into the Port of Honiara and Noro during each quarter and for the purposes of this charge quarters shall commence on 1st January, 1st April, 1st July and 1st October. \$5.20 per metre of overall length of vessel

4. Berthage

- (a) For occupancy of any landing ramp under the Jurisdiction of the Authority. \$1.60 cents/per metre length overall/hour.
- (b) Foreign Registered vessels \$1.70 cents/per metre length overall/hour without CAF.

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| (c) Reservation of a Berth
(7 days clear notice) | \$990.00 per occasion
No refund if the ship is
unable to take up the
reservation. |
| (d) Subsequent amendments
to reserved date. | \$397.00 per occasion. |

LOCAL SHIPS DUES

All charges levied under this Part shall be payable by vessels licensed in the Solomon Islands and principally employed in voyages involving calling at port in the Solomon Islands.

1. Port Dues

For the first use in the Port of Honiara of any Authority facility or land to which the Authority holds title during each quarter and for the purposes of this charge quarters shall commence on 1st January, 1st April, 1st July and 1st October.	55 cents per centre of overall length of the vessels.
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2. Berthage

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| (a) For the occupancy of any wharf, jetty or land barge ramp other than a lay-up berth under the jurisdiction of the Authority either directly or in tier. | 35 cents per metre per hour (length overall) ALL VESSELS |
| (b) For the occupancy of any lay-up berth under the jurisdiction of the Authority either directly or in tier. | 55 cents per metre of overall length of vessel per period of twelve hours or part thereof. |

PART II
LEVY OF RATES
(pursuant to Section 60)

Levies shall be calculated in accordance with the weights and measurements appearing in ship's manifest (or amendments thereof) on hundred weights to the nearest hundred weights to the nearest hundred weight or cubic feet or metric tonnes to the nearest twentieth. Whichever produces the greater charge on the basis that one ton shall equal forty cubic feet.

1. Rate levied on the master or owner of the vessel (excluding overtime for week.

OVERSEAS VESSELS

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| (i) | Non-containerised cargo | |
| | (a) Incoming and Outgoing | \$13.70 per tonne |
| | (b) General cargo Shifting In & Out. | \$150.00 per tonne/per hour |
| (iii) | (Containerised Cargo) | |
| | (a) Loading containers (full or empty) wharf to vessel. | \$180.00/Unit |
| | Unloading containers (full/empty) vessel to wharf. | \$180.00/Unit |
| | (b) Moving containers on Board vessel from cell | |
| | to cell - full (20 ft) | \$207.00/Unit |
| | - empty" | \$207.00/Unit |
| | (c) Moving containers from cell to cell via wharf | |
| | - Full (20ft) | \$207.00/Unit |
| | - Empty " | \$207.00/Unit |

	(d) Moving containers on board vessel from cell to cell.	
	- Full (40ft)	\$220.00/Unit
	- Empty	\$220.00/Unit
	(e) Moving containers from cell to cell via wharf.	
	- Full (40ft)	\$220.00/Unit
	- Empty “	\$220.00/Unit
2.	Storage of Containers, & Empties (all sizes)	That free storage period is 21 days in total calculated from date of unloading exclusive of the period when delivered out of the port. Thereafter storage shall accrue at the rate of \$7.20/unit/day.
3.	Cleaning wharf after Departure of a vessel	At cost with a maximum of \$456.00 and minimum of \$230.00 per occasion.
4.	Container Cleaning	20ft container - \$50.00 per/unit 40ft container - \$90.00 per/unit
5.	Freezer Cargo Hookup's Fees	\$20.00 per hook plus electricity.
6.	Fumigation Fee	\$200.00 per occasion

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| 7. | Supply of Fresh Water | At cost (\$3.20 per kilolitre) plus a connection fee of \$15.00 and an overtime fee, if applicable of \$5.00 per hour. |
| 8. | Delay fees shall be charged. | |
| | (a) 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. | First half hour free thereafter all personnel at \$7.10 per hour or part thereof per person and equipment at hourly hire rates for each hour or part thereof. |
| | (b) 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 above except the first half shall also be charged. |
| 9. | Pollution Cleaning Costs shall be charged for any 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. | Materials - costs plus ten per cent.
Labour - \$100.00 hour or part thereof.
Equipment - hourly hire Rates. |
| 10. | Port Reception Facility.
Costs for Disposal of Cargo condemned by either health or customs authorities shall be charged. | Labour - \$150.00
Equipment - hourly hire rates. |

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| 11. | Tonnage Dues | |
| | (a) For cargo handled by the Authority | |
| | (i) Incoming cargo | \$4.60 per tonne |
| | (ii) Outgoing cargo | \$2.30 per tonne |
| | (iii) Transshipment cargo | Nil |
| | (b) For cargo not handled by the Authority | |
| | (i) Incoming cargo | \$3.90 per tonne |
| | (ii) Outgoing cargo | \$2.30 per tonne |
| 12. | Passenger Levy for passenger ship principally engaged in cruising which enter the declared limits of any port. | \$1.20 per passenger manifested on arrival with a minimum of \$250.00 and a Maximum of \$1,200.00. |
| 13. | Transhipped Cargo | |
| | (a) Stevedoring | |
| | (i) Non-containerised | \$11.50 per tonne unloading and \$11.50 per tonne reloading |
| | (ii) Containerised (Full/Empty) | \$146.00 per Unit unloading and \$146.00 per unit reloading. |
| | (b) Storage | |
| | (i) Non-containerised | |
| | - deposited in yard | 25% of the general rate |
| | - deposited in go downs | 50% of the general rate |
| | (ii) Containerised | 25% of the general rate |
| | (c) Tonnages dues | Nil |

Note: Overtime shall be recharged to vessels which request services on weekends and public holidays on a per shift basis. The shift costs shall be advised by notice to agents from time to time.

2. Rates levied on the consignee/consignor of incoming or outgoing cargo.

A. Cargo imported from or exported to overseas.

1 STORAGE - Incoming or Outgoing cargo deposited in all transit and warehouse excluding copra (a) There is a free storage period of five (5) calendar days from the date of inward clearance of ship from which cargo is discharged in the case of incoming cargo or for the first five (5) calendar days from date of delivery in port area in the case of outgoing cargo.

Thereafter storage accrues as follows: Per tonne or cubic measurement

Day	Per tonne or cubic measurement
6	\$2.60/pay or part thereof
7	\$3.15
8	\$3.60
9-12	\$4.30
13-17	\$5.30
18-28	\$6.72
29 and subsequent days	\$7.25

Cargo deposited in storage yard or within the port limits including containerised cargo. Storage shall be charged in accordance with the above provisions with exception that the rates applicable shall be 50% thereof.

Cargo deposited in Bonded Warehouse Storage shall be charge in accordance with the provisions above plus 30 cents per ton, tonne or part thereof per day or part thereof plus Customs and Excise

2. HANDLING

- (i) Delivery/receiving of all cargo including tally, sorting, stacking and clearance.

		Per ton/tonne/m3 or part thereof	
		<u>Incoming</u>	<u>Outgoing</u>
(a)	All break-bulk cargo and Less than Container Loads (LCL) cargo	\$ 18.90	\$ 15.00
	Palm Kernel		17.40
	Bulk grain	7.50	
	Minimum charges less than 0.5 tonne	11.40	11.40
	1.0 tonne	13.20	13.20
(b)	Palletised/Unitised-flour, fertilizer & cement	18.90	18.90
(c)	Motor Cars, Lorries and Tractors	15.00	15.00
(d)	Heavy lifts other than motor car, Lorries & tractors	29.20	29.20
(e)	Bundled timber in uniform length	16.20	16.20
(ii)	Full container load (FCL) Sizes		
(a)	Full container load (20 ft FCL)	12.50	12.50
	Full container load (40 ft FCL)	15.00	13.50
(b)	Dangerous Goods	25.00	25.00

3. WHARFAGE	<u>Income</u>	<u>Outgoing</u>
All cargo transferred to or from ship - 20 footer	\$5.70	\$5.70
40 footer container transferred to or from ship	\$7.40	\$7.40
3. CARTAGE STACKING & REMOVAL TO QUEENS WAREHOUSE		
For removal of cargo to the Queens Warehouse or request of the Consignee	Charge	\$11.40
	Min. charge	\$ 6.20
4. Inter-island cargo		
1. STORAGE -		
(a) With the Authority's permission on the Authority's facilities or Property	Charges shall be levied after the first two calendar days from either the date of deposit or also for 22 cents incoming goods the date of departure of the vessel from which discharged as the Authority decides at the rate per ton day or part thereof.	
	And if sized -	
	(1) A seizure fee of \$100.00	
	(2) Labour at \$5.00 per hour or part thereof.	
	(3) Equipment at hourly rates.	
(b) A surcharge of 10% of the appropriate charge is made to any storage of any dangerous goods stored in port facilities.		

2. CARGO HANDLING

For incoming and outgoing
containerised and palletised
General cargo delivery to or
from ship, sorting, delivery
receiving (upon request)

(a)	Minimum charge - to	
	.5m tonne	\$9.60
	.5m/tonne to 1.00/tonne	\$11.20
(b)	General cargo - over	
	1.0m/tonne	\$15.80
(c)	Bundles of timber, vehicles	\$13.50
(d)	Heavy lifts	\$19.00

B. Hiring of Equipment and Surface Craft

When hiring any item under this part,
hirers who do not have recognised
account with the Authority must lodge
a deposit requested.

1.	For the hire of the Authority's equipment during normal working hours including drivers/crew	*hourly rate	Unit/single lift (applies only in the Port area)
		\$	\$
1.	Launches	120.00	
2.	Forklift to 2.5 tonne	65.00	30.00
3.	Forklift 3 tonnes	75.00	50.00
4.	Forklift 6 tonnes	120.00	60.00
5.	Forklift 8 tonnes	130.00	70.00
6.	Toplifter 26 tonnes	560.00	150.00
7.	Hyster 28 tonnes	415.00	120.00
8.	Hyster 32 tonnes (PA 30)	450.00	140.00
9.	Crane 25 tonnes	600.00	
10.	Compressor	120.00	
11.	Front end Loader	230.00	

13.	Sidelifter	300.00
14.	Bulldozer Timmer	140.00
15.	Heavy Trailer	80.00
16.	Welder	120.00
17.	Spreader, Gears and Equipment	600.00 per/day
18.	Slings, hooks nets etc	300.00 per/day
19.	Pilot Launch (Point Cruz)	350.00 /hr
20.	Extra Movements of containers	80.00 per/move
21.	Terminal Tractor & trailer (20ft)	300.00 /hr
22.	Terminal Tractor & trailer (40ft)	380.00/hr
23.	Arbilift	200.00/unit
24.	Other equipment not listed above at rates to be negotiated before Hire commences.	

- A surcharge of 50% 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 thereafter the charge is calculated on a pro-rata basis.

2. Miscellaneous Equipment Hire.

1.	Fire Pump	\$30.00 per hour or part thereof
2.	Weighbridge (up to 25 tonnes)	\$30.00 per lift.
3.	Pallets	\$10.00 per day or part thereof.
4.	Chainsaw	\$30.00/hr
5.	Jack hammer	\$30.00/hr
6.	Concrete Vibrator	\$30.00/hr
7.	Concrete Saw	\$30.00/hr
8.	Penalty charge (loading and unloading of unstandardize containers)	
	- Above 20 footer	\$100.00/Unit
	- “ 40 footer	\$200.00/Unit

9.	Gate Passes - Temporary	\$10.00
	- Renewal	\$50.00
	- New vehicle	\$60.00

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Dated at Honiara this twenty-fifth day of September, 2003.

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