

# **PORT CHARGES REGULATIONS**

for Rendsburg Port

**Regulations on the Levying of Port Charges for Rendsburg Port** 

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# I. General Provisions

### **§1** Scope of Application

- (1) Fees and charges shall be levied for the use of Rendsburg Port by vehicles, equipment, and other floating bodies in accordance with these regulations.
- (2) The chargeable port area is defined by the boundaries of Rendsburg Port Authority GmbH and the Kiel Canal in accordance with § 1 of the State Ordinance for Ports in Schleswig-Holstein (Port Ordinance HafVO) in the version dated on November 25, 2014.

### §2 Types of Fees and Charges

- (1) The following fees and charges are levied:
  - a) Port fees (§ 9)
  - b) Berthing fees (§ 10)
  - c) Usage-based charges (§§ 11-15)

### §3 Fee Debtors, Accrual and Due Dates

- (1) The fees are collected by the port operator on behalf of Rendsburg Port Authority GmbH.
- (2) The owners and useres of the vehicles are jointly and severally liable for the fees incurred.
- (3) The port fee is due upon use of the port; the berthing fee upon commencement of the chargeable berthing period.
- (4) Fees are payable upon accrual.
- (5) Annual port fees for calendar years or other defined periods are payable in full, even if the basis for charging arises or ceases during that period. Payments already made for individual calls or temporary use are not credited against such annual fees.
- (6) Usage-based charges accrue upon actual utilization of the service (§§ 11–15).

(7) Payments are to be made in euros (€).

### §4 Reporting Obligations

(1) Vessel masters must complete the online registration form of the port authority fully and truthfully. Missing information may be estimated at cost. Direct link to the online form:

https://www.amt-eiderkanal.de/amtsverwaltung/hafenbehoerde/formular

- (2) Users of annual flat rates (§ 9 para. 4) must report their vehicles by January 15 each year and immediately report any changes (ownership, purpose).
- (3) Representation by an authorized representative is possible, but does not exempt from the reporting responsibility.

### §5 Assessment and Conversion Principles

- (1) Started units are counted as full units.
- (2) The fee rates are net amounts; in the case of services subject to VAT, VAT is charged additionally.
- (3) For seagoing vessels registered in a seagoing vessel register, the gross tonnage (GT) is decisive.
- (4) For inland vessels registered in an inland vessel register, the maximum deadweight in metric tons (tonnes) applies.
- (5) The following applies to the determination of the tonnage in gross tonnage (GT) for non-measured and uncalibrated vessels, equipment and other floating bodies:
  - 1 m<sup>2</sup> of water surface used = 1/3 GT
- (6) The following applies to non-measured military vehicles:
  - 1 tonne displacement = 1 GT
- (7) The water area used is calculated by multiplying the maximum length by the maximum width of the vessel (in m²). The result is rounded up to the next full square meters.

#### §6 Ballast

- (1) Ballast is defined as substances that are not intended for commercial purposes and are used exclusively to ensure the stability of the vehicle, device or other floating body.
- (2) Vessels whose load is no more than half of their maximum load capacity or metric tons are considered ballasted.

### §7 General Exemptions

- (1) Exempt from charges are:
  - Vehicles, devices and floating bodies of the federal government and the State of Schleswig-Holstein used for the purpose of research, supervision, and waterways engineering
  - Pilot, fire-fighting, and rescue vehicles on duty
  - Foreign government vehicles on official duty, flying their national flag and used for state purposes if reciprocity is guaranteed
  - Training ships used exclusively for training purposes

#### §8 Deferral and Waiver of Fees

- (1) Fees may be deferred if their collection is associated with considerable hardship for the fee debtor and the claim is not endangered by the deferral.
- (2) Fees may be waived in full or in part if their collection would be unreasonable in the specific case.

# **II. Port Fees**

# §9 Subject and Amount

(1) A port fee is due for vessels entering or leaving the chargeable port area.

## (2) The fee per entry or exit is as follows:

Vessel Type	Condition	Rate
Seagoing vessels ≤ 2,500 GT	Loaded	€ 0.22 / GT
	Empty or with ballast	€ 0.13 / GT
Seagoing vessels > 2,500 GT	Loaded	€ 0.32 / BRZ
	Empty or with Ballast	€ 0.18 / GT
Inland vessels	Loaded	€ 0.18 / reference ton
	Empty or with Ballast	€ 0,11 / reference ton
Passenger vessels (commercial transport)	-	€ 0.18 / GT
Cruise / RoRo / Container vessels	≤ 10,000 GT	€ 1,000.00
	10,001–15,000 GT	€ 1,380.00
	> 15,000 GT	€ 1,500.00
Military vessels (no cargo)	-	€ 0.18 / GT
Floating cranes	-	€ 0.27 / GT
Tugs	-	€ 0.52 / GT
Pontoons, rafts	-	€ 0.27 / GT
Other floating bodies	-	€ 0.27 / GT

- (3) The rates for vessels sailing empty or with ballast are also applied to vessels discharging parts of their cargo or taking on partial loads if the goods discharged or loaded do not exceed half of their deadweight tons or their maximum carrying capacity.
- (4) In the event of frequent calls at the port, an annual port fee may be charged upon application. In the event of downtime due to repair or sale, the port authority may transfer the lump sum to a replacement vehicle. The fee is calculated on the basis of the largest vehicle used. The additional payment is due when the replacement vehicle is put into operation.
- (5) The annual port charges according to paragraph 9 subparagraph 4 are as follows:

Number of entries and exits p.a.	Factor of individual fee according to paragraph 2
up to 25	18x single fee
up to 50	33x single fee
up to 100	55x single fee

(6) The following "Harbor Administration Charges" apply to vehicles according to § 9 paragraph 1 with goods from third countries (non-EU) that are cleared through customs in Rendsburg Port without unloading or loading:For vessels from non-EU countries processed through customs at Rendsburg Port without loading/unloading, the following "Harbour Administration Charges" apply:

GT Range	Fee
up to 500	€ 34.00
501 – 1,000	€ 66.00
1,001 – 2,500	€ 92.00
2,501 – 5,000	€ 319.00
5,001 – 10,000	€ 510.00
over 10,000	€ 965.00

# **III. Berthing Fees**

## §10 Subject and Amount

- (1) A berthing fee is payable for the lying of vessels in the port area.
- (2) The fee is due:
  - · immediately after entry without handling,
  - or at the end of a berthing period of 12 hours after completion of the unloading and loading process.
- (3) The fee is charged per day (or part thereof):

Vessel Type	Rate
Seagoing vessels	€ 0.13 / GT
Inland vessels	€ 0.09 / reference ton
Equipment / other floating bodies	€ 0.13/ GT

(4) The port authority and the port operator reserve the right to shorten or limit berthing times in order to ensure smooth port operations.

# **IV. Usage-Based Charges**

### §11 Quay Charge

- (1) A quay charge is levied for the use of the quay facilities. It is applied to all goods and containers brought on or off board, as well as to ferry, excursion and cruise passengers.
- (2) The quay fee is charged per entry and exit:

Category	Unit	Rate
General cargo (stowage factor < 1 m³/t)	per ton	€ 0.53
General cargo (stowage factor1–5 m³/t)	per ton	€ 0.84
General cargo (stowage factor > 5 m³/t)	per ton	€ 1.25
Container (empty)	20 ft	€ 6.30
	40 ft	€ 9.40
Container (loaded)	20 ft	€ 7.30
	40 ft	€ 11.40
Passengers	per person	1,80 €

(3) Quay dues are not payable for goods owned by the Federal Republic of Germany, the federal state of Schleswig-Holstein or the district of Rendsburg-Eckernförde or for goods transported directly for their account, provided this also serves the interests of Rendsburg Port.

## §12 Electricity Charge

(1) An electricity charge must be paid for the use of electricity in the port area. The calculation is as follows:

Service	Rate
Lump sum connection/ disconnetion fee	€ 17.00
Power consumption	€ 0.45 / kWh

(2) Individual agreements may be made with large consumers or long-term users.

### §13 Security Charge

- (1) A security charge is levied to meet statutory security requirements in the port area.
- (2) The security charge is levied per port call (per entry and exit) is as follows

Vessel Type	Rate
Seagoing vessels	€ 0.07 / GT
Inland vessels	€ 0.04 / reference ton
Other floating bodies	€ 0.05 / GT

# **§14 Waste Disposal Charge**

- (1) For vessels subject to mandatory waste disposal, a waste disposal charge of € 0.06 per GT is levied per port call, unless an exemption has been granted by the port authority pursuant to § 13 HafEntsVO. This charge includes:
  - € 0.03 per GT for the disposal of oily operational fluids
  - The free disposal of waste in accordance with MARPOL V (houshold-like waste) up to the following volumes:
    - Up to 2.2 m<sup>3</sup> for vessels with  $\leq$  10,000 GT
    - Up to  $5.0 \text{ m}^3$  for vessels with > 10,000 GT

Note: For any amount exceeding these volumes, a charge of € 45.00 per additional m³ will apply.

(2) If little or no waste is generated due to high frequency, only 30% of the fee is charged (paragraph 11 subparagraph 5 HafEntsVO).

(3) The disposal fee does not include the disposal of cargo residues and animal carcasses.

### §15 Mooring Services

- (1) The mooring and unmooring of seagoing and coastal motor vessels in Rendsburg Port must always be carried out by a mooring company approved by the port autority.
- (2) Operations must be carried out under the supervision or in the company of Rendsburg Port GmbH as the operator of the port. On behalf of the Rendsburg Port Authority, Rendsburg Port GmbH is responsible for compliance with the following requirements:
  - a) Ensuring compliance with the requirements for an ISPS-secured port
  - b) Proper and safe mooring and unmooring for liability and insurance reasons
  - c) Access control and regulation when external mooring or third-party companies are deployed within the framework of ISPS requirements.
- (3) If mooring and unmooring is carried out by an external company, supervision by the port captain or terminal manager of Rendsburg Port GmbH is mandatory.
- (4) The costs for monitoring by the port captain or terminal manager and for access control are charged separately to the respective port user or shipping company and calculated as follows:

Service	Rate
Lump sum per ship call (Mon–Fri, 07:00–17:00)	€ 135.00
Night and Saturday surcharge (lump sum)	+ € 65.00
Sunday and public holiday surcharge (lump sum)	+ € 115.00

(5) Rendsburg Port GmbH has its own qualified mooring personnel who can be commissioned to carry out this work.

## **V. Final Provisions**

## § 16 Entry into Force

- (1) These Port Dues Regulations enter into force on **July 01, 2025**.
- (2) At the same time, the Port Dues Regulations of **June 01, 2022** expire.

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