

MINISTER OF TRANSPORT

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**The Minimum Tariff
for Shipping Agency Fees for
Egyptian Ports And Suez Canal Transit**

After reviewing the following:

- General Authorities Law no. 61 for the year 1963
- Presidential decree no. 217 for the year 1978 regarding the establishment of the Red Sea Port Authority
- Presidential decree no. 6 for the year 1967 regarding the establishment of the Alexandria Port Authority
- Presidential decree no. 565 for the year 1980 organizing and setting the responsibilities and functions of the Port Said Port Authority
- Presidential decree no. 494 for the year 1986 regarding the establishment of the Dekhila Port Authority
- Presidential decree no. 57 for the year 2002 regarding the organization of the Ministry of Transport
- Minister of Transport's decree no. 70 for the year 1987 (Maritime Transport) and its amendments regarding the port charges and service tariffs for ports in the Suez Canal and Suez Gulf areas. The decree deals with charges required from owners of foreign vessels and Egyptian vessels, which are to be treated equally in all financial matters.
- Minister of Transport's decree no. 72 for the year 1987 (Maritime Transport) and its amendments regarding the port dues and services tariff for the port of Alexandria. It deals with charges required from shipping agents and owners and operators of foreign and Egyptian vessels, which are not treated in the same way financially.
- Minister of Transport's decree no. 147 for the year 1991 (Maritime Transport) and its amendments dealing with port dues for Port Said, Suez and Red Sea ports (in LE)
- Minister of Transport's decree no. 31 (Maritime Transport) for the year 1998 regarding the setting of licensing charges for the performance of maritime transport activities
- Minister of Transport's decree no. 29 for the year 2002 (Maritime Transport) regarding the reduction of charges on shipping agency services for vessels and yachts.

and based on the approval of the High Council for Ports during the meeting dated 19/01/2003 of material presented by the Maritime Transport Sector Chief, the following has been decided:

Article (1)

The tariff for shipping agency services specified in this decree applies to all Egyptian sea ports and Suez Canal transit:

1.1 Ministry of Transport Maritime Sector Fees for Vessels in Ports and Suez Canal Transit

1.1.1 Basic Fee (value in US\$ per vessel)

1.	Vessels of Gross Registered Tonnage (GRT)	One Port	Two Ports (Suez Canal Transit)
1.1	Up to 3000 GRT	250	400
1.2	From 3001 – 5000 GRT	300	450
1.3	From 5001 – 10000 GRT	400	600
1.4	From 10001 – 20000 GRT	500	750
1.5	From 20001 – 40000 GRT	600	900
1.6	For each additional 20000 tons over 40000 GRT	100	150

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2. Passenger Vessels & Leisure Boats		One Port	Two Ports (Suez Canal Transit)
2.1	Up to 15000 GRT	400	450
2.2	Over 15000 GRT	600	900

3. Other Marine Units		One Port	Two Ports (Suez Canal Transit)
3.1	Yachts over 60 M long	90	150
3.2	Tug Boats and similar	200	300

Additional Fees	
4. Vessel's stay at port	10% of the Basic Fees for each day or part of a day after the first 48 hours, which are free of charge.
5. Vessel's stay at port for non-commercial purposes (provisioning, dry docking, etc...)	10% of the Basic Fees for each day or part of a day after the first 7 days, which are free of charge.

1.1.2 General Conditions:

- Yachts up to 60 m in length are totally exempted.
- 50% discount on Ministry of Transport Maritime Sector Fees for yachts and leisure boats over 60 m in length.
- Collection fees of LE 40 per vessel are to be granted to the shipping agent for collecting the fees mentioned above in item 1.
- For collecting Maritime Transport Sector fees, port authorities will receive a 5% remuneration to be used as employees' incentives (3% for port authority employees + 2% for Maritime Transport Sector employees).
- US\$25 per vessel to be collected as Seamen's Club fees, to be deposited with the Maritime Transport Sector until further instructions regarding the establishment and development of the Seamen's Club and appointment of a responsible party.

1.2 Minimum charges for shipping agency fees

6. Agency Fees for All Types of Vessels		
6.1	Up to 3000 GRT	US\$ 500
6.2	From 3001 – 5000 GRT	US\$ 750
6.3	From 5001 – 10000 GRT	US\$ 1000
6.4	From 10001 – 40000 GRT	US\$ 1250
6.5	Over 40000 GRT	US\$ 1500

- The above charges cover the vessel's stay for the first 5 days. US\$50 should be charged for each day or part of a day thereafter.
- A 50% discount applies on the above mentioned fees for vessels calling only for bunkering, dry docking, provisions/supplies, crew change, or any other non-commercial activities within the port.
- A 50% discount applies when acting as protecting agent.
- A special 50% discount on the above fees applies to cruise and passenger vessels.

7. Crew Change (Signing on/off)

- US\$25 per person with a minimum charge of US\$50
- In addition, actual costs for the following expenses and fees will also be charged: entry visas, consular fees, customs fees, hotel accommodation, transportation and sea/air port customs clearance.

8. Bank Charges

- 1 0% of the total amount of the D/A (disbursement account) with a minimum charge of US\$35

9. Cash to Master

- 1% from the total amount of cash delivery with minimum charge of US\$ 35 and maximum of US\$1000

10. Parcel and Spare Parts Delivery

10.1	Less than 10 kg	US\$ 200
10.2	From 10 to 50 kg	US\$ 300
10.3	From 51 to 100 kg	US\$ 400

- Including clearance at the arrival airport, transport, delivery and customs formalities, transit guarantee and shipping agency fees.
- Parcels over 100 kg: add US\$ 50 for every additional 50kg or part thereof
- Other charges like handling using cranes and storage fees should be added as required.

11. Handling Claims

- 1% of the claim value (final judgment)

12. Sundry and General Expenses (other shipping services) for all kinds of vessels

12.1	Up to 3000 GRT	US\$ 350
12.2	From 3001 – 5000 GRT	US\$ 400
12.3	From 5001 – 10000 GRT	US\$ 600
12.4	From 10001 – 40000 GRT	US\$ 800
12.5	Over 40000 GRT	US\$ 1000

The above charges include the following services:

- Postage and petties (local)
- Arabic translation fees
- Fiscal stamps on customs manifest and documents
- Shore leave passes for crew
- Cab hire for agents' use

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- Communication costs (local)
- Cost of photocopies
- Motorboat hire (for immigration, quarantine, customs and port police)
- Also includes berthing dues for the first 5 days after which an additional fee of 10% is applicable for each additional day or part thereof.
- A special discount of 50% on the above general expenses is applicable for cruise and passenger vessels.

13. Freight Commission for tramp vessels (excluding bulk carriers, tankers, dust, phosphate, gypsum, rice, cement, nitrate in bags, chemical fertilizer, sugar, flower, potato roots)

- Commission on inward freight is 2% with a minimum charge of US\$ 400.

14. Freight Commission for bulk carriers, tankers, liquid bulk and any other vessels excepted in item 13 excluding potato roots, Liner and Tramp Vessels

- Inward cargo covered by charter party or booking note for any kind of dry bulk or liquid bulk (liquid, Gas, chemical) is to be excluded from the above-mentioned commission, excluding potato root vessels. Instead, the following rates apply:
 - Up to 10000 TONS US\$ 400
 - Over 10000 TONS US\$ 25 to be added for each additional 1000 TONS or part thereof

15. Freight Commission on Potato Root Vessels

- US\$ 0.15 per TON (1000 KGs)

16. Freight Commission and other service charges on Container and Liner Vessels

16.1	Inward freight commission	2%
16.2	Outward freight commission	4%
16.3	Commission on demurrage collected	2.5%
16.4	Commission on freight collected	0.5%
16.5	Container Logistics Fee per Import/Export box	US\$ 5
16.6	Container Logistics Fee per Transshipment box	US\$ 4

- Shipping agent's fees for each transit container where the volume of containers exceeds 20000 TEUs/year may be reduced by agreement.

17. Sundry and General Expenses (other shipping services) for Suez Canal Transit (for all types of vessels)

17.1	Up to 3000 GRT	US\$ 350
17.2	From 3001 – 5000 GRT	US\$ 400
17.3	From 5001 – 10000 GRT	US\$ 500
17.4	From 10001 – 40000 GRT	US\$ 600
17.5	Over 40000 GRT	US\$ 800

Includes the expenses mentioned in item 12:

- Postage and petties (local)
- Arabic translation fees

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- Fiscal stamps on customs manifest and documents
- Shore leave passes for crew
- Cab hire for agent use
- Communication costs (local)
- Cost of photocopies
- Motorboat hire (for immigration, quarantine, customs and port police)

Minimum Charge for Yachts and Pleasure boats

18. Agency Fees		
18.1	Yachts up to 60m in length	US\$ 50
18.5	Yachts over 60m in length	US\$ 200

19. General expenses and sundries (other shipping services)		
19.1	Yachts up to 60m in length	US\$ 50
19.5	Yachts over 60m in length	US\$ 200

- The above-mentioned charges include:
 - Postage and petties (local)
 - Arabic translation fees
 - Fiscal stamps on customs manifest and documents
 - Shore leave passes for crew
 - Cab hire for agent use
 - Communication costs (local)
 - Cost of photocopies
 - Motorboat hire (for immigration, quarantine, customs and port police)
- All above mentioned fees to be discounted 50% for yachts over 60m length.

20. Crew Change (signing off/on) for Yachts and Pleasure boats

- The actual cost should be charged.
- Agency fees: exempted.

21. Parcel and Spare Part Delivery

- Same fees specified in item 10 for liner and tramp and Suez Canal Transit

22. General conditions	
22.1	Services rendered by the shipping agent
22.1.1	Negotiations for sale and purchase of vessels
22.1.2	Charter party supervision and negotiation
22.1.3	Collecting cargo freight, daily hire fees wherever necessary and arranging financial settlement
22.1.4	Arranging customs clearance and preparing and issuing freight documents
22.1.5	Providing all necessary documents and arranging all activities related to shipping agency services in order to accelerate the cargo delivery process
22.1.6	Coordinating and supervising vessel movements (entering the port, stay, departure from the port or Suez Canal Transit).
22.1.7	Arranging all necessary services for vessel during their stay in port or Suez Canal Transit
22.1.8	Reporting regularly to the principal regarding container booking
22.1.9	Organizing and supervising all operations related to container handling, storage, booking, delivery and reloading empty containers.
22.1.10	Providing Services to vessel and crew during their stay in port
22.2	These tariffs constitute the minimum charge for the above-mentioned items.
22.3	If a cruise vessel crosses the Suez Canal before or after calling on an Egyptian port during the same voyage and using the same shipping agent without calling on any foreign port in between, a 50% discount is applicable on the agency fees.
22.4	Fees for collecting garbage bags from vessels crossing the Suez Canal paid to companies licensed to perform maritime works:
22.4.1	First 1 CBM US\$ 50
22.4.2	Up to 10 CBM add US\$ 25/CBM
22.4.3	Over 10 CBM add US\$ 10/CBM
22.4.4	Minimum charge US\$ 40
22.4.5	If the service is not performed, a certificate should be given to the captain for US\$ 25
22.5	Rebates given to ship owners and collected by the shipping agency on the ship owner's behalf should be returned without deducting any shipping agency commissions of any kind including Long-Haul voyages.
22.6	This tariff is valid for liner vessels as of the date of publishing in the official bulletin. It does not apply to contracts signed before the issue date of this decree.
22.7	The Maritime Transport Sector is responsible through its technical licensing committees for specifying the regulations for revoking the license of any shipping agency which does not abide by the contents of this decree subject to the approval of the Minister of Transport

Article (2)

The above-mentioned tariff applies to Egyptian flag vessels on the basis of 1 US\$ = EGP 1

Article (3)

Item A of article 1 of decree no. 31/1998 (Maritime Transport) is amended to state:

"The port authorities shall collect the Maritime Transport Sector fees as described in the decree of the Minister of Transport and deliver them to the Maritime Transport Sector at the Ministry of Transport."
(Other articles remain unchanged)

Article (4)

The Maritime Transport Sector is authorized to revoke the licence of any shipping agency which does not abide by the contents of this decree for one month the first time and two months the second time. If a third breach occurs, the entire subject is to be presented the license committee in order to consider the cancellation of the licence.

Article (5)

These fees are to be reviewed every 3 years or as the necessity arises.

Article (6)

All authorities concerned should proceed with enforcing the present decree. All texts contradicting the provisions herein are to be overridden.

Article (7)

The present decree shall be published in the official bulletin Al-Wakai' al-Misriya and shall be enforced from the date of publication.

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