

PILOTAGE FEE

The pilotage fee system was revised as follows;

- Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism publishes maximum amounts of rates of each pilotage district,
- each pilot applies the rates within the maximum amounts and notifies the rates for approval of the minister.

The tariff incorporates the basic rates and additional rates. The basic rate applies to vessels with gross tonnage 1,000 tons or below having a loaded draught 3 meters or below, whereas the additional rate applies to vessels with gross tonnage greater than the forementioned in such a manner that additional fees are computed for every 1,000 tons of tonnage exceeding 1,000 tons gross and for every 30 centimeters of draught exceeding 3 meters.

The above calculation method can be expressed by the following formula:

(1) Specified pilotage routes

$$A + B ((\text{GRT} - 1,000)/1,000 + (D - 3.00)/0.3)$$

where

A : basic rate

B : additional rate

GRT: gross tonnage

D : deepest draught in meters

(2) Not specified pilotage routes

$$(A' + B' ((\text{GRT} - 1,000)/1,000 + (D - 3.00)/0.3)) \times d$$

where

A' : basic rate per mile

B' : additional rate per mile

d : distance (nautical miles)

The basic rate (A, A') and additional rate (B, B') are stated in each pilot's tariff. The present ranges of the rate varies by pilots in each districts as follows

A : JPY 2,619 ~ 302,736

A' : JPY 1,760 ~ 2,780

JPY: Japanese yen

B : JPY 180 ~ 11,462

B' : JPY 66 ~ 104

Non-Power-Driven Vessels

For piloting a non-power-driven ship, an 80% of extra fee is charged on top of the regular pilotage fee.

Dual Pilotage

When a vessel is served by two pilots, fees for such dual pilotage services are computed on the basis of the modified rate of 75~85% against the prescribed rates being applied to each one of the pilots in a team except for a vessel with her wheelhouse located on one side of the vessel where the full rate is applied to each pilot.

Trial Trip

For pilotage services rendered during trial trip, adjustment of compass and calibration of radio direction finder, the rates for entering port operation of vessels are applied.

When such services exceed 2 hours, a 50% of extra fee is added for each hour or fraction thereof after the first 2-hour period.

Night Extra Charge

For pilotage services at night-time (between sunrise and sunset), a 50% of extra fee is charged on top of the regular rates.

Multi-Decker Extra Charge

For pilotage services rendered to multi-decked ships, an extra fee is charged. The rate is calculated by the following formula:

$$B \text{ (or B')} \times ((3.5/1,000) \times L^3 - 1.2 \times \text{GRT})/1,000$$

L : Length overall.

Winter Extra Charge

For pilotage service during winter season (December ~ March) in northern pilotage districts, 10~40% of daytime fee is charged on top of the regular pilotage fee.

Detention

For any detention caused to a pilot or his boat already despatched, which is exceeding 30-minute period with respect to the designated time of commencement of pilotage service, JPY 5,400 of waiting charge is billed for each additional 30 minutes of detention or fraction thereof.