

PORT CIRCULAR NO 11 OF 2017

To: All Port Operators
From: Captain of the Port
Date: 20 December 2017
Re: MARPOL SCHEME

Dear All

Please note that decision has been taken to proceed with implementation of the new Marpol Scheme. The fee structure, as well as provision of service for Marpol Annex I will commence on the 1st January 2018.

Provision of service with regards to Marpol Annex V will start as from the 1st February.

In the interim period (Between the 1st January and the 1st February), those ships calling at Gibraltar and seeking to discharge Annex V waste will be granted a 10% discount on the Marpol fee.

Additionally, and in continuation to our previous circular referring to the implementation of the New Marpol Scheme, please be guided below:

STRUCTURE OF SERVICE

Pre-arrival notification

Ships calling at Gibraltar are required to submit their annex II pre-arrival waste declarations at least 24 hours prior to arrival.

The waste declaration form will be reviewed by our contracted agents (Messrs Greenport) prior to ship being cleared for entry into BGTW. Any incomplete declarations or non-compliant declarations will be rejected, and when deemed appropriate an administrative fee (£200) may be charged to the agent / ship. The waste discharge will be determined by the information provided in the annex II pre-arrival waste declaration; on the basis of this information our contractors will make the required arrangements for the ship to be able to discharge the waste indicated in this form.

In cases where the ship is seeking (or requires) to discharge waste beyond its 'free entitlement', our contractor will advise the ship's agent in advance of the additional fees to be incurred for this service.

In cases where a ship / agent does not submit the annex II pre-arrival waste declaration into VMS 24 hours prior to the ships arrival, the ship will only be provided the free discharge services on a 'best endeavours' basis, depending on operational commitments at the time of the ship's arrival to Gibraltar.

Any vessel observed to have onboard significantly different amounts of waste from the information provided in their pre-arrival waste declaration is liable to administrative fees, as well as further enforcement action from GPA. Any such actions will immediately be notified to the ship's agents for their information.

MANDATORY DISCHARGE CRITERIA OF MARPOL SCHEME

All ships will have to ensure compliance with the following requirements.

Ships whose next port of call is within the EU

Ships whose next port of call is an EU member state may sail if it follows from the information given in accordance with the pre-arrival waste declaration Annex II, that there is sufficient dedicated storage capacity for all ship-generated waste that has been accumulated and will be accumulated -during the intended voyage of the ship until the port of delivery.

Ships whose next port of call is outside the EU or Unknown

Ships whose next port of call is outside the EU or unknown will only be allowed to sail if they meet the dedicated storage space remaining for the prescribed wastes set out in Table 1 below.

If it follows from the information provided in the pre-arrival waste declaration that the ship does not have the available dedicated storage space as described in table 1 the ship will be required to deliver its waste before departure from the port.

Ships for orders/unknown or Non EU ports		
Waste Type	Annex I (Waste Oil)	Annex V (Garbage)
% Storage space remaining	75%	75%

Table 1 Mandatory discharge criteria

BY ORDER OF THE CAPTAIN OF THE PORT