L.N. 217 of 2012

AUTHORITY FOR TRANSPORT IN MALTA ACT
(CAP. 499)
PORTS AND SHIPPING ACT
(CAP. 352)
Towage (Tariff of Rates) (Amendment) Regulations, 2012

IN exercise of the powers conferred by articles 43(1) and (3) of the Authority for Transport in Malta Act and article 27 of the Ports and Shipping Act, the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Communications, in consultation with the Authority for Transport in Malta and in concurrence with the Minister of Finance, the Economy and Investment, has made the following regulations:-

Citation and commencement.

S.L. 499.49.

1. (1) The title of these regulations is the Towage (Tariff of Rates) (Amendment) Regulations, 2012 and these regulations shall be read and construed as one with the Towage (Tariff of Rates) Regulations, hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations".

(2) These regulations shall come into force on 1st July, 2012.

Amends the Schedule to the principal regulations.

2. The Schedule to the principal regulations shall be amended as follows:

(a) for the tariff of rates appearing before the Notes in the Schedule there shall be substituted the following:

"Rates per tug per hour or part thereof

Column 1	Column 2 Normal Rates (Vide Note 2)	Column 3 Rates applicable between 1800 hours of one day and 0600 hours of the next following day and at any time on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays. (Vide Note 3)
	€	€
For vessels up to 3,000 gross tons (gt)	290	395
For vessels of gross tons (gt) between:		
3,001 and 6,000	365	520
6,001 and 10,000	460	660
10,001 and 13,000	550	795
13,001 and 16,000	640	930
16,001 and 20,000	780	1,130

20,001 and 24,000	900	1,315
24,001 and 35,000	1,025	1,495
35,001 and 45,000	1,115	1,635
45,001 and 60,000	1,225	1,805
60,001 and 80,000	1,360	2,010
80,001 and 100,000	1,495	2,215
100,001 and 150,000	1,610	2,370
150,001 and 200,000	1,760	2,600
For vessels exceeding 200,000 gross tons (gt)	1,910	2,830".

(b) for the proviso to Note (2) there shall be substituted the following:

"Provided that when additional tugs are required over and above the tugs continuously manned in the Grand Harbour or Marsaxlokk respectively, the charges for the additional tugs required shall be computed at the rates under Column 3 or the charges computed at the rates under Column 2 increased by €350 per tug, whichever is the greater.";

(c) for Note (3) there shall be substituted the following:

"(3) For services between 1800 hours of one day and 0600 hours of the next following day or at any time on a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday, there shall be applicable either the charges computed at the rates under Column 3 or the charges computed at the rates under Column 2 increased by €690 per tug, whichever is the greater.";

(d) for the first paragraph of Note (6) there shall be substituted the following:

"The rates payable for the assistance of disabled vessels shall be increased by fifty per centum, subject to a minimum of €1,375 per tug for vessels up to 3,000 gross tons (gt) and subject to a minimum of €2,290 per tug for vessels exceeding 3,000 gross tons (gt):

Provided that this additional charge shall not apply to non self-propelled barges and other vessels, both under forty-five (45) metres in length."; and

(e) for Note 7, there shall be substituted the following:

"Subject to the provisions of regulation 4, when an additional tug is ordered for service, over and above the tugs continuously manned in the Grand Harbour or Marsaxlokk respectively, at any time, without being given at least four hours notice, an extra charge of €460 per tug shall be made.".

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