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PILOTAGE RULES

WAC 363-116-070 Collection of fees. All pilots shall pay an annual license fee of six thousand five hundred dollars or such amount as may be set by statute for every year in which they perform any pilotage services. If a licensed pilot does not perform pilotage services during a license year, his/her fee for that year shall be reduced to one thousand dollars upon application to the board. The board of pilotage commissioners shall receive all fees for licenses or for other purposes and make proper accounting of same and transmit all such funds to the pilotage account.

WAC 363-116-070 Training program. After passing the written examination and simulator evaluation, pilot applicants pursuing a pilot license must enter and successfully complete a training program specified by the board.

(1) Notification. Pilot applicants on the list waiting to enter the training program shall provide the board with a current address to be used for notification for entry into the training program. Such address shall be a place at which mail is delivered. In addition, a pilot applicant may provide the board with other means of contact such as a phone number, fax number, and/or an e-mail address. The mailing address will, however, be considered the primary means of notification by the board. It will be the responsibility of the pilot applicant to ensure that the board has a current mailing address at all times. If a pilot applicant cannot personally receive mail at the address provided to the board for any period of time, another person may be designated in writing with a notarized copy to the board as having power of attorney specifically to act in the pilot applicant's behalf regarding such notice. If notice sent to the address provided by the pilot applicant is returned after three attempts to deliver, that pilot applicant will be skipped and the next pilot applicant on the list will be contacted for entry into the training program. A person so skipped will remain next on the list. A pilot applicant or his/her designated attorney in fact shall respond within fifteen calendar days of receipt of notification to accept, refuse, or request a delayed entry into the training program.

(2) Entry. At such time that the board chooses to start a pilot applicant in the training program, notification shall be given to the first person on the list. Pilot applicants shall be eligible in the order of their total combined scores on the written examination and simulator evaluation or as otherwise may be determined by the board. A pilot applicant who refuses entry into the program will be removed from the waiting list with no further obligation by the board to offer a position in the training program to such pilot applicant. A pilot applicant who is not able to start the training program on the date the board sets for that pilot applicant's entry into the training program may, with written consent of the board, delay entry into the training program for up to two months. The board will then give notice to the next pilot applicant on the list to enter the training program. The pilot applicant who delays entry, shall remain eligible for the next position in the training program, provided that the next position becomes available within the earlier of:

(a) Four years from the pilot applicant's taking the written examination; or

(b) The date scheduled for the next pilotage examination.

Pilot applicants not able to start in the training program within two months of the date the board sets for that pilot applicant's entry into the training program and who do not obtain the board's written consent to delay entry into the training program shall no longer be eligible for the training program without retaking the examination provided in WAC 363-116-076 and the simulator evaluation provided in WAC 363-116-077.

(3) Training license. Prior to receiving a training license, pilot applicants must pass a physical examination by a board-designated physician and in accordance with the requirements of WAC 363-116-120 for initial pilot applicants. A form provided by the board must be completed by the physician and submitted to the board along with a cover letter indicating the physician's findings and recommendations as to the pilot applicant's fitness to pilot. The physical examination must be taken not more than ninety days before issuance of the training license. Holders of a training license will be required to pass a general physical examination annually within ninety days prior to the anniversary date of that license. Training license physical examinations will be at the expense of the pilot applicant. All training licenses shall be signed by the chairperson or his/her designee and shall have an expiration date. Training licenses shall be surrendered to the board upon completion or termination of the training program.

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(4) Development. As soon as practical after receiving notification of eligibility for entry into the training program as set forth in this section, the pilot applicant shall meet with the trainee evaluation committee for the purpose of devising a training program for that pilot applicant. The training program shall be tailored to the ability and experience of the individual pilot applicant and shall consist of observation trips, training trips in which the pilot applicant pilots the vessel under the supervision of licensed pilots, ship assist tug trips, and such other forms of learning and instruction that may be designated. The trainee evaluation committee shall recommend a training program for adoption by the board. After adoption by the board, it will be presented to the pilot applicant. If the pilot applicant agrees in writing to the training program, the board shall issue a training license to the pilot applicant, which license shall authorize the pilot applicant to take such actions as are contained in the training program. If the pilot applicant does not agree to the terms of the training program in writing within fifteen business days of it being received by the pilot applicant, that pilot applicant shall no longer be eligible for entry into the training program and the board may give notice to the next available pilot applicant that he/she is eligible for the training program.

(5) Initial evaluation.

(a) The trainee evaluation committee shall create an initial evaluation at the beginning of each pilot applicant's training program subject to approval by the board. The goal of the initial evaluation is to, as soon as practical after adequate observation of the pilot applicant, have the pilot trainee involved in hands-on piloting and ship handling under the supervision of licensed pilots and subject to the evaluation of training pilots. To this end the trainee evaluation committee shall devise an initial evaluation of a specified length not to exceed eight months if the pilot trainee is on stipend and fifteen months if not on stipend or within such time frame as may be established by the board. The initial evaluation shall:

(i) Afford the pilot trainee early and concentrated exposure to a commonly navigated waterway, channel or tributary within the pilotage district and the main ship channel routes between such area and the seaward boundary of the pilotage district;

(ii) Except for pilot trainees taking an examination prior to July 1, 2008, provide the pilot trainee the opportunity to study for and pass any local knowledge examinations provided by the board as to the conditions found in such waterway, channel or tributary;

(iii) Specify a number of training trips in which the pilot trainee pilots vessels under the supervision of licensed pilots; and

(iv) Specify a number of training trips in which the pilot trainee pilots vessels under the supervision of training pilots and the pilot members of the trainee evaluation committee.

(b) As a condition of completing the initial evaluation, the pilot trainee shall:

(i) Pass any required local knowledge examinations given by the board covering the routes described in (a)(i) of this subsection. This examination can be repeated as necessary, provided that it may not be taken more than once in any seven day period and further provided that it must be successfully passed before the expiration date of the initial evaluation; and

(ii) Possess a first class pilotage endorsement without tonnage or other restrictions on his/her United States government license to pilot in at least one route in the pilotage district in which the pilot applicant seeks a license.

(c) After completion of the initial evaluation, the trainee evaluation committee shall make a recommendation to the board and the board shall determine, whether the pilot trainee has demonstrated the potential for superior piloting and ship handling and has demonstrated the ability to assimilate and retain the local knowledge necessary to pilot. Unless the board finds that such superior potential exists, it shall terminate the pilot trainee's participation in the training program.

(6) Specification of trips. To the extent possible, the training program shall provide a wide variety of assignments, observation and training trips. The training program may contain deadlines for achieving full or partial completion of certain necessary actions. Where relevant, it may specify such factors as route, sequence of trips, weather conditions, day or night, stern or bow first, draft, size of ship and any other relevant factors. The board may designate specific trips or specific numbers of trips that shall be made with training pilots or with the pilot members of the trainee evaluation committee or with pilots of specified experience. In the Puget Sound pilotage district, pilot applicants taking an examination before July 1, 2008, shall complete a minimum of one hundred thirty trips. After July 1, 2008, all Puget Sound pilotage district pilot applicants shall complete a minimum of one hundred fifty trips. The board shall set from time to time the minimum number of trips for pilot applicants in the Grays Harbor pilotage district. The board will ensure that during the training program the pilot trainee will get significant review by training pilots and the pilot members of the trainee evaluation committee.

(7) Local knowledge. The training program shall provide opportunities for the education of pilot trainees and shall provide for testing of pilot trainees on the local knowledge necessary to become a pilot. This education program shall be developed by the trainee evaluation committee and recommended to the board for adoption and shall be tailored to the needs of the individual pilot trainee. It shall be the responsibility of the pilot trainee to obtain the local knowledge necessary to be licensed as a pilot in the district for which he/she is applying. Prior to the completion of the training program, the board, or its designee, may give such local knowledge examinations(s) as it deems appropriate to the pilot trainee who shall be required to pass such examination(s) before completing the training program. The trainee evaluation committee may require a pilot trainee to sit for a local knowledge examination provided the trainee evaluation committee informs the pilot trainee in writing sixty days in advance of the scheduled date of the examination. Failure to sit for the examination on the date scheduled may constitute cause for removal from the training program. The trainee evaluation committee may also establish in writing such interim performance requirements as it deems necessary. These local examinations can be repeated as necessary, except that an examination for the same local area may not be taken more than once in any seven day period and all required local knowledge examinations must be successfully passed before the expiration date of the training program. The local knowledge required of a pilot trainee and the local knowledge examina-
tion(s) may include the following subjects as they pertain to the pilotage district for which the pilot trainee seeks a license:

(a) Area geography;
(b) Waterway configurations including channel depths, widths and other characteristics;
(c) Hydrology and hydraulics of large ships in shallow water and narrow channels;
(d) Tides and currents;
(e) Winds and weather;
(f) Local aids to navigation;
(g) Bottom composition;
(h) Local docks, berths and other marine facilities including length, least depths and other characteristics;
(i) Mooring line procedures;
(j) Local traffic operations e.g., fishing, recreational, dredging, military and regattas;
(k) Vessel traffic system;
(l) Marine VHF usage and phraseology, including bridge-to-bridge communications regulations;
(m) Air draft and keel clearances;
(n) Submerged cable and pipeline areas;
(o) Overhead cable areas and clearances;
(p) Bridge transit knowledge - signals, channel width, regulations, and closed periods;
(q) Lock characteristics, rules and regulations;
(r) Commonly used anchorage areas;
(s) Danger zone and restricted area regulations;
(t) Regulated navigation areas;
(u) Naval operation area regulations;
(v) Local ship assist and escort tug characteristics;
(w) Tanker escort rules - state and federal;
(x) Use of anchors and knowledge of ground tackle;
(y) Applicable federal and state marine and environmental safety law requirements;
(z) Marine security and safety zone concerns;
(aa) Harbor safety plan and harbor regulations;
(bb) Chapters 88.16 RCW and 363-116 WAC, and other relevant state and federal regulations in effect on the date the examination notice is published pursuant to WAC 363-116-076, and

(cc) Courses in degrees true and distances in nautical miles and tenths of miles between points of land, navigational buoys and fixed geographical reference points, and the distance off points of land for such courses as determined by parallel indexing along pilotage routes.

(8) Length.

(a) In the Puget Sound pilotage district, for pilot applicants taking an examination before July 1, 2008, the minimum length of the training program shall be seven months. For pilot applicants who take an examination on or after July 1, 2008, the minimum length of the training program shall be eight months. The maximum length of the training program shall be thirty-six months if the pilot applicant elects to receive a stipend. The length of the training program shall be established by the board based on the recommendation of the trainee evaluation committee.

(b) In the Grays Harbor pilotage district, the length of the training program shall be set by the board based on the recommendation of the trainee evaluation committee.

(9) Rest. It is the pilot trainee's responsibility to provide adequate rest time so that he/she is fully able to pilot on training trips. Pilot trainees shall not take pilot training trips in which they will be piloting the vessel without observing the rest rules for pilots in place by federal or state law or regulation. For purposes of calculating rest required before a training trip in which the pilot trainee will be piloting after an observation trip in which the pilot trainee did not pilot the vessel, such observation trip shall be treated as though it had been a normal pilot training assignment. Nothing herein shall be construed as requiring any particular amount of rest before any observation trip in which the pilot trainee will not be piloting.

(10) Stipend.

(a) At the initial meeting with the trainee evaluation committee the pilot applicant shall indicate whether he/she wishes to receive a stipend during the training program. In the Puget Sound pilotage district, as a condition of receiving such stipend, pilot applicants will agree to forego during the training program other full- or part-time employment which prevents them from devoting themselves on a full-time basis to the completion of the training program. With the consent of the board and the restructuring of the training program, pilot trainees may elect to change from a stipend to nonstipend status, and vice versa, during the training program. The stipend paid to pilot trainees shall be six thousand dollars per month (or such other amount as may be set by the board from time to time), shall be contingent upon the board's setting of a training surcharge in the tariffs levied pursuant to WAC 363-116-185 and 363-116-300 sufficient to cover the expense of the stipend and shall be paid from a pilot training account as directed by the board and pursuant thereto shall be paid to pilot trainees as set forth below:

(i) Determinations as to stipend entitlement will be made on a full calendar month basis and documentation of trips will be submitted to the board by the fifth day of the following month. The stipend will be paid on an all or nothing basis for each month except that prorations shall be allowed at the rate of two hundred dollars per day (or such other amount as may be set by the board from time to time), under the following circumstances:

(A) For the first and last months of the training program (unless the training program starts on the first or ends on the last day of a month); or

(B) For a pilot trainee who is deemed unfit for duty by a board-designated physician during a training month; or

(C) For a pilot trainee who requests a change from a nonstipend status to a stipend status, or from a stipend status to a nonstipend status as set forth in (a) (vi) of this subsection.

(ii) A certain minimum number of trips are required each month for eligibility to receive the stipend. This minimum number shall be specified in the training program and shall be the total number of trips required in the training program divided by the number of months in the training program. Only trips required by the training program can be used to satisfy this minimum. Trips will be documented at the end of each month.

(iii) It is the pilot trainee's responsibility to make all hard-to-get trips before the end of the training program. If a training program is extended due to a failure to get all of these trips, the board may elect not to pay the stipend if the missing trips were available to the pilot trainee but not taken.
(iv) The trainee evaluation committee with approval by the board may allocate, assign or specify training trips among multiple pilot trainees. Generally, the pilot trainee who finished the qualifying examination and simulator evaluation with the highest score has the right of first refusal of training trips provided that the trainee evaluation committee may, with approval by the board, allocate or assign training trips differently as follows:

(A) When it is necessary to accommodate any pilot trainee's initial evaluation program;

(B) When it is necessary to spread hard-to-get trips among pilot trainees so that as many as possible complete required trips on time. If a pilot trainee is deprived of a hard-to-get trip by the trainee evaluation committee, that trip will not be considered "available" under (a)(ii) of this subsection. However, the pilot trainee will still be required to complete the minimum number of trips for the month in order to receive a stipend, and the minimum number of trips as required to complete his/her training program;

(v) If a pilot trainee elects to engage in any full- or part-time employment, the terms and conditions of such employment must be submitted to the trainee evaluation committee for prior determination by the board of whether such employment complies with the intent of this section prohibiting employment that "prevents (pilot trainees) from devoting themselves on a full-time basis to the completion of the training program."

(vi) If a pilot trainee requests to change to a nonstipend status as provided in this section such change shall be effective for a minimum nonstipend period of thirty days, provided that before any change takes effect the board and the pilot trainee must agree in writing on the terms of a revised training program.

(b) Any approved pilot association or other organization collecting the pilotage tariff levied by WAC 363-116-185 or 363-116-300 shall transfer the pilot training surcharge receipts to the board at least once a month or otherwise dispose of such funds as directed by the board. The board may set different training stipends for different pilotage districts. Receipts from the training surcharge shall not belong to the pilot providing the service to the ship that generated the surcharge or to the pilot association or other organization collecting the surcharge receipts, but shall be disposed of as directed by the board. Pilot associations or other organizations collecting surcharge receipts shall provide an accounting of such funds to the board on a quarterly basis or at such other intervals as may be requested by the board. Any audited financial statements filed by pilot associations or other organizations collecting pilotage tariffs shall include an accounting of the collection and disposition of these surcharges. The board shall direct the disposition of all funds in the account.

(11) Trainee evaluation committee. There is hereby created a trainee evaluation committee to which members shall be appointed by the board. The committee shall include at a minimum: Three active licensed Washington state pilots, who, to the extent possible, shall be from the district in which the pilot trainee seeks a license and at least one of whom shall be a member of the board; one representative of the marine industry from the relevant pilotage district (who may be a board member) who holds, or has held, the minimum U.S. Coast Guard license required by RCW 88.16.090; and one other member of the board who is not a pilot. The committee may include such other persons as may be appointed by the board. The committee shall be chaired by a pilot member of the board and shall meet as necessary to complete the tasks accorded it. In the event that the trainee evaluation committee cannot reach consensus with regard to any issue it shall report both majority and minority opinions to the board.

(12) Training pilots. The board shall designate as training pilots those pilots with a minimum of seven years of piloting in the relevant district who are willing to undergo such training as the board may require and provide. The board may establish a lower experience level for the Grays Harbor pilotage district. Training pilots shall receive such training from the board to better enable them to give guidance and training to pilot trainees and to properly evaluate the performance of pilot trainees. The board shall keep a list of training pilots available for public inspection at all times. All pilot members of the trainee evaluation committee shall also be training pilots.

(13) Evaluation. When a pilot trainee pilots a vessel under the supervision of another pilot, the supervising pilot shall, to the extent possible, communicate with and give guidance to the pilot trainee in an effort to make the trip a valuable learning experience. After each such trip, the supervising pilot shall complete a form provided by the board evaluating the pilot trainee's performance. Evaluation forms prepared by licensed pilots who are not training pilots shall be used by the trainee evaluation committee and the board for assessing a pilot trainee's progress, providing guidance to the pilot trainee and for making alterations to the training program. All evaluation forms shall be delivered or mailed by the supervising pilot to the board. They shall not be given to the pilot trainee. The supervising pilot may show the contents of the form to the pilot trainee, but the pilot trainee has no right to see the form until it is filed with the board. The trainee evaluation committee shall review these evaluation forms from time to time and the chairperson of the trainee evaluation committee shall report the progress of all pilot trainees at each meeting of the board. If it deems it necessary, the trainee evaluation committee may recommend, and the board may make, changes from time to time in the training program requirements applicable to a pilot trainee, including the length of the training program.

(14) Removal. A pilot trainee may be removed from the training program by the board if it finds any of the following:

(a) Failure to maintain the minimum federal license required by RCW 88.16.090;

(b) Conviction of an offense involving drugs or involving the personal consumption of alcohol;

(c) Failure to devote full time to training in the Puget Sound pilotage district if receiving a stipend;

(d) The pilot trainee is not physically fit to pilot;

(e) Failure to make satisfactory progress toward timely completion of the program or timely meeting of interim performance requirements in the training program;

(f) Inadequate performance on examinations or other actions required by the training program;

(g) Failure to demonstrate the superior skills required in the initial evaluation;

(h) Inadequate performance on training trips; or
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(i) Violation of a training program requirement, law, regulation or directive of the board.

(15) Completion of the training program shall include the requirement that the pilot trainee:

(a) Successfully complete the requirements set forth in the training program;

(b) Possess a valid first class pilotage endorsement without tonnage or other restrictions on his/her United States government license to pilot in all of the waters of the pilotage district in which the pilot applicant seeks a license; and

(c) Successfully complete any local knowledge examination(s) required by the board and specified in the training program.


CLASSIFICATION RATE

Charges for piloting of vessels in the inland waters and tributaries of Grays Harbor shall consist of the following:

Draft and Tonnage Charges:
Each vessel shall be charged according to its draft and tonnage for each vessel movement inbound to the Grays Harbor pilotage district, and for each movement outbound from the district.

Draft $100.12 per meter
or
$30.51 per foot

Tonnage $0.287 per net registered ton
Minimum Net Registered Tonnage $1,004.00
Extra Vessel (in case of tow) $562.00

Provided that, due to unique circumstances in the Grays Harbor pilotage district, vessels that call, and load or discharge cargo, at Port of Grays Harbor Terminal No. 2 shall be charged $5,562.00 per movement for each vessel movement inbound to the district for vessels that go directly to Terminal No. 2, or that go to anchor and then go directly to Terminal No. 2, or because Terminal No. 2 is not available upon arrival that go to layberth at Terminal No. 4 (without loading or discharging cargo) and then go directly to Terminal No. 2, and for each vessel movement outbound from the district from Terminal No. 2, and that this charge shall be in lieu of only the draft and tonnage charges listed above.

Boarding Charge:
Per each boarding/deboarding from a boat or helicopter $1,030.00

Harbor Shifts:
For each shift from dock to dock, dock to anchorage, anchorage to dock, or anchorage to anchorage $699.00

Delays per hour $164.00
Cancellation charge (pilot only) $274.00
Cancellation charge (boat or helicopter only) $822.00

Two Pilots Required:
When two pilots are employed for a single vessel transit, the second pilot charge shall include the harbor shift charge of $699.00 and in addition, when a bridge is transited the bridge transit charge of $301.00 shall apply.

Pension Charge:
Charge per pilotage assignment, including cancellations $271.00

Travel Allowance:
Transportation charge per assignment $100.00
Pilot when traveling to an outlying port to join a vessel or returning through an outlying port from a vessel which has been piloted to sea shall be paid $931.00 for each day or fraction thereof, and the travel expense incurred.

Bridge Transit:
Charge for each bridge transited $301.00
Additional surcharge for each bridge transited for vessels in excess of 27.5 meters in beam $833.00

Miscellaneous:
The balance of amounts due for pilotage rates not paid within 30 days of invoice will be assessed at 1 1/2% per month late charge.


CLASSIFICATION Ship length overall (LOA) 

Charges: 

Per LOA rate schedule in this section. 

Boarding charge: 

Per each boarding/deboarding at the Port Angeles pilot station. 

Harbor shift - Live ship (Seattle Port) 

Harbor shift - Live ship (other than Seattle Port) 

Harbor shift - Dead ship 

Towing charge - Dead ship: 

LOA of tug + LOA of tow + beam of tow 

Any tow exceeding seven hours, two pilots are mandatory. Harbor shifts shall constitute and be limited to those services in moving vessels from dock to dock, from anchorage to dock, from dock to anchorage, or from anchorage to anchorage in the same port after all other applicable tariff charges for pilotage services have been recognized as payable.

Compass Adjustment $349.00 

Radio Direction Finder Calibration $349.00 

Launching Vessels $524.00 

Trial Trips, 6 hours or less (minimum $984.00) $164.00 per hour 

Trial Trips, over 6 hours (two pilots) $328.00 per hour 

Shilshole Bay – Salmon Bay $205.00 

Salmon Bay – Lake Union $159.00 

Lake Union – Lake Washington (plus LOA zone from Webster Point) $205.00 

Cancellation Charge LOA Zone I 

Cancellation Charge – Port Angeles: LOA Zone II 

(When a pilot is ordered and vessel proceeds to a port outside the Puget Sound pilotage district without stopping for a pilot or when a pilot order is canceled less than twelve hours prior to the original ETA.)

Waterway and Bridge Charges:

Ships up to 90' beam: 

A charge of $258.00 shall be in addition to bridge charges for any vessel movements both inbound and outbound required to transit south of Spokane Street in Seattle, south of Eleventh Street in any of the Tacoma waterways, in Port Gamble, or in the Snohomish River. Any vessel movements required to transit through bridges shall have an additional charge of $123.00 per bridge.

Ships 90' beam and/or over: 

A charge of $350.00 shall be in addition to bridge charges for any vessel movements both inbound and outbound required to transit south of Spokane Street in Seattle and south of Eleventh Street in any of the Tacoma waterways. Any vessel movements required to transit through bridges shall have an additional charge of $244.00 per bridge.

(The above charges shall not apply to transit of vessels from Shilshole Bay to the limits of Lake Washington.)

Two or three pilots required: 

In a case where two or three pilots are employed for a single vessel waterway or bridge transit, the second and/or third pilot charge shall include the bridge and waterway charge in addition to the harbor shift rate.

Docking Delay After Anchoring: 

Applicable harbor shift rate to apply, plus $266.00 per hour standby. No charge if delay is 60 minutes or less. If the delay is more than 60 minutes, charge is $266.00 for every hour or fraction thereof.

Sailing Delay: 

No charge if delay is 60 minutes or less. If the delay is more than 60 minutes, charge is $266.00 for every hour or fraction thereof. The assessment of the standby charge shall not exceed a period of twelve hours in any twenty-four-hour period.

Slowdown: 

When a vessel chooses not to maintain its normal speed capabilities for reasons determined by the vessel and not the pilot, and when the difference in arrival time is one hour, or greater, from the predicted arrival time had the vessel maintained its normal speed capabilities, a charge of $266.00 per hour, and each fraction thereof, will be assessed for the resultant difference in arrival time.

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Delayed Arrival – Port Angeles:
When a pilot is ordered for an arriving inbound vessel at Port Angeles and the vessel does not arrive within two hours of its ETA, or its ETA is amended less than six hours prior to the original ETA, a charge of $266.00 for each hour delay, or fraction thereof, shall be assessed in addition to all other appropriate charges.

When a pilot is ordered for an arriving inbound vessel at Port Angeles and the ETA is delayed to six hours or more beyond the original ETA, a cancellation charge shall be assessed, in addition to all other appropriate charges, if the ETA was not amended at least twelve hours prior to the original ETA.

Tonnage Charges:
0 to 20,000 gross tons:
Additional charge to LOA zone mileage of $0.0082 a gross ton for all gross tonnage up to 20,000 gross tons.

20,000 to 50,000 gross tons:
Additional charge to LOA zone mileage of $0.0846 a gross ton for all gross tonnage in excess of 20,000 gross tons up to 50,000 gross tons.

50,000 gross tons and up:
In excess of 50,000 gross tons, the charge shall be $0.1012 per gross ton.

For vessels where a certificate of international gross tonnage is required, the appropriate international gross tonnage shall apply.

Transportation to Vessels on Puget Sound:
March Point or Anacortes $195.00
Bangor 190.00
Bellingham 225.00
Bremerton 167.50
Cherry Point 260.00
Dupont 120.00
Edmonds 42.50
Everett 72.50
Ferndale 247.50
Manchester 162.50
Mukilteo 65.00

Direct Transit Charge
Sailing Delay Charge. Shall be levied for each hour or fraction thereof that the vessel departure is delayed beyond its scheduled departure from a British Columbia port, provided that no charge will be levied for delays of one hour or less and further provided that the charge shall not exceed a period of 12 hours in any 24 hour period.

Slow Down Charge. Shall be levied for each hour or fraction thereof that a vessel’s arrival at a U.S. or BC port is delayed when a vessel chooses not to maintain its normal safe speed capabilities for reasons determined by the vessel and not the pilot, and when the difference in arrival time is one hour, or greater from the arrival time had the vessel maintained its normal safe speed capabilities.

Cancellation Charge. Shall be levied when a pilot arrives at a vessel for departure from a British Columbia port and the job is canceled. The charge is in addition to the applicable direct transit charge, standby, transportation and expenses.

Transportation Charge Vancouver Area. Vessels departing or arriving at ports in the Vancouver-Victoria-New Westminster Range of British Columbia.

Transportation Charge Outports. Vessels departing or arriving at British Columbia ports other than those in the Vancouver-Victoria-New Westminster Range.

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Training Surcharge:
On January 1, 2011, a surcharge of $15.00 for each pilot trainee then receiving a stipend pursuant to the training program provided in WAC 363-116-078 shall be added to each pilotage assignment.

LOA Rate Schedule:
The following rate schedule is based upon distances furnished by National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, computed to the nearest half-mile and includes retirement fund contributions.

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### WAC 363-116-360 Exempt vessels

(1) Under the authority of RCW 88.16.070, application may be made to the board of pilotage commissioners to seek exemption from the pilotage requirements for the operation of a limited class of small passenger vessels or yachts, which are not more than five hundred gross tons (international), do not exceed two hundred feet in length, and are operated exclusively in the waters of the Puget Sound pilotage district and lower British Columbia. For purposes of this section, any vessel carrying passengers for a fee, including yachts under charter where both the vessel and crew are provided for a fee, shall be considered a passenger vessel.

The owners or operators of the vessel for which exemption is sought must:

(a) Complete and file with the board a petition requesting an exemption at least sixty days prior to planned vessel operations in the Puget Sound pilotage district where possible. Petitions filed with less than sixty days notice may be considered by the chair at the chair's discretion.

(b) The petition requesting exemption shall be on a board-approved form which shall include a description of the vessel, the contemplated use of vessel, the proposed area of operation, the names and addresses of the vessel's owner and operator, the dates of planned operations, and such other information as the board shall require on its petition form.

(c) Pay the appropriate initial application or renewal fee with the submittal of the petition, which is listed in subsection (5) of this section.

(2) All petitions for exemption filed with the board shall be reviewed by the chair, who shall make a recommendation to the board to be considered at its next regularly or specially scheduled meeting. Consistent with the public interest, the chair may grant an interim exemption to a petitioner subject to final approval at the next board meeting, where special time or other conditions exist. Any grant of an interim exemption may contain such conditions as the chair deems necessary to protect the public interest in order to prevent the loss of human life and property and to protect the marine environment of the state of Washington.

Such conditions may include a requirement that the vessel employ the services of a pilot on its initial voyage into Puget Sound waters or that the master of the vessel at all times hold as a minimum, a United States government license as a master of ocean or near coastal steam or motor vessels of not more than sixteen hundred gross tons or as a master of inland steam or motor vessels of not more than five hundred gross tons.
gross tons, such license to include a current radar endorse-
ment.

(3) The recommendation of the chair shall be considered at the next regular or specially scheduled meeting of the board. Interested parties shall receive notice and opportunity for hearing at that time, provided that the party notifies the board at least five days in advance of the meeting of its desire for hearing.

(4) The board shall annually, or at any other time when in the public interest, review any exemptions granted to the specified class of small vessels to ensure that each exempted vessel remains in compliance with the original exemption and any conditions to the exemption. The board shall have the authority to revoke such exemption when there is not continued compliance with the requirements for exemption.

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