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## P & I CLUB CORRESPONDENTS

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Subject: 2021 Sea Pollution Fines Tariff in Turkey **“CIRCULAR TO ALL P&I CLUBS”**  
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Dear Sirs,

As per Communiqué of the Tax Law Procedure (Seq No: 521) arranged by the Ministry of Treasury and Finance, published in the "Official Gazette" dated 28/11/2020 and No: 31318, the Fines as per the rate of revaluation, are increased by 9.11 %, as to the fines applied in 2020.

In view of above the fines will be applied from 01.01.2021 to 31.12.2021 as per following Tariff.

### **THE NEW POLLUTION FINES IN TURKIYE FROM 01/01/2021 TO 31/12/2021**

I- Petrol and Petroleum products discharged to sea by tankers:

- a) For the vessels up to 1000 (inclusive) gross tons; 661.94 TL per gross ton
- b) For the vessels between 1000 and 5000 (inclusive) gross tons; additional 165.49 TL per gross ton over 1000 gross ton to the item a
- c) For the vessels over 5000 gross tons; additional 16.54 TL per gross ton over 5000 gross ton to the item a+b

II- Dirty ballast discharged to sea by tankers:

- a) For the vessels up to 1000 (inclusive) gross tons; 120.60 TL per gross ton
- b) For the vessels between 1000 and 5000 (inclusive) gross tons; additional 24.06 TL per gross ton over 1000 gross ton to the item a
- c) For the vessels over 5000 gross tons; additional 3.82 TL per gross ton over 5000 gross ton to the item a+b

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III- Petrol/Petroleum products and dirty ballast discharged to sea by vessels or any other sea vehicles:

- a)For the vessels up to 1000 (inclusive) gross tons; 330.97 TL per gross ton
- b)For the vessels between 1000 and 5000 (inclusive) gross tons; additional 66.20 TL per gross ton over 1000 gross ton to the item a
- c)For the vessels over 5000 gross tons; additional 16.54 TL per gross ton over 5000 gross ton to the item a+b

IV- Garbage and sewage discharged to sea by vessels and any other sea vehicles:

- a)For the vessels up to 1000 (inclusive) gross tons; 165.49 TL per gross ton
- b)For the vessels between 1000 and 5000 (inclusive) gross tons; additional 33.10 TL per gross ton over 1000 gross ton to the item a
- c)For the vessels over 5000 gross tons; additional 16.54 TL per gross ton over 5000 gross ton to the item a+b

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## P.S.:

As to the above Tariff, when applied to the Vessels/Sea vehicles are belonging any "Corporate" the calculated/established Fine amount will be increased / multiplied 3 (three) times more.

As per the relevant Law, in case of the repetition of the pollution offence by the same ship within 3 (three) years time;

-At the first repetition, the fine amount is increased by one time more,

-At the second and more repetition the fine is increased by two times more

In case of discharge of any dangerous substances or disposals to sea, the fine will be calculated 10 (ten) times as much taking the category of Petrol and Petroleum Products fines as basis.

KINDLY NOTE IF THE FINE IS PAID IMMEDIATELY (IN ANY CASE BEFORE THE VESSEL'S SAILING / WITHIN MAX. (30) DAYS) 25% REDUCTION WILL BE BENEFITTED.

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**Following precautions recommended to be taken by the ship's crew for guidance purpose only and must not limit the precautions to be taken which may vary from vessel to vessel depending size, type, age, etc.**

- 1) All Deck Scuppers to be plugged and secured.
- 2) Accommodation: All drain holes inside the accommodation including galley, pantry, all shower rooms and toilets' drain holes to be closed and also all Gate Valves to be closed. Fresh Water supply to be limited to Designated Shower Rooms with Drainage to Sewage Tank.
- 3) If directly connected to sea then all Public Toilet's Washing Basins sealed, with Chief Officer's signature on sealing tape.
- 4) All Laundry Rooms to be locked.
- 5) Crew meeting and instructions to be recorded.
- 6) All outlets to be checked periodically, to be sure that no discharge found, except cooling outlets for M/E generators etc.
- 7) All outboard valves in Engine Room and Cargo Holds to be shut & sealed, with Numerical Seals, which has to be broken when using those valves. Records for changing of seals to be made available.
- 8) Ship Sanitary Tank Discharge valve to be locked.
- 9) Sewage / sanitary system to be closed. Ship sewage tank discharge valve to be closed and locked.
- 10) All direct overboard outgoing lines to be closed and sealed.
- 11) No cleaning/washing to be made at weather deck.
- 12) No painting to be made on decks etc.
- 13) All garbage was secured.
- 14) Any other issue regarding dropping anything overboard to be checked and to be prevented as applicable.

All above to be recorded in Deck Log Book.

Local agents recommendations (if any) regarding pollution prevention to be assessed and followed as applicable.

Above given without prejudice.

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The Vessels Agents are generally sending Circular/Notice/Warning to the Owners/Masters when they have been nominated as Agents transiting/waiting at anchorage/calling to Turkish Ports especially before the Vessels entering Canakkale Straits (Dardanelles) that the Masters would take steps not to cause any pollution incident.

The Masters of the Vessels would pay utmost attention and take all steps not to cause any pollution by leakage/spillage of any kind of materials (paintings, oil, bilges, any kind of ballast, all kind of residues, garbage, dirty waters, sewage waters, laundry waters with detergent, lavatory soap waters, shower waters, dust, rust etc.)

Submitted for your kind info.

Please contact us if you have any further queries and if you / your members need our assistance, we are always at your disposal.

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Best regards,

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