

**[MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 03, S. 2000,
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**GUIDELINES ON THE PROPER ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF
PORT CHARGES DUE FROM REGISTERED BAY AND RIVER TRADE
VESSELS**

For uniform implementation and in consonance with PPA Memorandum Order No. 20-83, Section 3.5.B, PPA Memorandum Circular No. 07-94, Sections 4 & 9 and PPA MC No. 03-95, Section C-3.4, the following guidelines relative to the proper assessment and collection of port charges are hereby set and clarified:

1. Bay and River Trade Vessels - refers to vessels authorized to engage in business of fishing, towing, carrying merchandise or passengers in the protected water area. The particular port or body of water where the vessel may engage business must be specified in the license (Philippine Merchant Marine Rules and Regulation, Section 1510, item f).
2. Vessels engaged in Bay and River Trade shall be charged Usage Fee everytime they call at the port. Usage fee to be collected should be one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the required dues fee but in no case less than P30.10 or more than P150.40.
3. Vessels engaged in domestic trade that berth or drop anchor shall be charged a port USAGE FEE, as follows:

	GOVERNMENT	PRIVATE
Below 6 GRT	No charge	No charge
6 to 100 GRT per calendar day or fraction	P30.10	P15.05
Over 100 GRT - Per GRT per calendar day or fraction thereof	P0.301	P0.1505

To exemplify:

A) A vessel of 50 GRT engaged in Bay and River Trade called at the port {7:00 AM, 9:20 AM, 100 PM)

A.1 Computation of Usage Fee if berthed at the government port:

	<u>Amount</u>	
1st Call	P 30.10 x 50%	P 15.05
2nd Call	30.10 x 50%	15.05
3rd Call	30.10 x 50%	<u>15.05</u>
Computed Amount		<u>P 45.15</u>

Amount to be Collected**P 45.15**

A.2 Computation of Usage Fee if berthed
at officially registered private port or
anchorage

	<u>Amount</u>	
1st Call	P 15.05 x 50%	P 7.52
2nd Call	15.05 x 50%	P 7.52
3rd Call	15.05 x 50%	<u>P 7.52</u>
Computed Amount		<u>P22.56</u>

Amount to be Collected**P30.10**

B) A vessel of 700 GRT engaged in Bay and River Trade called at the port two (2)
times in one day (8:00 AM; 1:00 PM)

B. Computation of Usage Fee if berthed at the
1 government port:

	Amount	
1st Call in the morning:		
Total GRT	P 700.00	
Rate as of Jan. 2000	x .301	
Total	P 210.70	xP 105.35
	50%	
2nd Call in the afternoon:		
Total GRT	P 700.00	
Applicable Rates	x .301	
Total	P 210.70	xP 105.35
	50%	
Total 1st and 2nd Call	P 421.40	xP 210.70
	50%	

Amount to be collected**P 150.40**

B.2 Computation of Usage Fee if berthed at the officially registered Private
ports:

	Amount	
1st Call		
Total GRT	P 700.00	
Rate (50% of P0.301)	<u>x .1505</u>	
	P 105.35	xP 52.67
	50%	
2nd Call		
Total GRT	P 700.00	
Rate (50% of P0.301)	<u>x .1505</u>	
	P 105.35	x <u>P 52.67</u>
	50%	
Total 1st and 2nd Call		<u>P 105.34</u>
Amount to be collected		<u>P 105.34</u>

4. All non-containenzed domestic cargoes shall be charged WHARFAGE as they enter