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**Subject:** New Fees for Marine Cargo, Port State Control, Prewash and Marine Insurance Certification Services

## *Purpose*

This bulletin is to let you know about new or updated fees for marine cargo, Port State Control (follow up inspections), prewash and marine insurance certificates services. These changes came into force on April 1, 2021.

## *Scope*

This bulletin applies to Canadian and foreign vessel owners and their authorized representatives, their vessel masters or ship’s agents and shippers that request services from one of the Transport Canada programs listed below.

## *Background*

Through Transport Canada’s Fee Modernization initiative, we’re making changes to our fees. This includes updating or creating fees for services, and updating our service standards.

The fees for these services haven’t increased for about 20 years, even though the costs of many other things, including wages and equipment, have grown.

By making these changes, our fees regime will better reflect the actual costs of these services and will make the fee structure simpler for everyone.

**Keywords:**

1. Marine cargo, Port State Control, prewash services
2. Marine insurance certification
3. Modernization of fees

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## ***What you need to know***

As part of the Fee Modernization Initiative at Transport Canada, fees have been introduced and updated through the following Regulations on April 1, 2021:

Marine Cargo and Port State Control (follow up) and Prewash Services: [\*Marine Safety Fees Regulations: SOR/2021-59\*](#) and the [\*Regulations Amending Certain Regulations Made Under the Canada Shipping Act, 2001: SOR/2021-60\*](#).

Marine Insurance Certification Services: [\*Regulations Amending the Marine Liability and Information Return Regulations \(Certain Fees\): SOR/2021-61\*](#) and the [\*Wreck Removal Convention Certificate Fee Regulations: SOR/2021-62\*](#)

The main changes to prewash services, marine cargo and Port State Control (follow-up) inspections include:

- the marine cargo fees are now listed under the *Marine Safety Fees Regulations*
- the Port Wardens Tariff will be repealed and the daily fees will apply for vessel loading concentrates, grain or timber on deck
- fees in Section 116 and 162 of the *Cargo, Fumigation and Tackle Regulations* have been repealed and are now listed under the *Marine Safety Fees Regulations*
- a section has been added in the *Cargo, Fumigation and Tackle Regulations* to align with the *International Maritime Solid Bulk Cargoes Code*, and new fees have been introduced for the approval of procedures of shippers offering cargoes that may liquefy for marine transport
- the Consumer Price Index will only apply once fees are fully phased-in
- new fees have been introduced for vessels required to undergo a prewash operation after unloading a noxious substance (as per the *Vessel Pollution and Dangerous Chemicals Regulations*)
- fees in Section 17.1 of the *Board of Steamship Inspection Scale of Fees* have been repealed and replaced with the fee to rescind a detention order, which is listed in the *Marine Safety Fees Regulations*

For Marine Insurance Certification Services, as of April 1, 2021, it now costs \$98 for a:

- Civil Liability Convention Certificate
- Bunkers Convention Certificate, or
- Wreck Removal Convention Certificate

For more information about Transport Canada's service requests, fees and service standards, please visit the following web pages:

- For Marine Insurance Certification Services:
  - [Get a Marine Insurance Certificate](#)
  
- For Marine Cargo, Port State Control, Prewash Services:
  - [follow up inspection for a foreign vessel](#)
  - [prewash endorsement](#)
  - [marine cargo inspection of a vessel loading concentrates, grain or timber](#)
  - [shipper's procedures to be approved for cargoes that may liquefy](#)
  - [inspection for vessel loading, carrying or unloading dangerous goods](#)

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