

The Highland Council Harbours

Schedule of Rates and Dues

With effect from
1 April 2025

By virtue of the powers contained in the Harbours Act 1964 and the Highland Council (Harbours) Confirmation Act 1991, The Highland Council has, from the above date, revised the dues and charges applied at harbours, piers and jetties under its jurisdiction.

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1. Commercial vessels

Berthage charges for commercial vessels (excludes vessels engaged in fishing.
Note: Wharfage is charged separately.

1.1 For all vessels to or from any port on each occasion

Per gross registered tonne per 24hrs or part thereof: **£0.61**

1.2 For vessels when gross tonnage is not known, or the vessel is under 25 metres in length.

Per metre or part metre length for each port visit not exceeding 24hrs in duration. These rates do not include wharfage:

Vessel length LOA	Charge	Vessel length	Charge
Up to 6m	£56	Up to 16m	£145
Up to 7m	£65	Up to 17m	£156
Up to 8m	£74	Up to 18m	£165
Up to 9m	£81	Up to 19m	£175
Up to 10m	£89	Up to 20m	£181
Up to 11m	£100	Up to 21m	£189
Up to 12m	£107	Up to 22m	£197
Up to 13m	£111	Up to 23m	£204
Up to 14m	£124	Up to 24m	£210
Up to 15m	£130	Up to 25m	£227

1.3 General cargo vessels under 25m

Vessels regularly using the harbour may opt to pay at the annual rate. These rates do not include wharfage:

Vessel Length LOA	Charge	Vessel Length	Charge
Up to 6m	£360	Up to 16m	£963
Up to 7m	£419	Up to 17m	£1,023
Up to 8m	£479	Up to 18m	£1,080
Up to 9m	£515	Up to 19m	£1,141
Up to 10m	£593	Up to 20m	£1,204
Up to 11m	£665	Up to 21m	£1,264
Up to 12m	£720	Up to 22m	£1,321
Up to 13m	£782	Up to 23m	£1,379
Up to 14m	£843	Up to 24m	£1,447
Up to 15m	£902	Up to 25m	£1,504

1.4 Vessels anchoring within a harbour area

Vessels within a harbour area but not using any pier or slip shall be subject to 75% of the above rates.

1.5 Vessels under 25m

Vessels may opt to pay the following composite rates that include wharfage. (Excludes tour boats, charter vessels or ferries)

Vessel Length LOA	Charge	Vessel Length	Charge
Up to 6m	£884	Up to 16m	£3,624
Up to 7m	£1,024	Up to 17m	£4,033
Up to 8m	£1,264	Up to 18m	£4,425
Up to 9m	£1,623	Up to 19m	£4,816
Up to 10m	£1,802	Up to 20m	£5,211
Up to 11m	£2,106	Up to 21m	£5,595
Up to 12m	£2,436	Up to 22m	£5,979
Up to 13m	£2,781	Up to 23m	£6,362
Up to 14m	£2,999	Up to 24m	£6,746
Up to 15m	£3,383	Up to 25m	£7,127

1.6 Tour and charter vessels

Vessel Length LOA	Charge	Vessel Length	Charge
Up to 6m	£1,061	Up to 16m	£4,391
Up to 7m	£1,237	Up to 17m	£4,869
Up to 8m	£1,526	Up to 18m	£5,346
Up to 9m	£1,960	Up to 19m	£5,820
Up to 10m	£2,178	Up to 20m	£6,292
Up to 11m	£2,543	Up to 21m	£6,758
Up to 12m	£2,943	Up to 22m	£7,220
Up to 13m	£3,365	Up to 23m	£7,681
Up to 14m	£3,618	Up to 24m	£8,143
Up to 15m	£4,083	Up to 25m	£8,607

1.7 Cruise liners

Vessel tonnage grt	Charge
Up to 5,000 tonne	£0.69 per tonne
5,000 to 10,000 tonne	£3,360
10,000 to 20,000 tonne	£3,956
20,000 to 30,000 tonne	£4,474
30,000 to 40,000 tonne	£5,035
40,000 to 50,000 tonne	£5,598
50,000 to 60,000 tonne	£6,158
60,000 to 70,000 tonne	£6,676
70,000 to 80,000 tonne	£7,275
80,000 to 90,000 tonne	£7,880
90,000 to 100,000 tonne	£8,483

1.8 Military and other government owned vessels

Vessels shall be charged at the commercial vessel rate per day.

1.9 Seasonal charter work vessels requiring winter berthage

Vessels employed in seasonal charter work and requiring winter berthage shall be charged at:

67% of the composite rate for 6 months + 50% of the annual berthage rate.

1.10 Berthage for vessels over 25 metres

Vessels over 25 metres requiring berthage will be subject to a negotiated rate with harbour management.

1.11 Visiting tour vessels under 25m in length

Vessels not requiring overnight berthage and not already paying berthage at another Highland Council marine facility may opt to pay 15% of the annual composite rate, per annum.

1.12 Short term berthage

Vessels requiring short term berthage only may pay 15% of the annual composite rate per calendar month or part thereof.

1.13 Three month berthage

Vessels requiring berthage for 3 months shall be charged at 40% of the annual composite rate.

1.14 Slipways

For use of slipway for the slipping and recovery of trailer mounted vessels.

Per day: £92

Per Annum (Any facility): £450

2. Vessels engaged in fishing

Harbour group	Harbour
A	Lochinver Kinlochbervie
B	Nairn Gairloch Kyle of Lochalsh and Kyleakin Portree Uig Helmsdale Portmahomack Balintore
C, D and E	Broadford Sconser Raasay

Harbour group	Harbour
	Aultbea Elgol Old Dornie Kylesku John O'Groats Keiss Dunbeath All other social facilities in these groups

2.1 Commercial fishing

All vessels engaged in commercial fishing are required to pay dues to the authority for berthage and wharfage.

Composite charges relate to fish landings only, additional charges for goods and materials either shipped or landed will be payable under wharfage.

Vessels may pay either:

- Single port visit berthage + Wharfage.
- Annual berthage + Wharfage.
- Composite Dues, Single visit
- Composite Dues, Annual (Not available at Lochinver or Kinlochbervie for vessels over 10m L.O.A.)

Dues cover vessels for visits to the class of harbour for which the payment has been made and for lower graded harbours. Visits and landings at higher graded harbours will be levied at the appropriate cost.

All fishing vessels less than 15 tonnes gross are charged VAT at £20% on their Berthing Fees.

2.2 Single port visit berthage

Prices exclude wharfage.

All Lengths L.O.A.	Group A	Group B	Group C, D and E
Up to 10m	£33	£32	£28
10.01 – 20m	£41	£39	£36
20.01 – 30m	£53	£48	£46
30.01m and above	£60	£60	£53

2.3. Annual berthage

Prices exclude wharfage.

All Lengths L.O.A.	Group A	Group B	Group C, D and E
Up to 10m	£143	£143	£89
10.01 – 20m	£195	£186	£124
20.01 – 30m	£247	£230	£177
30.01m and above	£282	£275	£210

2.4. Composite dues - single visit

All Lengths L.O.A.	Group A	Group B	Group C, D and E
Up to 6m	£45	£44	£28
6.01 – 7m	£71	£68	£41
7.01 – 8m	£99	£92	£56
8.01 – 9m	£124	£111	£69
9.01 – 10m	£149	£138	£82
10.01 – 11m	£196	£179	£109
11.01 – 12m	£242	£223	£142
12.01 – 13m	£285	£263	£170
13.01 – 14m	£336	£306	£196
14.01 – 15m	£380	£349	£226
15.01 – 16m	£460	£421	£270
16.01 – 17m	£539	£497	£316
17.01 – 18m	£620	£570	£363
18.01 – 19m	£699	£644	£408
19.01 – 20m	£777	£718	£454
20.01m and above	+ £112/metre or part thereof	+ £108/metre or part thereof	+ £80/metre or part thereof

2.5 Composite dues - 3 months

All Lengths L.O.A.	Group A	Group B	Group C, D and E
Up to 6m	£223	£134	£106
6.01 – 7m	£266	£177	£143
7.01 – 8m	£309	£223	£177
8.01 – 9m	£352	£266	£204
9.01 – 10m	£406	£318	£239
10.01 – 11m	N/A	£435	£328
11.01 – 12m	N/A	£547	£423
12.01 – 13m	N/A	£665	£530
13.01 – 14m	N/A	£777	£600
14.01 – 15m	N/A	£884	£707
15.01 – 16m	N/A	£1,058	£832
16.01 – 17m	N/A	£1,184	£951
17.01 – 18m	N/A	£1,325	£1,094
18.01 – 19m	N/A	£1,465	£1,235
19.01 – 20m	N/A	£1,588	£1,369
20.01m and above	N/A	+ £149/metre or part thereof	+ £149/metre or part thereof

2.6 Composite dues - annual

All Lengths L.O.A.	Group A	Group B	Group C, D and E
Up to 6m	£620	£372	£291
6.01 – 7m	£751	£503	£386
7.01 – 8m	£884	£636	£486
8.01 – 9m	£1,015	£770	£584
9.01 – 10m	£1,149	£901	£680
10.01 – 11m	N/A	£1,229	£938
11.01 – 12m	N/A	£1,555	£1,193

12.01 – 13m	N/A	£1,884	£1,449
13.01 – 14m	N/A	£2,208	£1,706
14.01 – 15m	N/A	£2,535	£1,960
15.01 – 16m	N/A	£2,948	£2,349
16.01 – 17m	N/A	£3,365	£2,738
17.01 – 18m	N/A	£3,780	£3,126
18.01 – 19m	N/A	£4,194	£3,513
19.01 – 20m	N/A	£4,607	£3,901
20.01m and above	N/A	+ £416/metre or part thereof.	+ £416/metre or part thereof.

- Vessels or owners that do not disclose values accurately and within 28 days of the landing will be invoiced at the Composite dues single visit rate
- Vessels requiring a six-month composite due will be charged at 67% of the Annual Composite Rate
- Vessels requiring a six-month berthage due will be charged at 67% of the Annual Berthage Rate

3. Private leisure craft

For all private leisure craft when not carrying goods or passengers for hire or commerce and not fishing for gain.

Summer berths will have deemed to be surrendered at the end of September. The Harbour Authority is not able to guarantee the availability of summer berths for the following year. Allocation of berths is at the discretion of the Harbour Authority.

Summer berthage (1st April – 30th September) will be charged as per table 2, subsequent required months will be charged at 10% of annual fee.

Visiting vessels at anchor within the Harbour Area will be charged at 75% of the appropriate berthage rate.

3.1. Annual Berthage

All prices exclude VAT which is chargeable at 20%.

Vessel Length LOA	Group A and B	Group C
Up to 5m	£352	£259
5.01 to 6m	£517	£289
6.01 to 7m	£641	£307
7.01 to 8m	£772	£341
8.01 to 9m	£1,171	£380
9.01 to 10m	£1,483	£387
10.01 to 11m	£1,706	£562
11.01 to 12m	£1,922	£728
12.01 to 13m	£2,146	£899
13.01 to 14m	£2,364	£1,064
14m and above	£208/m or part thereof	£161/m or part thereof

3.2. Six month charge

(1 April – 30 September or 1 October – 31 March). All prices exclude VAT which is chargeable at 20%

Vessel Length LOA	Group A and B	Group C
Up to 5m	£259	£175
5.01 to 6m	£348	£196
6.01 to 7m	£426	£205
7.01 to 8m	£489	£234
8.01 to 9m	£783	£255
9.01 to 10m	£989	£259
10.01 to 11m	£1,146	£375
11.01 to 12m	£1,294	£487
12.01 to 13m	£1,434	£600
13.01 to 14m	£1,587	£717
14m and above	£143/m or part thereof	£108/m or part thereof

3.3. 3 month cruising visit

Vessel Length LOA	Charge	VAT	Total
Up to 5m	£169.87	£33.97	£203.84
5.01 to 6m	£230.07	£46.01	£276.08
6.01 to 7m	£309.00	£61.80	£370.80
7.01 to 8m	£385.26	£77.05	£462.31
8.01 to 9m	£473.54	£94.71	£568.25
9.01 to 10m	£548.68	£109.74	£658.42
10.01 to 11m	£603.27	£120.65	£723.92
11.01 to 12m	£662.12	£132.42	£794.54
12.01 to 13m	£777.18	£155.44	£932.62
13.01 to 14m	£833.36	£166.67	£1,000.03
14m and above	£58.86/m or part thereof	£11.77/m	£70.63/m

3.4. 1 month cruising visit

Vessel Length LOA	Charge	VAT	Total
Up to 5m	£77.58	£15.52	£93.10
5.01 to 6m	£89.03	£17.81	£106.84
6.01 to 7m	£117.72	£23.54	£141.26
7.01 to 8m	£148.49	£29.90	£178.39
8.01 to 9m	£179.27	£35.85	£215.12
9.01 to 10m	£230.07	£46.01	£276.08
10.01 to 11m	£262.20	£52.44	£314.64
11.01 to 12m	£294.26	£58.85	£353.11
12.01 to 13m	£333.09	£66.62	£399.71
13.01 to 14m	£362.50	£72.50	£435.00
14m and above	£33.43/m or part thereof	£6.69/m	£40.12/m

3.5. 15 day cruising visit

Vessel Length LOA	Charge	VAT	Total
Up to 5m	£46.81	£9.36	£56.17
5.01 to 6m	£58.86	£11.77	£70.63
6.01 to 7m	£73.57	£14.71	£88.28
7.01 to 8m	£86.96	£17.39	£104.35

Vessel Length LOA	Charge	VAT	Total
8.01 to 9m	£99.01	£19.80	£118.81
9.01 to 10m	£121.73	£24.35	£146.08
10.01 to 11m	£141.79	£28.36	£162.05
11.01 to 12m	£156.50	£31.30	£187.80
12.01 to 13m	£169.87	£33.97	£203.84
13.01 to 14m	£184.58	£36.92	£221.50
14m and above	£20.07/m or part thereof	£4.01/m	£24.08/m

3.6. Single visit

Vessel Length LOA	Charge	VAT	Total
Up to 5m	£16.07	£3.21	£19.28
5.01 to 7m	£22.75	£4.55	£27.30
7.01 to 10m	£26.78	£5.36	£32.14
10.01 to 11m	£29.43	£5.89	£35.32
11.01 to 12m	£30.79	£6.16	£36.95
12.01 to 13m	£33.43	£6.69	£40.12
13.01 to 14m	£36.13	£7.23	£41.29
14.01 to 15m	£37.44	£7.49	£44.93
15.01 to 16m	£38.83	£7.78	£46.61
16.01m and above	2.78/m	0.56p/m	£3.34/m

- These rates include free berthage for a second consecutive night at any Highland Council marine facility.
- Cruising tickets are only available for visiting vessels.
- Owners changing vessel's part way through the season will be charged at a pro rata rate for the appropriate periods for each vessel.
- Part refunds will not be given for early departure from the facility.
- Charges will be due for payment at the commencement of the berthing period.

3.7. Short stay

Vessels requiring a short stay visit to a maximum of 4hrs between the hours of 8am to 6pm will be subject to a nominal charge of £8.95 inclusive of VAT, irrespective of length of vessel.

Net	Vat	Gross
£7.46	£1.49	£8.95

3.8. Slipways

Cost for use of slipway for the slipping and recovery of trailer mounted vessels inclusive of Vat.

Duration	Net	Vat	Gross
Per day	£23.63	£4.73	£28.36
Per annum (any facility)	£82.15	£16.43	£98.58

4. Wharfage

Rates for goods shipped, trans-shipped, unshipped or stored within the harbour area, or across a pier, jetty,

Slipway, or sold through a Council Auction Market.

4.1. General goods

Item	Cost per tonne
Miscellaneous packaged	£4.46
Explosives	£121.99

4.2. Liquid and gaseous bulk products

Item	Cost
Petroleum Fuel Oils and Lubricants Gaseous Fuels (including container) Beverages and Spirits Ship to Shore Shore to Ship	£3.26
For bunkers Shore to Ship Ship to Ship (where permitted)	£0.02/litre

4.3. Dry bulk commodities

Item	Cost
Ores, aggregates and crushed stone Cement and building materials Timber (including logs) Salt	£1.93

4.4. General goods containers

Exported or imported from port by sea or rail

Item	Cost per container
12 metre container	£32
6 metre container	£23

4.5. Frozen fish

Item	Cost per tonne
As per packaged goods, consigned or sold at Council Harbour	£32

4.6. Fresh fish and crustacea

Fresh fish (caught or farmed)

Landed and sold at Council Harbours by fishing vessel

Item	Cost per £ value
Demersal and Pelagic	£0.025
Shellfish	£0.025
Salmon (not subject to composite charge)	£0.025
Landed by cargo or carrier vessel	per tonne - £7.40
Farmed Salmon	per tonne - £8.32

Item	Cost per £ value
Smolts (up to 150,000)	per thousand - £4.35
Smolts (150,000 +)	per thousand - £2.09

Consigned from Council Harbour

Item	Cost
For direct sale or to other markets	£0.020

Consigned to a Council Harbour for sale

Item	Cost
From other Council ports	£0.025
From other than Council ports	£0.02

4.7. Provision of ice

Where available and supplied by the Council

Item	Cost
Per tonne	£77
Per ½ tonne	£46
Lochinver Ice per tonne or part thereof	£77

5. Miscellaneous

5.1. Passengers and vehicles embarking or landing at pier

Passenger or vehicle	Cost per person or vehicle
Adult Passenger	£0.84
Child (under 16 years of age)	£0.52
Motor cars	£4.16
Motorcycles	£0.97
Cycles	Free
Caravans	£4.16
Buses and coaches	£14.66
Commercial vehicles (per metre)	£2.32

5.2. Storage

For cargo remaining on pier or in store for a period in excess of 24 hours: **50% of original value of wharfage charged** per 24 hours.

Temporary storage, including boat storage and ground rent for ticket offices etc. on land, within the harbour area will be charged per square metre per calendar month or part thereof.

Area	Cost
Unfenced areas	£2.55
Fenced areas	£3.09
Warehouse storage	£11.10
Warehouse storage for vessels if paid berthing dues for period	£8.69

Note: areas are calculated on a rectangle drawn around items, allowing a minimum 0.5 metre clearance all round.

5.3. Parking

Private car, minibus or caravan

Duration	Cost
Up to 5 hours	£3.09
Over 5 hours, per day	£9.54

Commercial vehicle: up to 4 Tonnes tare

Duration	Cost
Up to 5 hours	£6.22
Over 5 hours, per day	£15.44

Heavy goods and public service vehicles

Duration	Cost
Up to 5 hours	£8.24
Over 5 hours, per day	£20.72

5.4. Vessel and port services

Item	Cost
Fresh water per 1000 litres	£3.37

3-phase power supply to vessel (per day)	Cost
Up to 20m overall length	£10.41
Over 20m up to 30m overall length	£20.72
Over 30m up to 40m overall length	£31.66
Over 40m overall length	£41.51

Single phase power supply to vessel	Cost
Unmetered electricity for visiting vessels	£3.71 per day
Metered electricity per unit	53 pence
Service charge	£7.72 per month

5.5. Mobile crane

Where available. With operative	Net	Vat	Gross
Per hour of part thereof (rounded up to half hour)	£95.89	£19.18	£115.07

5.6. Forklift (where available)

Per hour or part thereof	Net	Vat	Gross
With operative	£67.02	£13.40	£80.42
Outside normal hours	£71.89	£14.38	£86.27

5.7 Forklift operative

Hours	Net	Vat	Gross
Normal hours	£47.52	£9.50	£57.02
Outside normal hours	£52.40	£10.48	£62.88

5.8. Lifting operations

Use of the harbour facility to undertake a lifting operation, not already covered by other charges.

Item	Net	Vat	Gross
Charge per lift	£124.29	£24.86	£149.15

5.9. Banksmen

Time	Cost per hour
8.00 – 17.00, Monday to Friday	£45
All other hours, including Bank Holidays	£48

5.10. Rope runners (by request)

Time	Cost per hour
8.00 – 17.00, Monday to Friday	£45
All other hours, including Bank Holidays	£48

5.11. Authorised persons

Diving operations	Cost per hour
Outside normal working hours, at discretion of Harbour Authority	£48

5.12. Containers

Shipping container provided by the Highland Council, for storage	Cost per annum
20ft	£731
40ft	£1,391

5.13. Fuel keys

Fuel key	Net	Vat	Gross
Replacement for lost or damaged key	£30.50	£6.10	£36.60

5.14. Mooring licences

For privately owned pontoons moored within harbour areas

Length	Cost per annum
Per first 10 metres or part thereof	£204
For every additional 10 metres or part thereof	£26

5.15. Mooring licences

For fish farm cages

Item	Cost per annum
Per individual array Stocked	£8,426
Per individual array Fallow	£4,915

5.16. Boat lift charges

Lochinver

Item	Net	Vat	Gross
Per lift in or out of the water, per metre (LOA) or part thereof	£23.15	£4.63	£27.78
Pressure washing, per metre (LOA) or part thereof	£14.63	£2.93	£17.56
Boat cradle hire (4 Leg), per calendar month or part thereof	£32.90	£6.58	£39.48
Boat cradle hire (6 Leg), per calendar month or part thereof	£45.09	£9.02	£54.11
Boat cradle hire (8 Leg), per calendar month or part thereof	£54.83	£10.97	£65.80
Boat stand hire, (per stand) per calendar month or part thereof	£13.41	£2.68	£16.09
Bow stand hire, (per stand) per calendar month or part thereof	£19.50	£3.90	£23.40
Keel block hire, (per block) per calendar month or part thereof	£1.31	£0.26	£1.57

The boat lift can be available at other harbours subject to availability and additional transport charges.

6. Notes on wharfage

1. Goods of all description rated by weight will be charged according to gross weight including the weight of container and packaging. Fractional parts of any weight will be rounded up to the nearest half-tonne and will be charged accordingly.

2. All empty boxes, sacks and packages if previously landed or shipped shall be exempt from dues provided that the consignee removes such debris from the harbour area when so directed.

3. All goods landed or discharged at the harbour and not particularly specified in this schedule will be liable to the rates applicable to such goods as, in the determination of the Council, will be nearest in description and value to such unspecified goods.

4. The rates for all types of fish including shellfish, etc., brought into the harbour (including auction market) whether by land or sea, shall be levied on and recovered from the boat owners, or the fish salesman, or auctioneers who dispose of such fish, or from the person purchasing or receiving delivery of same who will respectively be entitled to deduct the amount of such dues from the price at which such fish were sold or purchased. Vessel owners, fish salesman, auctioneers, hauliers and purchasers or receivers of fish are required to furnish to the Council a true account under their hands of such quantities, source species, grade and value of fish and to verify the same. Should such information be refused, or a false statement/account be given this would constitute an offence.

5. Chandlery and supplies taken on board vessels for consumption shall, at the discretion of the Harbour Authority generally be exempt from goods dues.

6. Vessels consigning fish landings from a Council Group B or Group C Harbour, pier etc., for sale through the auction market at Kinlochbervie, shall, where they have already paid dues in respect of fish landings to the Council, be subject to further dues at the rate of 0.5 pence per £ of value on the sale value of such fish.

7. At the discretion of the Harbour Authority, vessels consigning fish landed at a Council Harbour, for sale through another auction or in a remote location, shall be permitted to offset the cost of transport to that place, and only that expense, from the sale price in establishing value for the calculation of dues. This is subject to the provision of

authenticated copies of actual transport costs (invoice or audited record) that will be considered by the Harbour Authority.

8. The Harbour Authority reserves the right to determine how the offset is applied, either lump sum or an appropriate sum on either a box or per kilogram basis. The level of all such concessions will be determined by negotiation with the vessel owners.

9. Any vessel trans-shipping goods within the confines of a Council Harbour and not using the quays or other shore-based facility for such purpose shall be charged at 50% of the standard harbour dues (i.e. not composite rates).

10. The scale of charges for goods container movements apply to sea/road; sea/rail; rail/road movements. Incoming rail and road are treated the same as a maritime export and outgoing (landward) road/rail movements as a maritime import.

11. Where the goods container moves to/from rail from/to ship wharfage will only be charged once and at the appropriate maritime rate.

7. Notes on berthage

1. The master of any vessel coming within the pier or harbour area will report his vessel's presence, size, length of stay, purpose and any goods or catch to be landed or loaded along with notification of a permanent address of the vessel owner(s) and, if different, the address to which all dues incurred may be invoiced, to the Harbourmaster as soon as is practical and no later than within 24 hours of arrival and comply with any berthing or anchoring directions given by the Harbour Master.

2. At unmanned harbours, piers and jetties the master will provide the above information in writing to the Harbour Authority:

Highland Harbours Headquarters
Lochinver Harbour
Lochinver
Sutherland
IV27 4LE
Phone : 01349 781612
Email : harbours@highland.gov.uk

3. If the master of any vessel attempts to evade the payment of any charges that he may owe in respect of harbour dues including berthage, wharfage and other miscellaneous costs, he shall become liable to pay 3 times the amount, which would have otherwise been due, plus any further expense incurred by the Council to obtain settlement.

4. Annual berthage fees are for the full year period 1st April to the following 31st March. "Where an annual berth or service is provided out with the start of the normal financial year the customer may be billed pro rata of the annual rate up until the end of the current financial year. This only applies to customers requiring a continuous and on-going annual berth or service.

5. Dues cover vessels for visits to the class of harbour for which the payment has been made and for lower graded harbours. Visits and landings at higher graded harbours will be levied at the appropriate cost.

6. Vessels paying separately for berthage and wharfage, who do not declare the wharfage, will be charged at the composite rate.

7. At the discretion of the Harbour Authority a berthing charge may be waived for vessels berthing for the sole purpose of taking on fuel oil or ice from Council facilities, and where the duration of stay does not exceed that necessary to achieve this objective.

8. At the discretion of the Harbour Authority a 25% discount may be applied to annual berthing and annual composite charges (not lesser periods) where a vessel utilises a mooring away from the pier for overnight and general berthing. Such vessels will be permitted to use the pier for landing, fuelling, maintenance and other purposes at the discretion and at the direction of the Harbour Master.

9. Any vessel anchoring within the confines of a Council Harbour and not using the quays or other store-based facility shall be charged dues at 75% of the standard harbour dues.

10. The term "regularly landing" means a minimum of 6 landings per quarter year and "catch of fish" is the major proportion of the vessels catch (both by weight and value) on the trip-preceding landing.

11. For vessels sailing from any harbour and put back by adverse weather without having accomplished its voyage, no additional rates shall be charged on such return.

12. Vessels paying an annual berthage charge, at the discretion of the Harbour Master may without additional charge store their boat ashore on Harbours land. Such storage is dependent upon suitable land being available.

13. Vessels requiring berthage for up to 6 months will be charged at 67% of the annual rate or as specified in the schedule of dues.

14. For the purposes of these dues, LOA is defined as the maximum length of the vessel including all appendages.

15. The berthage charges described in this schedule do not include berthage, wharfage or mooring at the following privately owned facilities located within Highland Council Harbour Areas:

- Plockton
- Portree
- Sheildaig
- Kyle of Lochalsh
- Sconser
- Eigg
- Muck

Separate charges for berthing, wharfage and mooring at these facilities will be applied by their respective owners or operators.

8. Notes on miscellaneous

1. Upon payment of a berthage or composite fee for any vessel the crew of that vessel will, at the discretion of Harbourmaster, be permitted to park their vehicle within a designated area without incurring any further charge for parking providing parking space is available. Other harbour users may park for reasonable periods to load or offload. However, the Harbour Master may, at his discretion, levy charges where appropriate.

2. Vessels regularly using the Council's piers for landing fish will, at the discretion of the Harbour Master, be permitted to keep creels and nets and other gear within an area of open ground designated for this purpose. Such gear shall be marked as to ownership and where the area occupied is no greater than $4M^2$ plus $\frac{1}{3}$ of vessel overall length in metres (as M^2) this shall be without incurring storage dues. Unmarked gear or other items and any ground occupied above the allowance above or out with the designated area shall be charged in accordance with this schedule.

3. Vessels regularly landing fish shall not be charged water taken on as general supplies.

9. General notes

1. The Council may, at its discretion, apply a discount on berthage rates for commercial ferry operations and regular cargo service providers conditional upon all other dues, including wharfage, passenger and vehicle dues, being freely offered and paid by the operator.

2. The Council may, at its discretion, negotiate berthage rates, passenger and vehicle dues for commercial ferry operations.

3. The Council may, at its discretion, apply a discount on berthage rates for regular cargo service providers conditional on all other dues, including wharfage, being freely offered and paid by the operator.

4. All composite fee rates, whether listed in this Schedule or negotiated by private agreement, are payable in advance or by direct debit where so permitted.

5. All annual fee rates, irrespective of when commenced; between 1st April in one year and 31st March in the following year expire on 31st March of that period.

6. The six-month composite fee rates for registered fishing boats at Group A (vessels under 10m), B and C ports are available for any consecutive six-month period within the year from 1st April to 31st March.

7. Any extension to either the six-month or calendar month periods will be paid at the calendar month composite fee rate equal to 10% the annual rate for each additional month or part thereof.

8. Except where specifically noted the harbour dues listed in this schedule are exclusive of V.A.T., which will be added, as appropriate. VAT is chargeable for:

- all private and commercial leisure craft
- all fishing vessels less than 15 tonnes gross

9. Where these dues do not cover a specific item of trade separate rates may be negotiated with the Harbour Management.

10. The Highland Council reserves the right to change any charge without notice.

11. For all crane hire a ½ hour will be added to the start time to allow for rigging and safety inspections to be carried out by the operator. The minimum charge for crane or forklift hire is 1 hour.

12. Berthage rates include a 2% charge for the provision of general waste disposal facilities at each Harbour, special provisions for waste disposal will be charged according to cost.

13. Debtors requesting an alteration in the method of charging or notifying changes in circumstances that leads to a reduction in the charge after an invoice has already been issued will be charged an administration fee calculated at 10% of the original invoice value. This charge is subject to the discretion of the Harbour Authority.

14. Unless otherwise arranged, dues will be payable at the commencement of the berthing period.