

PORT CIRCULAR NO. 3 OF 2018

To: All Port Operators
From: Captain of the Port
CC: GMA
Date: 23 January 2018
Re: MARPOL ANNEX V

Dear All,

On 1 February 2018 the Gibraltar Port Authority will complete the introduction of the new Marpol tariff scheme by commencing its application to Annex V waste i.e. garbage.

Regulation 4 (3) of the Merchant Shipping (Port Waste Reception Facilities) 2003, as amended allows the Gibraltar Port Authority, for the purposes of ensuring the availability of adequate waste reception facilities, the power to join with any other person in providing them. The GPA has therefore contracted Green Ports (Gibraltar) Ltd to carry out the management and administration of port reception facilities for ship generated waste.

Green Ports (Gibraltar) Ltd have subsequently engaged Rock Maritime Services Ltd to provide garbage waste reception for all vessels falling within the scope of the application of the Marpol tariff scheme.

All vessels under the Marpol Tariff Scheme must discharge waste if required to do so under the direction of Green Ports (Gibraltar) Ltd as per Regulation 4 (3) of the Merchant Shipping (Port Waste Reception Facilities) 2003.

All vessels calling and operating at the Port of Gibraltar are required to comply with the requirements of the Merchant Shipping (Port Waste Reception Facilities) 2003, as amended. The regulation does not apply to:

- a) war ships;
- b) naval auxiliaries; and
- c) ships owned or operated by a State and used, for the time being, only on government non-commercial service.

Port Operators who are in possession of a valid port waste operator licence will be allowed to continue to collect waste from vessels who fall outside the scope of the Marpol tariff scheme.

In accordance with regulation 14 (2) Merchant Shipping (Port Waste Reception Facilities) 2003, as amended - *Charges for ship-generated waste*, the following types and classes of vessels have being exempted from the new Marpol tariff scheme:

- Yachts and superyachts;
- Cruise Liners;
- Ferries;
- Harbour craft (subject to application).

Harbour craft licence holders who are engaged in international voyages will have to apply for exemption to the Gibraltar Port Authority in writing and provide proof of their waste management arrangements on an annual basis including any contracts of waste disposal services.

The Annex V price structure is attached for your information.

BY ORDER OF THE CAPTAIN OF THE PORT