

Conservancy & River Charges 2025



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Conservancy Charges

Rates as from 01 April 2025

(On inward voyage only – except Sunk Dredged Surcharge)

On vessels entering the Humber Estuary other than those covered by exemptions set out below.

For every vessel passing to	Per net tonne per voyage
Grimsby	£0.1068
Immingham	£0.1689
Killingholme	£0.2129
Kingston Upon Hull or New Holland	£0.2748
Above Kingston Upon Hull	£0.3635

Surcharges

The following additional surcharges are payable	Per net tonne per voyage
Vessels exceeding 12,000NT	£0.0894
Vessels entering River Trent	£0.2463
	Per cargo tonne*
Vessels exceeding 35 ft. draught and using the Sunk Dredged Channel	£0.1188

In circumstances where a vessel enters the Humber to load and/or discharge and, in the event it fails to do so prior to departure, will be charged at the above rate on the NT of the vessel.

*Applies to all tonnage loaded and/or discharged.

EXEMPTIONS from payment of shipping duties:

1. Fishing vessels which cannot be propelled by steam or other mechanical power.
2. River craft used only for the purpose of conveying goods between places within Kingston Upon Hull or within Grimsby, respectively, or used only for the purpose of ballasting vessels.
3. River craft having undecked holds and not fitted with hatches or otherwise equipped to be suitable for navigating the river northward of Keadby.
4. Fishing vessels or river craft registered under the provisions of the Humber Conservancy Act 1907.
5. Vessels entering the river only:
 - a) For orders
 - b) For the purpose of filling bunkers or taking in provisions or water, or
 - c) On account of stress of weather
And not breaking bulk or taking cargo or landing or disembarking passengers, and
6. Vessels less than five net tonnes

Basis of charge*

*Apart from surcharges, based on cargo tonnages, for vessel using the Sunk Dredged Channel.

The basis of charge for dues shall be the Net Tonnage (NT) as calculated under the provisions of the International Tonnage Convention (1969).

ABP reserves the right to add a surcharge to the dues payable, or to impose an assessment of net tonnage for the payment of such dues for any vessel which has not been measured in accordance with the above convention.

Conservancy registration dues (annual charges)	NT Group (NT)	Per vessel per annum
For every FISHING VESSEL registered to pass GRIMSBY	5-50	£20.26
	51-100	£40.68
	101-150	£60.92
	151-500	£108.83
	501 & over	£189.84
For every FISHING VESSEL registered to pass KINGSTON UPON HULL	5-100	£60.80
	101-500	£217.43
	501 & over	£378.15
For every TUG, FERRYBOAT, or other RIVER CRAFT capable of being propelled by steam or other mechanical power		£115.98
For every KEEL, LIGHTER, BARGE, or other RIVER CRAFT not capable of being propelled by steam or other mechanical power		£58.01

Charges for charts, NtM, etc

River Trent chart Burton Sather to Keadby 1/1000 scale	£19.26
River Ouse chart Blacktoft to Goole 1/1000 scale	£19.26
Bi-monthly chart (upper)* Barton Haven to Burton Stather 1/25000 scale This chart is updated every two months with latest Float moves and channel changes – very relevant to small craft users.	£19.26
Published chart (lower) Spurn to Barton Haven 1/25000 scale Produced every year	£30.18
Tide tables	£5.50
Issue of Notice to Mariners	£433.60 plus VAT
Byelaws	£5.50
Pilot handbook	£35.87

All above charges are **EXCLUSIVE** of postage and packing

Telephone: 01482 608446 or email heshydrography@abports.co.uk for latest chart details.

*Normally revised on the first of February, April, June, August, October and December.

Charges for services of conservancy craft and hydrographic surveyors

Charges for conservancy craft and hydrographic surveyors will be available on request.

Charges for hire of GPS equipment

Hire of one GPS Receiver and VHF Differential System, £159.35 per day

Charges for hire of Tide Gauge Receiver

Hire of Tide Gauge Receiver, £80.70 per day

Hire of computer and software to run Tide Gauge System, £18.11 per day.

Charges for use of Duty Pilot Launches

Location from and to	No Pilot/Pilot	Cost
Grimsby to Bull/Hawke Anchorage	No Pilot	£399.69
Grimsby to Bull/Hawke Anchorage	With Pilot	£240.10
Grimsby to AW2	No Pilot	£399.69
Grimsby to AW2	With Pilot	£240.10
Grimsby to Deep Water Boarding/Landing	No Pilot	£919.44
Grimsby to Deep Water Boarding/Landing	With Pilot	£577.48
Grimsby to Pilot Boarding 1, 2, 3	No Pilot	£615.48
Grimsby to Pilot Boarding 1, 2, 3	With Pilot	£512.16
Spurn to Bull/Hawke Anchorage	Standard	£341.95
Spurn to Deep Water Boarding/Landing	No Pilot	£806.98
Spurn to Deep Water Boarding/Landing	With Pilot	£463.51
Spurn to Pilot Boarding 1, 2, 3	No Pilot	£519.74
Spurn to Pilot Boarding 1, 2, 3	With Pilot	£389.57

Contract hire charges for pilot launches.

All pilot launches meet the requirements of the 'Work Boat code'. The launch crews are issued with Boatmaster Class 3/RYA Yacht Masters and Engineers Certificates. The above legal requirements allow the launches to operate up to 20 miles from a safe haven (not necessarily Spurn Point).

The following are examples of hire charges.

1. An ad-hoc short notice request for a launch complete with two-man crew, **£1,653.31** for up to 12 hours
2. As above but with a three-man crew, a launch cost **£1,660.07** for up to 12 hours (reasonable notice required)
3. Longer term contract, say five days with a three-man crew would cost **£7,404.97** (each day being up to 12 hours)
4. Longer term contracts would need to be the subject of further negotiations and would result in significant savings on the above costs.

Parking rigs on the Humber charges

Terms and conditions

For the siting of a jack up drilling rig in the Humber for the purpose of carrying out repairs and maintenance.

The following facilities are offered:

- Either** (a) a jack up site at the eastern or western end of the Hawke Anchorage. The precise siting of the jack up will be notified to you at the time of the impending arrival of the rig in the Humber.
- Or** (b) a jack up site in one of the lettered anchorages at Whitebooth Roads.

There are occasions when other areas in the Humber may be used, subject to agreement prior to arrival of the rig.

While in the above positions, the owners of the rig may undertake any repairs or maintenance work they deem to be necessary providing that all proper safety standards and precautions are observed and that the carrying out of the work does not interfere with the normal practices of navigation within the Humber.

The rig must be properly marked and lighted in accordance with the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea.

The provisions of the Humber Navigation Byelaws 1990, as well as all other relevant legislation must be fully observed by those in command of the rig. Attention is drawn to Standing Notices to Mariners SH7 and SH6.

When not jacked up and underway in the Humber the rig shall be under continuous tow by an adequate number of tugs as directed by the Harbour Master and shall be piloted by sufficient Humber Pilots.

Before jacking up in any position, those in control of the rig shall ensure that the ground conditions at the jack up point are suitable to carry the rig.

The owners of the rig will pay to ABP the sum of **£13,315.44 per month** or part thereof in harbour rental for the first month during which the rig remains in the Humber harbour limits and thereafter **£7,989.49 per month**. The first payment will be inclusive of normal conservancy dues for both the rig and for her towing tugs. Rental dues are to be paid within 30 days of receipt of invoice.

In all circumstances ABP or any subsidiary or associated company accept no responsibility for any consequences resulting from the parking of this rig in the Humber, except for its legal obligations under British law.

Other charges by HES

Hull & Goole Port Health Authority – VTS Information, **£306.57** + VAT

Department of Transport – VTS Information, **£143.23** + VAT per month

Period after charge becomes due.

Percentage increases

1. Payment after one month but not exceeding two months, 5%
2. Payment after two months but not exceeding three months 10%
3. Payment after three months but not exceeding four months 15%
4. Payment after four months but not exceeding five months 20%
5. Payment after five months 30%

This list cancels the previous list of charges made for the Humber Pilotage area, payable in respect of services used on or after 1 January 2024.

