



PONCE PORT AUTHORITY

GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO

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Service personnel who work in the Port area of Ponce

Notice: Notification of Change in Bill Collection for berths in Military Vessels

Greetings all,

Warm regards from the Interim Executive Director of the Ponce Port Authority.

This notice serves to inform you of a change to the docking billing policy for vessels classified as combat, investigative, or training vessels, including auxiliary vessels of the United States of America or any other nation, as well as vessels of the Government of Puerto Rico and its instrumentalities.

Vessels docking for two (2) days or more, the docking fee will continue to be assessed on a regular basis after the first twenty-four (24) hours of the vessel's arrival. However, vessels that dock at the Port for twenty-four (24) hours or less, will be charged the applicable docking fee on a regular basis.

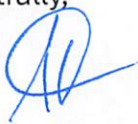
This change is adopted pursuant to the legal authority conferred upon the Ponce Port Authority as a public corporation of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, created under Act No. 240 of December 12, 2011, as amended.

Pursuant to said Act, all functions, objectives, duties, and powers of the Port of the Americas Authority were transferred and delegated to the Ponce Port Authority. In particular, the Act granted the Ponce Port Authority full authority to establish public policy regarding the development and operations of the Port of the Americas Rafael Cordero Santiago (Port of Ponce) in Puerto Rico, providing that said facilities shall be under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Ponce Port Authority. Likewise, the Ponce Port Authority Act grants the Authority the power to establish tariffs and charges related to the use of the facilities and the services offered at the Port of Ponce. Article 2(P) (23 LPRA, Section 541) defines a "tariff" as any right, charge, or fee for services or use of the facilities, established by the Ponce Port Authority or the operator of said port, subject to prior approval by the Authority's Board of Directors.

By virtue of these legal provisions, the Port of Ponce Authority has the express power to establish, amend and implement the berthing rates applicable to vessels that use the port's facilities.

Should you have any questions or require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us at app@ppa.pr.gov or via phone call to (787) 848-4955.

Respectfully,



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