

The Port has developed a set of rules to ensure all port users make efficient use of the available resources in the port.

Failure to comply with the rules may result in POPL exercising its discretion to give priority to vessels which can comply. Vessels operating slowly can be directed to return to anchorage until a better loading performance can be achieved and/or there are no vessels competing for a productive berth.

## **Cargo activity at productive berths**

If cargo handling is interrupted or delayed for more than 4 hours, the vessel will be required to move to a non-productive berth, or return to anchorage, if another vessel is waiting to access that berth. Delays arising from weather conditions will be exempt provided all reasonable attempts have been made to maximise cargo handling during available hours.

### **a) Berth protocol for return to a productive berth**

Any vessel that has been moved under the above circumstances will have priority to return to the next available berth once it is agreed that the vessel is ready to continue cargo handling.

### **b) Costs of moves**

The cost of moves will be borne by the vessel being moved. Vessels required to move to perform fumigation will be charged a 'Fumigation shift' rate. Vessels requesting a move, or being moved for reasons other than fumigation, will be charged an 'In harbour shift' rate. Refer to the Port Charges for current details.

### **c) Berth hire while waiting to return to a productive berth**

If a vessel is moved to a non-productive berth, berth hire will be charged at scheduled rates.

In the instance of log vessels that have been moved for fumigation, berth hire at the non-productive berth will be waived after being declared gas free or after completion of successful test packs.

### **d) Fumigation vessels**

Vessels failing test packs after return to a productive berth will be returned to a non-productive berth for fumigation, or to the anchorage and then to a non-productive berth for fumigation, at their own cost.

Fumigation will not take place at a berth if a vessel is waiting for that berth. The Vessel due to be fumigated may be required to shift to an alternate berth. If due to draft or an alternative berth is unavailable, the vessel will be removed to the anchorage until a berth is available for fumigation purposes.