

# **BARGE TRANSPORTS TO/FROM ROTTERDAM AND ANTWERP: CONGESTION SURCHARGE UPDATE**

## **CUSTOMER ADVISORY**

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We like to refer to our previous advisory dated 7<sup>th</sup> July on same subject and give you an update on the congestion surcharge applied on barge transports to/from Rotterdam and Antwerp.

Due to the fact that the surcharges are varying on liner services and capacities deployed, the charges have been split according to countries and/or dryports (inland barge terminal) as follows with effect from 10<sup>th</sup> July 2017:

<b>Country / Dry port location:</b>	<b>Congestion surcharge</b>
The Netherlands:	EUR 15,00 / container
Belgium:	EUR 5,00 / TEU
Germany:	EUR 19,50 / container
France Rhine River terminal:	Strasbourg: EUR 25,00 / container Others: EUR 10,00 / TEU
Intra-port Services in Antwerp and Rotterdam:	EUR 7,00 / TEU

TCS (Traffic Congestion Surcharge) is to be used.

Furthermore, the barge operators also reserve the right, subject to excessive disruption/delays of the services, according article 412 and 419 of the German Commercial code (HGB) and in conjunction of the German Inland Waterways Act, to discharge containers at other terminals than the ones ordered by the cargo interests.

In such cases, the shunting of the containers from the alternative terminal to the nominated terminal will be for account and responsibility of the cargo interests, not the barge operators. In this scenario, the congestion surcharge will no longer be applied however as stated before, the shunting cost will be for account of the cargo interests.

The congestion surcharge is not connected to an eventual Low Water surcharge that will be communicated by separate mails.

We apologize for any inconvenience caused by the delay of this advisory.

For further information, please contact your local MSC office.