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## NEWS ALERT: TURKEY POLLUTION FINES 2021

Ingosstrakh's Turkish P&I Correspondent Messrs. Kalimbassieris Maritime A.S. reports on recent amendments in pollution fines rates as announced by The Ministry of Treasury and Finance on 28th Nov 2020. The Ministry of Environment and Urbanization increased the administrative pollution fines rates by 9.11% in comparison to the previous rates with effect from the 1st of January 2021. It is assumed that such increases were made with the scope to maintain the deterrence of fines in line with the inflation rate and subsequent devaluation of Turkish currency (fines are expressed in Turkish Lira).

**A- ARTICLE 20 (i) (1) Petroleum and petroleum products including but not limited to crude oil, liquid fuel, greasy waste, oily mud, slop, sludge.**

GROSS TONNAGE	Until 31.12.20	New Rates valid from 01.01.2021
Up to 1000 (inclusive) GT	TRY 606,67 per GT (Base)	TRY 661,94 per GT (Base)
1001-5000 (inclusive) GT	TRY 151,67 per GT (Additional)	TRY 165,49 per GT (Additional)
5001 and up	TRY 15,16 per GT (Additional)	TRY 16,54 per GT (Additional)

**B- ARTICLE 20 (i) (2) Dirty ballast discharged by tankers**

GROSS TONNAGE	Until 31.12.20	New Rates valid from 01.01.2021
Up to 1000 (inclusive) GT	TRY 110,53 per GT (Base)	TRY 120,60 per GT (Base)
1001-5000 (inclusive) GT	TRY 22,05 per GT (Additional)	TRY 24,06 per GT (Additional)
5001 and up	TRY 3,51 per GT (Additional)	TRY 3,82 per GT (Additional)

**C- ARTICLE 20 (i) (3) Vessels / other sea vehicles releasing dirty ballast and petroleum products**

GROSS TONNAGE	Until 31.12.20	New Rates valid from 01.01.2021
Up to 1000 (inclusive) GT	TRY 303,34 per GT (Base)	TRY 330,97 per GT (Base)
1001-5000 (inclusive) GT	TRY 60,67 per GT (Additional)	TRY 66,20 per GT (Additional)
5001 and up	TRY 15,16 per GT (Additional)	TRY 16,54 per GT (Additional)

**D- Vessels and other sea vehicles dumping/releasing garbage/wastewater/sewage**

GROSS TONNAGE	Until 31.12.20	New Rates valid from 01.01.2021
Up to 1000 (inclusive) GT	TRY 151,67 per GT (Base)	TRY 165,49 per GT (Base)
1001-5000 (inclusive) GT	TRY 30,34 per GT (Additional)	TRY 33,10 per GT (Additional)
5001 and up	TRY 15,16 per GT (Additional)	TRY 16,54 per GT (Additional)

\*According to the provisions (Article 23) of the law in force, the repetition of the same act by the same vessel within the next three years after the service date of the first fine will result in doubling the fine amount for the next pollution event and tripling for the following ones.

\*\*If any hazardous waste or similar nature or of its substance is released / dumped to the sea, the fine to be imposed is 10 (ten) times of the announced tariffs under the category of "A" above.

\*\*\*If the pollutant takes part on the cleaning processes, only 1/3 of the total amount of fine becomes payable.

\*\*\*\*Payment of the fine within 30 days from the issuance date provides an advantage of 25% discount over the total amount.

\*\*\*\*\* The above rates are tripled if the fine is issued for institutions, organizations and businesses.