These are the 2 pages of our MX VTS USER Manual which changed 1 Nov 2026.

Vessel Traffic Service Los Angeles and Long Beach – USER FEES

Effective 1 November 2026, and as mandated by State Law and specified in Port of Long Beach Tariff #4, and Port of Los Angeles Tariff #4, arriving vessels shall be assessed a "VTS User Fee" as stipulated below:

POWER-DRIVEN VESSELS 40 METERS (APPROXIMATELY 131 FEET) AND OVER:

OVER	BUT NOT OVER	11/01/2026	10/01/2027	10/01/2028
0	40	$0	$0	$0
40	150	$311	$344	$358
150	190	$364	$379	$394
190	230	$424	$441	$459
230	270	$494	$514	$534
270	310	$556	$579	$602
310	335	$625	$650	$676
335	360	$702	$730	$759
360	-	$780	$811	$844

***(*)* In addition to the above LOA VTS User Fees, each arriving covered vessel will be assessed the following fees per gross registered ton (GRT) as recorded by Lloyd's.**

11/01/2026	10/01/2027	10/01/2028
$0.0045	$0.0047	$0.0048

(**) *NOTE: User Companies (or their Agents) may be invoiced as follows:*

(GROUP ONE BILLING): A monthly invoice covering all vessels arriving for the same liner company for that period; or

(GROUP TWO BILLING): Each ship billed individually upon arrival.

Please contact the Marine Exchange with your billing requirements and instructions for mailing or e-mailing (where, and to whose attention).

"INNOCENT PASSAGE" –

Any "Covered Vessel" that passes through the VTS "Area of Responsibility" (which extends along a 25-mile radius from Pt. Fermin), and that does not make an official arrival at either the Port of Los Angeles or the Port of Long Beach (for the purpose of occupying a berth or an anchorage), shall be considered to have made an "Innocent Passage", and **shall NOT be subject to any VTS User Fees.**

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TUGS WITH COMMERCIAL TOWS –

Every arriving power-driven vessel eight (8) meters (approximately 26 feet) or longer that is towing astern, alongside, or pushing ahead another vessel (or vessels) **shall be assessed a "VTS User Fee" of $250).** There is no fee for the towed vessel(s).

PASSENGER FERRIES *(**)* AND OTHER COMMERCIAL VESSELS ENGAGED IN TRADE BETWEEN POLA/POLB AND SANTA CATALINA ISLAND AND THE CHANNEL ISLANDS:

During the months of June, July, and August, **such vessels shall be assessed a monthly "VTS User Fee" of $411**. For the rest of the year, **the rate will be $203 per month** per vessel in operation – regardless of the number of trips made.

(**) *NOTE "Covered Vessels" in this category include all vessels certified to carry 50 or more passengers for hire (regardless of LOA or gross tonnage); and any vessel 100 gross tons and over, carrying one (1) or more passengers for hire. For each vessel in operation – regardless of the number of trips made.*

TUGS WITH COMMERCIAL TOWS, DREDGES, DERRICK BARGES, AND OTHER VESSELS ENGAGED IN "PORT CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS" (AS OUTLINED IN POLA/POLA TARIFFS #4):

Such vessels shall be assessed a monthly "VTS User Fee" of $411 (for each vessel in operation – regardless of the number of trips made in and out of the harbor). Provided, however, that if such a vessel makes only **ONE trip** in any given month, then that vessel shall be assessed the **basic $250 "VTS User Fee"** for a standard "Tug with a commercial tow."

COMMERCIAL ASSIST VESSELS (8M OR LONGER) AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE VESSELS:

All such vessels **shall be assessed a monthly "VTS User Fee" of $36** for each vessel engaged in such service.

"WHALE WATCHING" AND COMMERCIAL SPORT FISHING VESSELS:

Any vessel certified to carry 50 or more passengers and dedicated to "whale watching" and/or commercial sport fishing, **shall be assessed a monthly "VTS User Fee" of $68** for each vessel engaged in such service.

SUPPORT SERVICES:

Every arriving power-driven vessel 40 meters or longer engaged in support services within the LA/LB Captain of the Port Zone, to include Echo Pal, **shall be assessed a monthly VTS User Fee of $250** for each vessel engaged in such trade.

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