
SHIP-GENERATED WASTE IN THE PORTS OF ROTTERDAM-RIJNSMOND





In the ports of Rotterdam-Rijnmond, seagoing vessels can deliver all types of waste to collection companies (port reception facilities). Make sure to always arrange the delivery of your waste via the shipping agent to prevent potential problems during collection.

The collection companies will collect ship-generated waste with mobile collection facilities (vessels or vehicles) or with permanent facilities (containers or storage tanks). The collectors transport the delivered waste in trucks or barges to licenced waste processors. They ensure that the waste is processed with care in an environmentally-friendly and sustainable manner.

DELIVERING WASTE

Consult the [Port Waste Reception and Handling Plan](#) for information about waste delivery. There is also [a list of port reception facilities](#) in the seaports of Dordrecht, Maassluis, Moerdijk, Rotterdam, Schiedam and Vlaardingen (Municipality of Rotterdam).

FEE SYSTEM

Ship-generated waste falls under an indirect fee system, which means every vessel must pay a waste contribution regardless of whether the vessel delivers waste (with the exception of exempted vessels and a few other categories). Where possible, the total contribution must be equal to the costs of the collection, transport and processing of the waste.

RATES FOR THE DELIVERY OF WASTE

The rates for the delivery of waste can be obtained from the licenced collectors. The contribution amounts for all seagoing vessels can be found in the [Port Waste Reception and Handling Plan](#) and in the [Port Tariffs brochure](#). For 2025, the rates are as follows: a €240 fixed contribution for every ship, plus €0.05 per GT, up to a maximum of €2,000. The maximum for cruisevessels is €3,000.

REBATE

In accordance with legislation, there is a discount scheme for ships that comply with the Short Sea scheme, or for ships that comply with one of the rebate criteria as mentioned in the Port Waste management plan 2023. The Short Sea discount is automatically calculated.

The other rebates can be applied for via Green Award Foundation: [Ship Waste module - application form - Sea Shipping](#).

DELIVERY

The Port of Rotterdam Authority has entered into contracts with various waste collection companies that collect waste from the ships. Liquid cargo is collected with tankers, and solid waste is collected with special vessels moored alongside or onshore waste containers. No extra costs are charged for the delivery of solid waste, therefore delivery is free of charge.

An unlimited amount of waste can be delivered. Although there is no limit to the amount of waste, the amount delivered must be reasonable and in relation to the ships' size and crew. This applies to all Annexes. A vessel may only deliver Annex V waste for free on a maximum of two occasions per call.

Please note: cargo residues, sewage and scrubber waste fall outside of these regulations and are not reimbursed.

If the vessel also receives stores during its visit to the port, it is best, if possible, to postpone the delivery of waste until after the stores have been delivered.

The choice of collection company and the appointments for the waste collection made between the waste collector and the vessel are arranged via the shipping agent.

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