

## Fees of Examination Services as of 1st September 2023

Value added tax shall be added to all fees of examination services based on the Act on Value Added Tax in force.

### **PEC familiarisation voyage**

A familiarisation fee of 150 € per commenced hour shall be added to the pilotage fee of a PEC familiarisation voyage (minimum fee for 2 hours)

### **Fairway Knowledge Test**

The fee for a fairway knowledge test is 250 € per commenced hour (minimum fee for 2 hours)

### **Practical Pilotage Test**

The fee for assessing a practical pilotage test is 350 € per commenced hour (minimum fee for 3 hours)

### **Ship Simulator Test**

The fee for assessing a ship simulator test is 350 € per commenced hour (minimum fee for 3 hours)

### **Background**

According to the Pilotage Act (561/2023) and the regulations of the Finnish Transport and Communications Agency based on the Pilotage Act, the pilotage company is obliged to maintain a training system. Pilot examinations or PEC examinations may be assessed by a person approved by the Finnish Transport and Communications Agency and separately trained for the task. According to section 9 of the Pilotage Act, the pilotage company shall ensure that a sufficient number of persons assessing the examinations is available to assess the examinations so that the examinations can be assessed without difficulty.

The fee for the examination is based on the cost incurred for providing the service and a reasonable profit. Fees are agreed by the board of directors of the pilotage company. Section 54 of the Pilotage Act states the following about examination fees:

The person assessing the examinations may charge a fee based on a fixed unit price for assessing the examinations specified in this Act. If the trends concerning the pricing for assessing the examination indicate that the fees charged for the examinations are not reasonable, the Finnish Transport and Communications Agency may determine a maximum price for them. A reasonable price is a price that is reasonable considering the cost incurred by an efficient actor for providing the service. The maximum price shall be cost-based so that it includes a reasonable return. The maximum price can be set for a maximum of one year at a time.