

**Sayı** : 38591462-720-2025-2320

14.10.2025

Konu : Çin'in ABD Bağlantılı Gemilere Uyguladığı Özel Liman Ücretleri Hk.

Sirküler No: 793

Sayın Üyemiz,

Uluslararası Deniz Ticaret Odası (ICS) tarafından Odamıza gönderilen 10.10.2025 tarihli ekte sunulan e-posta yazısında;

Çin Halk Cumhuriyeti Ulaştırma Bakanlığı'nın 10 Ekim 2025 tarihinde yaptığı duyuruya istinaden; ABD ile bağlantılı olduğu değerlendirilen gemilere yönelik "Özel Liman Hizmet Ücretleri" uygulamasının 14 Ekim 2025 tarihinden itibaren yürürlüğe gireceği belirtilmekte olup, Çin Hükümetinin söz konusu resmi duyurusunun İngilizce çevirisi, Ulaştırma Bakanlığı'nın basın açıklaması, ilgili analizleri ve eylem maddelerini içeren dokümanlar ekte sunulmaktadır.

Bilgilerinize arz ve rica ederim.

Saygılarımla,

*e-İmza*İsmet SALİHOĞLU
Genel Sekreter**Ek:**

- 1- ICS'den Alınan 10 Ekim 2025 Tarihli E-Posta (2 Sayfa)
- 2- Ek-A ICS Çin İrtibat Ofisi Raporu - Çin'in ABD Bağlantılı Gemilere Uyguladığı Özel Liman Ücretleri Hk. (3 Sayfa)

Dağıtım:**Gereği:**

- Tüm Üyeler (Odamız Web sitesi ve e-posta ile)
- Türk Armatörler Birliği
- SS Armatörler Taşıma ve İşletme Kooperatifi
- GİSBİR (Türkiye Gemi İnşa Sanayicileri Birliği Derneği)
- VDAD (Vapur Donatanları ve Acenteleri Derneği)
- TÜRKLİM (Türkiye Liman İşletmecileri Derneği)
- KOSDER (Koster Armatörleri ve İşletmecileri Derneği)
- GBD (Gemi Brokerleri Derneği)

Bilgi:

- Yönetim Kurulu Başkan ve Üyeleri

Bu belge, 5070 sayılı Elektronik İmza Kanuna göre Güvenli Elektronik İmza ile İmzalanmıştır.

Evrakı Doğrulamak İçin :
<https://ebys.denizticaretodasi.org.tr/enVision.Sorgula/Belgedogrulama.aspx?eD=BSFESCLSB>
Bilgi için: Merve TÖNEL **Telefon:**
E-Posta: merve.tonel@denizticaretodasi.org.tr
Meclis-i Mebusan Caddesi No:22 34427 Fındıklı-Beyoğlu-İSTANBUL/TÜRKİYE
Tel : +90 (212) 252 01 30 (Pbx) **Faks:** +90 (212) 293 79 35 **KEP:** imeakdto@hs01.kep.tr
Web: www.denizticaretodasi.org.tr **E-mail:** iletisim@denizticaretodasi.org.tr





İSTANBUL VE MARMARA, EGE, AKDENİZ, KARADENİZ BÖLGELERİ

ISTANBUL & MARMARA, AEGEAN, MEDITERRANEAN, BLACKSEA REGIONS

DENİZ TİCARET ODASI



CHAMBER OF SHIPPING

Bu belge, 5070 sayılı Elektronik İmza Kanuna göre Güvenli Elektronik İmza ile İmzalanmıştır.



Odamızda
ISO 9001:2015
Kalite Yönetim Sistemi
ve
ISO 27001:2022
Bilgi Güvenliği Yönetim Sistemi
Uygulanmaktadır

Evrakı Doğrulamak İçin :
<https://ebys.denizticaretodasi.org.tr/enVision.Sorgula/Belgedogrulama.aspx?eD=BSFESCLSB>
Bilgi için: Merve TÖNEL Telefon:
E-Posta: merve.tonel@denizticaretodasi.org.tr
Meclis-i Mebusan Caddesi No:22 34427 Fındıklı-Beyoğlu-İSTANBUL/TÜRKİYE
Tel : +90 (212) 252 01 30 (Pbx) Faks: +90 (212) 293 79 35 KEP: imeakdto@hs01.kep.tr
Web: www.denizticaretodasi.org.tr E-mail: iletisim@denizticaretodasi.org.tr

Odamızda
Sıfır Atık Yönetimi
Sistemi
Uygulanmaktadır.
SIFIR
ATIK





International
Chamber of Shipping

Shaping the Future of Shipping

Walsingham House
35 Seething Lane
London
EC3N 4AH
Tel +44 20 7090 1460

info@ics-shipping.org | ics-shipping.org

This Circular and its attachments (if any) are confidential to the intended recipient and may be privileged. If you are not the intended recipient, you should contact ICS and must not make any use of it.

10 October 2025

SPC(25)64

TO: SHIPPING POLICY COMMITTEE

COPY: BOARD MEMBERS

CHINA ANNOUNCES SPECIAL PORT SERVICE FEES ON U.S.-LINKED VESSELS

Action required: Members are requested to note the information below and attachments regarding China's announcement of Special Port Service Fees on U.S.-linked vessels, as a countermeasure to the U.S. Trade Representative's Section 301 fees due to take effect on 14 October. Members are advised to provide any comments or questions to the undersigned (rachel.noronha@ics-shipping.org).

Background

Further to SPC(25)62 concerning recent amendments to China's *Regulations on International Maritime Transportation*, members are to be advised that the Ministry of Transport of the People's Republic of China have issued a formal announcement on 10 October 2025 introducing Special Port Service Fees on vessels deemed to be "linked" to the U.S. This measure will take effect from 14 October 2025.

The announcement is regarded as a reciprocal countermeasure to the U.S. Trade Representative's Section 301 actions targeting Chinese maritime interests, which are due to take effect on 14 October.

The ICS China Liaison Office have provided an English translation of the Chinese government's announcement, followed by the Ministry of Transport's official press statement, and relevant analysis and action points, which can be found at **Annex A**.

Members are advised to direct any questions or comments to (Rachel.noronha@ics-shipping.org) or the ICS China Liaison Office (edward.liu@ics-shipping.org).

[SPC\(25\)64 -Annex A - ICS China Liaison Office report - China Special Port Charges on U.S.-linked vessels](#)

Rachel Noronha
Head of Shipping Policy



International Chamber of Shipping (China) Liaison Office

國際航運公會中國辦事處

Add: 12/F, Queen's Centre, 58 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong
Tel: 852 2520-0206 Fax: 852 2529-8246 Email: edward.liu@ics-shipping.org

Ek-2

Circular to ICS Members

Subject: China Announces Special Port Charges on U.S.-Linked Vessels as Countermeasure

Date: 10 October 2025

Dear Members,

Further to our Circular dated 30 September 2025 concerning amendments to China's *Regulations on International Maritime Transportation*, we write to inform members that the Ministry of Transport of the People's Republic of China issued a formal announcement on 10 October 2025 introducing Special Port Service Fees on vessels deemed to be "linked" to the United States. This measure will take effect from 14 October 2025.

The announcement is regarded as a reciprocal countermeasure to the U.S. Trade Representative's Section 301 port fee measures targeting Chinese maritime interests.

Below we provide the free English translation of the Chinese government's announcement, followed by the Ministry's official press statement, and relevant analysis and action points.

Full English Translation of the Ministry of Transport Announcement

Dated: 10 October 2025

Announcement from the Ministry of Transport on the Imposition of Special Port Service Fees on U.S.-Linked Vessels

In accordance with laws, regulations, and the fundamental principles of international law, and with the approval of the State Council, effective from October 14, 2025, the maritime administration at the port of call shall impose a Special Port Service Fee on the following vessels related to the United States:

- Vessels owned by U.S. enterprises, other organizations, or individuals;
- Vessels operated by U.S. enterprises, other organizations, or individuals;
- Vessels owned or operated by enterprises or other organizations in which U.S. enterprises, other organizations, or individuals directly or indirectly hold 25% or more of the equity (voting rights or board seats);
- Vessels flying the U.S. flag;
- Vessels built in the United States.

1. Fee Standards

The Special Port Service Fee will be charged per voyage, and will be implemented in phases according to the following rates (fractions of a net ton will be rounded up to 1 net ton):

- (1) From October 14, 2025: RMB 400 per net ton;
- (2) From April 17, 2026: RMB 640 per net ton;
- (3) From April 17, 2027: RMB 880 per net ton;
- (4) From April 17, 2028: RMB 1,120 per net ton.

2. Multiple Port Calls and Annual Cap

- If a vessel calls at multiple Chinese ports during the same voyage, the Special Port Service Fee shall be paid only at the first port of call.
- Each vessel will be subject to the Special Port Service Fee for no more than five voyages per calendar year.

3. Implementation Measures

The Ministry of Transport will formulate and issue specific implementation guidelines.

Ministry of Transport

October 10, 2025

Distributed to: All Directly Affiliated Maritime Safety Administrations

Ministry of Transport Press Statement – Policy Rationale

In response to a media query, a spokesperson for the Ministry of Transport stated:

"In April 2025, the U.S. Trade Representative announced final Section 301 measures targeting China's maritime, logistics, and shipbuilding sectors. Effective from 14 October, the U.S. will impose additional port service charges on Chinese-owned, Chinese-built, and Chinese-flagged vessels.

These actions disregard facts, reflect unilateralism and protectionism, are clearly discriminatory, and seriously harm the legitimate interests of China's maritime sector. They also disrupt the global supply chain and undermine the international economic and trade order.

In accordance with the *Regulations on International Maritime Transportation*, the Ministry has issued this notice to impose Special Port Service Fees on U.S.-linked vessels starting 14 October 2025. This is a legitimate and lawful measure to safeguard the rights and interests of Chinese shipping enterprises.

We call on the U.S. to immediately correct its wrongful actions and cease its unjustified suppression of China's maritime industry."

Context and Legal Basis

These developments follow recent amendments to the *Regulations on International Maritime Transportation*, specifically Article 48 (formerly Article 46), which authorises the Chinese government to take action in response to discriminatory maritime measures imposed by foreign governments. The current policy aligns with that legal framework and is seen as a reaction to the U.S. Section 301 measures that China considers contrary to the 2003 China–U.S. Maritime Agreement.

Action Points for Members

- Members are advised to assess whether their vessels fall within the categories outlined in the announcement (i.e., U.S.-owned, operated, flagged, built, or with qualifying U.S. equity participation).
- Ownership and operational control—including indirect equity holdings and chartering structures—should be reviewed carefully.
- We have received enquiries from industry stakeholders regarding whether foreign subsidiaries of U.S.-based parent companies, which engage in vessel chartering, could be deemed “U.S. operators” for the purposes of these fees. While interpretation of the term "operator" may evolve, care should be taken in assessing potential exposure.
- Members may wish to seek legal advice regarding their status under these rules and any contractual implications.

We will continue to monitor developments, including the Ministry’s forthcoming implementation guidelines, and update members accordingly.

Should you have any questions, please contact the ICS Secretariat or the ICS (China) Liaison Office.

Best regards,

Edward Liu, MH

Principal Representative

ICS (China) Liaison Office & Shanghai Representative Office