



Australian Government

Australian Maritime Safety Authority



# HOW TO PAY YOUR LEVIES

## WHEN ARE LEVIES PAYABLE?

Commercial vessels<sup>^</sup> of at least 24 metres in length entering an Australian port are required to pay the following levies:

- ▶ Marine Navigation Levy (MNL); and
- ▶ Marine Navigation (Regulatory Functions) Levy (RFL).

In addition, commercial vessels<sup>^</sup> of at least 24 metres in length entering an Australian Port and carrying a quantity of oil in bulk not weighing less than 10 tonnes are required to pay the:

- ▶ Protection of the Sea Levy (PSL).

<sup>^</sup>Exemptions may apply and must be advised to AMSA in writing prior to vessel arrival.

## LEVY VALIDITY

Levies are valid for three months.

## LEVY PAYMENT PORTAL

The Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) has introduced a new, easier way to pay levies. AMSA levies can now be paid and managed online using the new Levy Payment Portal, eliminating the need to visit an Australian Customs & Border Protection Service office to pay levies.



The Levy Payment Portal offers the following benefits:

- ▶ search for levy expiry dates, calculate levy amounts due and pay for one or more vessels;
- ▶ flexible payment options – credit card, direct debit authority and Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT); and
- ▶ access further information relevant to AMSA levies all from the one place.

## PAYMENT OPTIONS

Levy payments can be made [online](http://www.amsa.gov.au/levies) via the Levy Payment Portal located at [www.amsa.gov.au/levies](http://www.amsa.gov.au/levies) using the following options:

- ▶ credit card (Visa or MasterCard only);
- ▶ direct debit authority; or
- ▶ EFT (see below).

## Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Payments

When paying by EFT, please complete the required details within the Levy Payment Portal and make your payment to the AMSA Levy Collections account.

*In circumstances where payment is not possible utilising the above options, the Australian Customs & Border Protection Service may accept cheque payments at one of their offices.*

## PROOF OF PAYMENT

The Australian Customs & Border Protection Service requires proof of levy payment prior to giving clearance. Proof of payment can consist of either:

- ▶ an electronic receipt\* issued by AMSA;
- ▶ an EFT receipt from your bank; or
- ▶ a bank statement coupled with your system generated remittance advice.

*Remittance advices will not be accepted without evidence from your bank that payment has been made.*

The Master is required to keep a copy of the receipt on the vessel. This will be required when entering other Australian ports as proof that levy/levies are valid.

\*Receipting terms and conditions apply, see [www.amsa.gov.au/levies](http://www.amsa.gov.au/levies)

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