2017 to 2018 Fees Report

Transport Canada

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Minister's message

On behalf of Transport Canada, I am pleased to present the 2017 to 2018 Report on Fees.

On June 22, 2017, the *Service Fees Act*ⁱ received Royal Assent, thereby repealing the *User Fees Act*ⁱⁱ.

The *Service Fees Act* introduces a modern legislative framework that enables cost-effective delivery of services and, through enhanced reporting to Parliament, improved transparency and oversight. The Act provides for:

- a streamlined approach to consultation and the approval of new or modified fees
- a requirement for services to have service standards and reporting against these standards, along with a policy to remit fees to fee payers when standards are not met
- an automatic annual fee adjustment by the Consumer Price Index to ensure that fees keep pace with inflation
- annual detailed reporting to Parliament in order to increase transparency.

This 2017 to 2018 Fees Report is the first report to be prepared under the *Service Fees Act*. The report includes new information, such as a detailed listing of all fees as well as future year fee amounts. Additional fee information will be included starting next fiscal year, once Transport Canada fully transitions to the *Service Fees Act* regime.

I welcome the increased transparency and oversight that the *Service Fees Act*'s reporting regime makes possible, and I look forward to making the transition to this modern framework.

The Honourable Marc Garneau, P.C., M.P. Minister of Transport

General fees information

The tables that follow provide information on each category of fees, including:

- the name of the fee category
- the date that the fee (or fee category) was introduced and last amended (if applicable)
- service standards
- performance results against these standards
- financial information regarding total costs, total revenues and remissions

In addition to the information presented by fee category, there is a summary of the financial information for all fees as well as a listing of fees under the department's authority. This listing includes the existing fee dollar amounts and the adjusted dollar fee amount for a future year.

General and financial information by fee category

General information

Fee Category	Fees charged for the processing of access requests filed under the Access to Information Act
Fee-setting authority	Access to Information Act ⁱⁱⁱ
Year introduced	1985
Year last amended	1992 Subsequent amendments to the Act and regulations did not trigger the <i>User Fees Act</i> .
Service standard	Service standards are included in the <i>Access to Information Act</i> , section 7. Transport Canada will respond within 30 days of receiving a request. However, per section 9 of the Act, we may extend this response time. If so, a notice of extension will be sent within 30 days after receipt of a request.
Performance results	Transport Canada's Access to Information on-time response rate in 2017 to 2018 was 82%. This result reflects our commitment to making every reasonable effort to complete requests in a timely manner.
	Transport Canada collected the \$5 application fee for 893 requests. This does not include payments we received last year for active requests carried over into fiscal year 2017 to 2018.
	Under the <i>Access to Information Act</i> , Transport Canada may waive application fees when deemed to be in the public interest. We may also waive fees in keeping with the principle of "duty to assist." We waived or returned fees for 78 requests.
	Cost information is based on the 2017 to 2018 Statistical Report on the <i>Access to Information Act</i> . User Fee financial information includes adjustments to a full cost base, per the Treasury Board Secretariat's Guide to Costing.
Other information	On May 5, 2016, the Treasury Board issued a directive clarifying that institutions may only charge the initial request fee of \$5. Fees for searches or production of records are no longer allowed. As a result, in line with the Interim Directive on the Administration of the <i>Access to Information Act</i> , all fees other than the \$5 application fee are now waived.

Financial information (dollars)

2016 to 2017	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018
Revenue	Revenue	Cost*	Remissions [†]
5,590	4,019	2,793,700	Not Applicable

^{*} The amount includes direct and indirect costs, where such costs are identifiable and material.

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General information

Fee Category	Airport Fees, Air Services Charges Regulations (General Terminal Fees, Landing Fees, Aircraft Parking Charges, Emergency Response Services Charges)
Fee-setting authority	Paragraph 4.4(2) of the <i>Aeronautics Act;</i> and Section 2 of the Ministerial Regulations Authorization Order if for the <i>Air Services Charges Regulations</i> in
Year introduced	1985
Year last amended	2003 Subsequent amendments to regulations and/or fee reductions, if any, did not trigger the <i>User Fees Act.</i>
Service standard	To ensure fees and service standards align with the requirements of the <i>Service Fees Act</i> , Transport Canada's Air, Marine and Environmental Programs began a review of its existing fees in 2017 to 2018 and updated or created new service standards, as required.
	The revised Aviation Service Standardsix are published on our website.
	The service standards in effect during the 2017 to 2018 reporting period are located at the following hyperlink: Airport Service Standards in 2017 to 2018.*
Performance results	Air, Marine and Environmental Programs is changing its business processes to help monitor, track and report on results for all fees in line with <i>Service Fees Act</i> . In view of this, service standards were not tracked in 2017 to 2018. Measurement of the updated standards will be included in the 2018 to 2019 report.
Other information	Data includes Transport Canada-owned and operated airports only.

Financial information (dollars)

2016 to 2017	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018
Revenue	Revenue	Cost*	Remissions [†]
6,584,517	6,206,257	33,240,909	Not Applicable

^{*} The amount includes direct and indirect costs, where such costs are identifiable and material.

Fee Category	Airport Fees, Airport Traffic Regulations (Annual Registration of Mobile Equipment)
Fee-setting	Government Property Traffic Act;xi
authority	Airport Traffic Regulations — Part III, sections 57 to 60xii

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Year introduced	1974
Year last amended	2004
	Subsequent amendments to regulations and/or fee reductions, if any, did not trigger the <i>User Fees Act</i> .
Service standard	To ensure fees and service standards align with the requirements of the Service Fees Act, Transport Canada's Air, Marine and Environmental Programs began a review of its existing fees in 2017 to 2018 and updated or created new service standards, as required.
	The revised Aviation Service Standardsxiii are published on our website.
	The service standards in effect during the 2017 to 2018 reporting period are located at the following hyperlink: Airport Service Standards in 2017 to 2018.xiv
Performance results	Air, Marine and Environmental Programs is changing its business processes to help monitor, track and report on results for all fees in line with the <i>Service Fees Act</i> . In view of this, service standards were not tracked in 2017 to 2018. Measurement of the revised standards will be included in the 2018 to 2019 report.
Other information	Data includes Transport Canada-owned and operated airports only.

2016 to 2017	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018
Revenue	Revenue	Cost*	Remissions [†]
0	2,217	7,114	Not Applicable

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Fee Category	Airport Vehicle Parking Charges, Airport Vehicle Parking Charges Regulations
Fee-setting authority	Paragraph 4.4(2) of the <i>Aeronautics Act</i> ^{xv} Section 2 of the Ministerial Regulations Authorization Order ^{xvi} for the <i>Airport Vehicle Parking Charges Regulations</i> ^{xvii}
Year introduced	1987
Year last amended	2012 Subsequent amendments to regulations and/or fee reductions, if any, did not trigger the <i>User Fees Act</i> .
Service standard	To ensure fees and service standards align with the requirements of the <i>Service Fees Act</i> , Transport Canada's Air, Marine and Environmental Programs began

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	a review of its existing fees in 2017 to 2018 and updated or created new service standards, as required.
	The revised Aviation Service Standards ^{xviii} are published on our website.
	The service standards in effect during the 2017 to 2018 reporting period are located at the following hyperlink: Airport Service Standards in 2017 to 2018.xix
Performance results	Air, Marine and Environmental Programs is changing its business processes to help monitor, track and report on results for all fees in line with the <i>Service Fees Act.</i> In view of this, service standards were not tracked in 2017 to 2018. Measurement of the updated standards will be included in the 2018 to 2019 report.
Other information	Data includes Transport Canada-owned and operated airports only.

2016 to 2017	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018
Revenue	Revenue	Cost*	Remissions [†]
438,812	428,502	1,375,157	Not Applicable

^{*} The amount includes direct and indirect costs, where such costs are identifiable and material.

Fee Category	Aviation Safety Regulatory Fees	
Fee-setting authority	Aeronautics Act ^{ex}	
Year introduced	1996	
Year last amended	2000	
Service Standard	To ensure fees and service standards align with the requirements of the <i>Service Fees Act</i> , Transport Canada's Civil Aviation Directorate (Civil Aviation) began a review of its existing fees in 2017 to 2018 and updated or created new service standards, as required. The revised Aviation Service Standards ^{xxi} are published on Transport Canada's website.	
	The service standards in effect during the 2017to 2018 reporting period are in the following PDF document: Transport Canada Civil Aviation Service Standards Activities (With And Without Charges) First Edition.xxii	
Performance results	In 2017 to 2018, Civil Aviation could track, monitor and report on 65% of its services through the Activity Tracking System (ATS) database. This represented 78,508 service transactions. Where it was possible to track performance, service was provided within the established standard 71% of the time. This includes all fee-based and select high volume non-fee services published externally in TP 14984.xiii For services with fees only, Civil Aviation delivered fee-based services	

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	82% of the time within published service standards compared with 81% in 2016 to 2017.	
	Civil Aviation is changing its business processes to help monitor, track and report on results for all fees in line with the Service Fees Act.	
	In an effort to be more accountable, Civil Aviation developed performance metrics to use in a periodic analysis of service performance. This practice has allowed Civil Aviation to regularly identify and address specific areas for improvement.	
Other information	Since 2014, to ensure services are delivered in a more timely way, Civil Aviation has been processing its aircraft registration and personnel licensing applications nationally. Workload can now be shared across 5 regions no matter where the client is located. This has improved the timeliness of processing upwards of 40,000 applications per year.	
	Civil Aviation is also rationalizing its services to:	
	realign resources to high priority activities	
	streamline and modernize service activities	
	develop alternative service delivery models	

2016 to 2017	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018
Revenue	Revenue	Cost*	Remissions [†]
8,286,527	7,856,150	87,176,599	

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Fee Category	Marine Safety Regulatory Fees		
	Enabling Act: The Canada Shipping Act, 2001,xxiv paragraph 35(1)(g)		
	Regulations:		
Fee-setting authority	 Port Wardens Tariff^{xxv} and Cargo, Fumigation and Tackle Regulations^{xxvi} for Marine Cargo inspections 		
	 Board of Steamship Inspection Scale of Feesxxvii for Domestic Vessel Regulatory Oversight 		
	Marine Personnel Regulations for Marine Personnel		
	 Vessels Registry Fees Tariff^{xxix} for Vessel Registry 		
Year introduced	2001		
Year last amended	2017		

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	To ensure fees and service standards align with the requirements of the Service Fees Act, Transport Canada's Marine Safety program (Marine Safety) began a review of its existing fees in 2017 to 2018 and updated or created new service standards, as required.
Service standard	The revised Marine Service Standardsxxx are published on our website.
	The service standards in effect during the 2017 to 2018 reporting period are located at the following hyperlink: Marine Safety Service Standards in 2017 to 2018xxxi
Performance results	Marine Safety is changing its business processes to help monitor, track and report on results for all fees in line with the <i>Service Fees Act</i> . In view of this, service standards were not tracked in 2017 to 2018. Measurement of the revised standards will be included in the 2018 to 2019 report.
Other information	A Handling of Complaints Related to Marine Safety User Fees and Applicable Service Standards ^{xxxii} policy is available on our website.
	Full or partial costs of activities that bring no benefits to the client, but assure public safety (for example, compliance and enforcement), are not subject to fees.

2016 to		2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018
Rever		Revenue	Cost*	Remissions [†]
12,108	,850	10,711,739	57,246,645	Not Applicable

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Fee Category	Public Port Fees (Wharfage and Transfers, Berthage, Storage, Harbour Dues, Utilities and Other Services)
Fee-setting authority	Canada Marine Act ^{exxiii}
Year introduced	1998
Year last amended	2004
Service standard	To ensure fees and service standards align with the requirements of the <i>Service Fees Act</i> , Transport Canada's Air, Marine and Environmental Programs began a review of its existing fees in 2017 to 2018 and updated or created new service standards, as required. The revised Marine Service Standards** are published on our website.

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	The service standards in effect during the 2017 to 2018 reporting period are located at the following hyperlink: Public Port Service Standards in 2017 to 2018.xxxv
Performance results	Air, Marine and Environmental Programs is changing its business processes to help monitor, track and report on results for all fees in line with the Service Fees Act. In view of this, service standards were not tracked in 2017 to 2018. Measurement of the revised standards will be included in the 2018 to 2019 report.
Other information	Data includes Transport Canada-owned and operated ports and public port facilities.

2016 to 2017	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018
Revenue	Revenue	Cost*	Remissions [†]
6,090,107	7,155,034	24,053,214	Not Applicable

^{*} The amount includes direct and indirect costs, where such costs are identifiable and material.

Financial totals for all fee categories

Total revenues, cost and remissions (dollars)

2016 to 2017	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018	2017 to 2018
Total revenue	Total revenue	Total cost	Total remissions
33,514,403	32,363,918	205,893,338	Not Applicable

Note: the totals are the sums of the revenues, costs and remissions reported for all fee categories in the "Financial information" tables.

Fees under the department's authority

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^{*}The 2016 to 2017 total revenue figure differs from Transport Canada's previous fee reporting, as \$48,772 in revenue associated with the Ship Radio Inspection Program^{xxxvi} is for the direct reimbursement of expenses rather than fees for service.

End Notes

- ⁱ Service Fees Act, http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/S-8.4/index.html
- ii *User Fees Act*, http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/U-3.7/20040331/P1TT3xt3.html
- iii Access to Information Act, http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/a-1/
- iv Access to Information Act, section 7, http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/a-1/page-2.html#h-8
- ^v Treasury Board Secretariat's Guide to Costing, http://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/pol/doceng.aspx?id=12251§ion=text
- vi Paragraph 4.4(2) of the Aeronautics Act, http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/A-2/page-2.html#h-7
- vii Section 2 of the Ministerial Regulations Authorization Order, https://lawslois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-86-631/page-1.html#h-2
- viii Air Services Charges Regulations, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-85-414/
- ix Aviation Service Standards, http://www.tc.gc.ca/en/transport-canada/corporate/transparency/service-standards-transport-canada/aviation-service-standards-2018-2019.html
- ^x Airport Service Standards in 2017 to 2018; https://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/programs/airports-standards-311.htm
- xi Government Property Traffic Act, http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/G-6/
- xii Airport Traffic Regulations Part III, sections 57 to 60, http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/C.R.C.,_c._886/
- xiii Aviation Service Standards, http://www.tc.gc.ca/en/transport-canada/corporate/transparency/service-standards-transport-canada.html
- xiv Airport Service Standards in 2017 to 2018; https://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/programs/airports-standards-311.htm
- xv Paragraph 4.4(2) of the Aeronautics Act, http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/A-2/page-2.html#h-7
- xvi Section 2 of the Ministerial Regulations Authorization Order, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-86-631/page-1.html#h-2
- xvii Airport Vehicle Parking Charges Regulations, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-87-543/

- xviii Aviation Service Standards, http://www.tc.gc.ca/en/transport-canada/corporate/transparency/service-standards-transport-canada.html
- xix Airport Service Standards in 2017 to 2018; https://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/programs/airports-standards-311.htm
- xx Aeronautics Act, http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/A-2/
- xxi Aviation Service Standards, http://www.tc.gc.ca/en/transport-canada/corporate/transparency/service-standards-transport-canada.html
- xxii Transport Canada Civil Aviation Service Standards Activities (With And Without Charges) First Edition, http://www.tc.gc.ca/media/documents/ca-publications/tp14984e.pdf
- xxiii TP 14984, http://www.tc.gc.ca/media/documents/ca-publications/tp14984e.pdf
- xxiv Canada Shipping Act, 2001, http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-10.15/
- xxv Port Wardens Tariff, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-79-154/
- xxvi *Cargo*, *Fumigation and Tackle Regulations*, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2007-128/index.html
- xxvii Board of Steamship Inspection Scale of Fees, http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/C.R.C.,_c._ 1405/
- xxviii Marine Personnel Regulations, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2007-115/
- xxix Vessels Registry Fees Tariff, http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2002-172/
- xxx Marine Service Standards, http://www.tc.gc.ca/en/transport-canada/corporate/transparency/service-standards-transport-canada/marine-service-standards-2018-2019.html
- xxxi Marine Safety Service Standards in 2017 to 2018; http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/marinesafety/service-standards-menu.htm
- xxxii Handling of Complaints Related to Marine Safety User Fees and Applicable Service Standards, http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/marinesafety/service-standards-handling-complaints-1622.htm
- xxxiii Canada Marine Act, http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-6.7/index.html
- xxxiv Marine Service Standards; http://www.tc.gc.ca/en/transport-canada/corporate/transparency/service-standards-transport-canada/marine-service-standards-2018-2019.html

xxxv Public Port Service Standards in 2017 to 2018; https://www.tc.gc.ca/en/services/marine/ports-harbours/charges-services-public-ports-owned-transport-canada.html

xxxvi Ship Radio Inspection Program, https://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/marinesafety/service-standards-ship-radio-4348.html

xxxvii Fees under the department's authority, https://www.tc.gc.ca/en/transport-canada/corporate/transparency/corporate-management-reporting/fees-report/fees-under-departments-authority.html