

November 18th, 2021

Subject : FAQ - Container Excess Dwell Fee at LA/LB Ports

1. When is the effective of Container Excess Dwell Fee implementation?

The program started from November 1st, 2021, and the fee was planned to be assessed from November 15th, 2021. However, with the significant improvement and progress, implementation of the fee is postponed to be effective from November 22nd, 2021. At the discretion of the Port Executive Director, effective date of the fee assessment can be postponed further based on the progress of terminal clearance. SM Line will keep you informed of any updates.

2. How will the fee be assessed?

The fee will be assessed on all Port/Local containers dwelling for 9 days or more and on rail containers dwelling for 6 days or more. The 9th day and 6th day respectively will be the first charge day

3. Will dwelling days be counted on calendar day or working day?

The dwelling days will be counted on calendar days basis, including Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

4. How much is the fee?

The amount of charge is \$100 per container on the first day and will increase by \$100 increment per container per day.

5. Will the fee also be applicable to containers already in the terminal or only to containers discharging after November 22nd, 2021?

The fee will be applicable to all container in the terminal. Containers already discharged and remaining at terminal over allowed dwell time will be charged starting from November 22nd, 2021. Regardless of excess days, November 22nd, 2021 will be counted as Day 1 with \$100 of fee applicable. Customers are required to clear docks in timely manner within the given grace period.

6. Will there be maximum cap on the fee?

There is no maximum cap on the fee.

7. Will the fee be applicable to IPI cargoes?

SM Line will not pass on Excess Dwell Fee for IPI cargoes while SM Line is still be subject to the fee by the Port Authority.

8. Will the fee be applicable for door moves where SM Line controls the Trucking?

The fee will not be applicable unless the delay is caused by a freight, OBL, customer hold (exam or any government inspection) or any constraint at the customer's warehouse.

9. Will the fee be applicable for door moves under Customer Nominated Trucker?

The customer is responsible for the fee.

10. Will the fee still be applied even if the container is not available by the terminals?

The charge will be assessed in accordance with Port of Los Angeles and Port of Long Beach announcement and policy.

11. Who will bill the new charge and how will it be collected?

We expect the Port Authorities to bill Carrier and for the charge to either be billed directly to customers or for the terminal operator to collect the same on our behalf prior to the release of cargo.