

LETTER OF ACCESS FEE STRUCTURE

The Letter of Access fee structure prepared by REACH Boron Consortium is based on principles of fairness, proportionality, transparency and non-discrimination.

This revised fee structure results from a thorough review of costs, etc.¹ After evaluating the various options for Letter of Access fees, including a flat fee structure and a banded fee structure, it was decided to continue with a per tonne fee structure for the ≥ 10 tonnes band, but to change to a flat fee structure for the 1-10 tonnes band. The reference tonnage is now the average annual tonnage of boron or phosphorus manufactured in or imported into the EU during the years 2016 and 2017.²

The following fees are now applicable:

| Substance | Per tonne fee | Flat fee |
|---|---|----------------|
| Boron [EC no. 231-151-2, CAS no. 7440-42-8] Elemental form - 1-10 tonnes band | | €10,000 |
| Boron [EC no. 231-151-2, CAS no. 7440-42-8] Elemental form ≥ 10 tonnes band | €1,403 (minimum €31,000) | |
| Boron [EC no. 231-151-2, CAS no. 7440-42-8] in alloy form 1-10 tonnes band | | €11,250 |
| Boron [EC no. 231-151-2, CAS no. 7440-42-8] In alloy form ≥ 10 tonnes band | €1,636 (minimum €36,000) | |
| Phosphorus [EC no. 231-768-7, CAS no. 7723-14-0] in alloy form 1-10 tonnes band | | €3,000 |
| Phosphorus [EC no. 231-768-7, CAS no. 7723-14-0] In alloy form ≥ 10 tonnes band | €355 (minimum €16,000) | |

- Letters of Access are available on a per legal entity basis
- An administration fee of €250 per Letter of Access will be charged.
- All fees and charges are subject to any applicable taxes such as value added tax [VAT].

In the event that a company which has purchased a Letter of Access at the 1-10 tonnes band wishes to upgrade to a higher tonnage band as per paragraph 2.6 of the Letter of Access Agreement, an additional fee will be payable, based on the per tonne fee for the anticipated tonnage concerned, subject to the applicable minimum fee (less the fee already paid for the 1-10 tonnes band).

¹ See our document explaining our LOA Fee Review Process

² See our document Guidance on calculation of reference tonnage