

# REQUIREMENT FOR BIOFUEL USAGE IN NORWEGIAN DOMESTIC MARITIME SECTOR

**From 1st January 2026, the Norwegian authorities have imposed a requirement of a 7% biofuel requirement for fuel sold to the domestic maritime sector, including fisheries.** In comparison, there is already a blending requirement in Norway of 11% biofuel in fuel sold on land and 20% for road use.

Bunker Oil AS uses advanced biofuel: HVO, Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil, in its blend, ensuring that the bunker quality is not degraded. HVO stands out from other bio-based fuels as it is a synthetically produced renewable diesel component, which is produced exclusively from renewable sources.

This means that the raw materials used in HVO production are not sourced from traditional food production.

For those using HVO, there are not expected to be any operational implications. HVO mixed with diesel performs similarly to normal MGO/diesel. It is not anticipated that the blend will have a negative impact on either storage or vessel propulsion systems.

From 1 January 2026, the requirement is 7% by volume for fuel sold to domestic maritime use, including fisheries. This will cause the bunker price to vary depending on the price of the blended biocomponent. HVO prices are at present almost double those of normal MGO/diesel. This will result in a biocomponent surcharge to the bunker price.

For more information, please refer to materials provided by Lovdata.no and the Norwegian Maritime Authority: [www.sdir.no/en](http://www.sdir.no/en)

You are also welcome to contact Bunker Oil AS if you have any further questions.

Read more: <https://lovdata.no/dokument/LTI/forskrift/2023-09-25-1516> (in Norwegian)