FAQ: B30 dob Singapore



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Argus has launched the first marine biodiesel spot price for B30 VLSFO dob Singapore — adding to its existing coverage for Asia, which includes B24 dob Singapore and Guangzhou. B30 dob Singapore is assessed daily on a delivered-on-board (dob) basis for blends comprising 30pc used cooking oil methyl ester (Ucome) and 70pc very-low sulphur fuel oil (VLSFO).

Why is Argus publishing this price?

B30 dob Singapore includes 300-3,000t volumes sold from Singapore. This is a higher blend and is starting to be used increasingly by shipowners in an effort to meet their compliance requirements set by EU and the International Maritime Organisation (IMO).

This price allows shipowners and bunker suppliers to monitor the price development of this emerging blend and compare it with prices for B24 dob Singapore, B24 dob Guangzhou, B24 dob Algeciras-Gibraltar and B30 dob Amsterdam-Rotterdam- Antwerp (ARA).

Why is B30 dob Singapore a useful price?

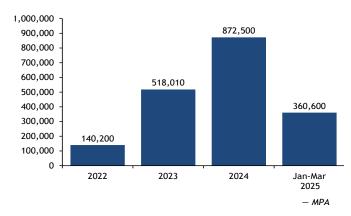
Demand for biofuel blends is rising in Asia, and especially in Singapore, as it retains its position as the most price competitive port globally. Shipowners are looking at varying blends including B24, B30 and B100, depending on their need to meet compliance ratings set by either FuelEU Maritime or IMO's CII ratings.

For shipowners with vessels operating between Asia and Europe, B30 can also be used to reduce EU emissions trading system (ETS) costs or to meet FuelEU Maritime greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction targets. Shipowners, regional producers and bunker suppliers can use this price to understand the profitability of blending B30 or the cost-benefit of bunkering it compared with other ports within Asia or other regions.

How is the marine biodiesel market developing in Singapore and the region?

Demand for the B30 blend has been latent since late 2024, as shipowners were preparing to meet the requirements of the FuelEU mandate implemented in January 2025.

Singapore: Total bio-blends



In Singapore, the Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) approved the bunkering of B30 from 7 March, allowing Type I barges to transport biofuel blends of up to 30pc at the port. This decision came ahead of the IMO's approval of the same proposal during its Marine Environment Protection Committee's (MEPC) 83rd session on 7-11 April 2025.

For shipowners seeking opportunities to bunker B30 in Singapore and Malaysian ports for their voyages to Europe, Argus' B30 VLSFO dob price is the first index that provides a spot assessment of this blend.

What is the importance of outright assessments of biofuel-blends? How does it help?

The outright assessment of biofuel blends such as B30 dob Singapore allow shipowners, physical suppliers and traders to have a clear price index, based on market surveys of the physical market activity in the B30 market. The assessment will be based on actual deals, bids, offers for B30 but also backed up by market fundamentals or other pricing related information. As Argus is market leading in pricing UCOME biodiesel, we leverage this expertise in combination with the





market activity reported to us to ensure we offer the marine sector a B30 price assessment which truly reflects this market as it trades.

The assessment can be used to help understand and quantify bunkering and compliance related costs incurred by shipowners and charterers. But also importantly as the B30 market emerges, this price assessment is also for use in physical supply contracts.

For more information

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