

**DISTRICT COURT CIVIL PROCEDURE (FEES)
(AMENDMENT) RULES 2008**

DISTRICT COURT CIVIL PROCEDURE (FEES) RULES (Cap. 336C)

Remarks

1. Citation

These rules may be cited as the District Court Civil Procedure (Fees) Rules.

(Enacted 1988)

2. Fees

The fees specified in the Schedule shall be payable in respect of all proceedings taken in any action or matter whatsoever in the Court whenever commenced, save where express provision is made by any other enactment in respect of any particular form of proceedings.

3. Payment of fees

Save where otherwise provided in the Schedule, the fees therein specified shall be payable either by adhesive stamps or by causing the relevant document to be franked with the amount of the relevant fee.

(Enacted 1988)

4. Saving of special fee

Where, in relation to any particular proceedings in the Court, a fee is specified in the Schedule, that fee shall be payable in substitution for and not in addition to any general fee specified in the Schedule.

(Enacted 1988)

5. (Repealed L.N. 402 of 1992)

6. Power of Registrar

The Registrar may reduce, remit or defer payment of any fee specified in the Schedule as he may think fit in any particular case and shall, in every case where he exercises this power, endorse on the relevant document a note of such reduction, remission or deferment and of the reason therefor.

(Enacted 1988)

7. Application to the Government

These Rules shall apply to all proceedings by or against the Government.
(L.N. 187 of 2000)

8. Transitional provision relating to the District Court Civil Procedure (Fees) (Amendment) Rules 2008

Rule 2

Where a party entitled to require any costs to be taxed has obtained an appointment to tax before the commencement of rule 3(a) and (b) (“the amending rule”) of the District Court Civil Procedure (Fees) (Amendment) Rules 2008 (L.N. 156 of 2008) –

- (a) nothing in the amending rule applies in relation to the taxation; and**
- (b) items 20 and 20a in the Schedule as in force immediately before the commencement of the amending rule continue to apply in relation to the taxation as if they had not been amended by the amending rule.**

SCHEDULE

Item	Particular	Fee \$	[rule 2]
Commencement of a Cause or Matter			
1.	On sealing –		
	(a) a writ of summons (except a concurrent, renewed or amended writ)	630	
	(b) an originating summons	630	
	(c) an originating ex parte application	630	
	(d) any other originating document	630	
Entry or Setting Down for Trial in Court			
2.	(a) Applying for pre-trial review	630	
	(b) Setting down a civil appeal or summons for hearing	630	
	(c) Entering a reference for hearing of an assessment of damages by a judge or the Registrar	630	
Taking Evidence, etc.			
3.	For every witness examined de bene esse by a judge or the Registrar, per day or part thereof	530	
4.	Attendance of a public officer to produce or prove in the District Court any record or document	440	

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5.	Attendance of a public officer to give evidence as an expert witness, per hour or part thereof	440 (or such other fee as is specially assessed by the judge or Registrar)
6.	Attendance of a public officer to give evidence other than as an expert witness, per hour or part thereof	220 (with a minimum of \$440)
7.	Attendance by the Registrar or officer outside the District Court	630

Copies, Translation and Searches

8.	(a) Copy of documents typed in the Registry and certifying same, per page	36
	(b) Additional copies, per page	4
9.	(a) Photostatic copy of a document made in the Registry, per page	4
	(b) Photostatic copy and certification, per page	5.5
	(c) Photostatic copy of a library book, per page	4
10.	(a) Translation made in the Registry of a document from Chinese into English, or vice versa including certificate, per page	72
	(b) Transcription and translation made in the Registry, from Chinese into English, or vice versa, of a tape or recording including certificate, per page	132
11.	(a) Certifying translations made outside the Registry, from Chinese into English, or vice versa, per page	36

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(b) Certifying transcription made outside the Registry, from Chinese into English, or vice versa, of a tape or recording, per page	36
12. Search in the Registry, for each document or file referred to or required	18

Service

13. Service of a document by a bailiff, per document.....	72
14. Arresting any person	385
15. Execution of writ of possession	630

Execution

16. On sealing –	630
(a) a warrant for arrest of a defendant or for the attachment of property before judgment	
(b) a writ of execution or writ of possession	630
(c) a prohibitory order	630
(d) an order for the examination of a judgment debtor (or an officer thereof)	630
(e) a prohibition order	630

Bailiff's Expenses

17. Watchman's fee, per day or part thereof for all cases	330
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| 18. | Caretaker's fee, per day or part thereof | Actual expenditure |
| 19. | Caretaker's or watchman's transportation expenses | Actual expenditure plus 20% thereof being administrative charges |

Taxation of Costs

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| 20. | On the taxation of a bill of costs or any assessment under Order 62, rule 21(4) of the Rules of the High Court (Cap. 4 sub. leg.), for every \$100 or fraction of \$100 of the amount allowed- <u>On the filing of a notice of commencement of taxation under Order 62, rule 21(1) of the Rules of the District Court (Cap. 336 sub. leg. H) or on any assessment or determination of costs pursuant to any court order or Ordinance (except assessment under Order 62, rule 9 or 9A of the Rules of the District Court (Cap. 336 sub. leg. H)), for every \$100 or fraction of \$100 of the amount claimed</u> | 5 | Rule 3 |
| 20a. | Processing of a bill of costs which is withdrawn less than 7 days before the appointment for taxation- <u>Withdrawal of a bill of costs within 7 days after the application for setting down the taxation under Order 62, rule 21A(1) of the Rules of the District Court (Cap. 336 sub. leg. H) is made</u> | 10% of the taxing fee which would be payable if the bill was to be allowed in full or \$1,000 whichever is the less (L.N. 187 of 2000) | |

Miscellaneous Fees

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| 21. | Authentication of document by the Registrar | 125 |
| 22. | On sealing of a notice in Form No. 80 under Order 50, rule 11(2) | 630
(L.N. 187 of 2000) |

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23. On sealing of an injunction order 630
undertaken before commencement of a (L.N. 187 of 2000)
cause

(L.N. 402 of 1992; L.N. 140 of 1994; 25 of 1998
s. 2; L.N. 187 of 2000; L.N. 338 of 2000; L.N.
26 of 2001)