2022 No. 185

COURT OF SESSION

The Court of Session etc. Fees Order 2022

Made - - - - 24th May 2022

Laid before the Scottish Parliament 26th May 2022

Coming into force in accordance with article 1

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 107(1) and (2) of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014(a) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

Citation, commencement and effect

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Court of Session etc. Fees Order 2022 and, subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), comes into force on 1 July 2022.
- (2) Article 3(2)(b) and schedule 2 come into force, and article 3(2)(a) and schedule 1 cease to have effect, on 1 April 2023.
- (3) Article 3(2)(c) and schedule 3 come into force, and article 3(2)(b) and schedule 2 cease to have effect, on 1 April 2024.

Interpretation

- **2.**—(1) In this Order—
 - "Office of Court" has the same meaning as in rule 3.1 of the Rules of Court,
 - "partner" means a person to whom a person is married, or with whom the person is in a civil partnership,
 - "Rules of Court" means the Rules of the Court of Session 1994(b),
 - "Table of Fees" means the Table of Fees in schedule 1, 2 or 3 of this Order.
- (2) For the purposes of any reference in this Order to a "party"—
 - (a) except in relation to a special case, a set of persons with the same interest, for whom one and the same first paper is or has been lodged, is to be treated as a single party, and
 - (b) in relation to a special case, each person or set of persons who appear as one of the separate parties to the case is to be treated as a party.

⁽a) 2014 asp 18.

⁽b) The Rules of the Court of Session 1994 are in schedule 2 of the Act of Sederunt (Rules of the Court of Session 1994) 1994 (S.I. 1994/1443, last amended by S.S.I. 2022/135).

Fees payable in the Court of Session etc.

- **3.**—(1) This Order makes provision for the fees payable in the Office of Court, the office of the Accountant of Court and the office of the Auditor of the Court of Session.
 - (2) Subject to paragraph (4) and articles 4 to 8—
 - (a) the fees payable in respect of the matters specified in column 1 of the Table of Fees in schedule 1 (table of fees payable from 1 July 2022) are the fees specified in relation to those matters in column 2 of that Table,
 - (b) the fees payable in respect of the matters specified in column 1 of the Table of Fees in schedule 2 (table of fees payable from 1 April 2023) are the fees specified in relation to those matters in column 2 of that Table, and
 - (c) the fees payable in respect of the matters specified in column 1 of the Table of Fees in schedule 3 (table of fees payable from 1 April 2024) are the fees specified in relation to those matters in column 2 of that Table.
 - (3) The fees payable under this Order are to be paid—
 - (a) in relation to the Office of Court, to the Principal Clerk of Session or any officer acting for the Principal Clerk of Session,
 - (b) in relation to the office of the Accountant of Court, to the Accountant of Court or any officer acting for the Accountant of Court, and
 - (c) in relation to the office of the Auditor of the Court of Session, to the Auditor of the Court of Session, or any officer acting for the Auditor of the Court of Session.
- (4) The fees provided for by this Order are not payable by the Crown in the enforcement of the criminal law or in the exercise of powers or the performance of duties arising out of or relating to that enforcement.
- (5) No act is required of any officer or person specified in paragraph (3) in connection with a matter specified in relation to any fee prior to—
 - (a) the payment of that fee, or
 - (b) an arrangement being entered into for payment of that fee.

Exemption of certain persons from fees: legal aid

- **4.** A fee specified by this Order is not payable by a person if—
 - (a) the person is in receipt of civil legal aid within the meaning of section 13(2) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986(a) in respect of the matter in the Table of Fees in schedule 1, 2 or 3 in connection with which the fee is payable,
 - (b) the fee is payable in connection with a simplified divorce or dissolution of a civil partnership application and the person is in receipt of advice and assistance from a solicitor under the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986 in respect of that application, or
 - (c) the person's solicitor is undertaking work in relation to the matter in the Table of Fees in schedule 1, 2 or 3 in connection with which the fee is payable on the basis of any regulations made under section 36(1) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986 providing for legal aid in a matter of special urgency.

⁽a) 1986 c. 47. Section 13(2) was amended by the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1990 (c. 40), section 74 and schedule 8, paragraph 36(3).

Exemption of certain persons from fees: social security

- **5.**—(1) A fee specified by this Order is not payable by a person if—
 - (a) the person or the person's partner is in receipt of income support under the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(a),
 - (b) the person is in receipt of an income-based jobseeker's allowance under the Jobseekers Act 1995(b),
 - (c) the person or the person's partner is in receipt of guarantee credit under the State Pension Credit Act 2002(**c**),
 - (d) the person or the person's partner is in receipt of working tax credit, provided that—
 - (i) child tax credit is being paid to the person or the person's partner, or otherwise following a claim for child tax credit made jointly by the members of a couple (as defined in section 3(5A) of the Tax Credits Act 2002(d)) which includes the person or the person's partner, or
 - (ii) there is a disability element or severe disability element (or both) to the tax credit received by the person or the person's partner,
 - and that the gross annual income taken into account for the calculation of the working tax credit is £20,592 or less,
 - (e) the person or the person's partner is in receipt of income-related employment and support allowance under the Welfare Reform Act 2007(e),
 - (f) the person is in receipt of universal credit under Part 1 of the 2012 Act,
 - (g) the person is in receipt of either—
 - (i) personal independence payment under Part 4 of the 2012 Act, or
 - (ii) adult disability payment within the meaning given in regulation 2 of the Disability Assistance for Working Age People (Scotland) Regulations 2022(f) provided that the gross annual income taken into account for the calculation of the personal independence payment is £20,592 or less, or
 - (h) the person or the person's partner has, within the period of 3 months prior to the date the specified fee would be payable but for this exemption, received financial or other assistance under the Welfare Funds (Scotland) Act 2015(g).
- (2) In this article—

"the 2012 Act" means the Welfare Reform Act 2012(h).

Exemptions for applicants for certain interdicts and orders

6.—(1) The fees provided for by this Order are not payable by a person applying for a specified interdict or for an exclusion order.

⁽a) 1992 c. 4. Section 124, which provides for income support, was amended by schedules 2 and 3 of the Jobseekers Act 1995 (c. 18); Part IV, paragraph 28 of schedule 8 of the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (c. 30); schedules 2 and 3 of the State Pension Credit Act 2002 (c. 16); schedule 24 of the Civil Partnership Act 2004 (c. 33); schedules 3 and 8 of the Welfare Reform Act 2007 (c. 5); section 3 of the Welfare Reform Act 2009 (c. 24); and schedule 14 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012 (c. 5).

⁽b) 1995 c. 18.

⁽c) 2002 c. 16. (d) 2002 c. 21. Section 3(5A) was substituted for section 3(5) to (6) by paragraph 144(3) of schedule 24 of the Civil Partnership Act 2004.

⁽e) 2007 c. 5.

⁽f) S.S.I. 2022/54.

⁽g) 2015 asp 5.

⁽h) 2012 c. 5.

(2) In this article—

- (a) "specified interdict" means an interdict or interim interdict that is—
 - (i) a matrimonial interdict within the meaning of section 14(2) of the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Act 1981(a) (interdict competent where spouses live together),
 - (ii) a domestic interdict within the meaning of section 18A of that Act(**b**) (meaning of "domestic interdict"),
 - (iii) a relevant interdict under section 113(2) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004(c) (civil partners: competency of interdict), or
 - (iv) otherwise an interdict in respect of which there is an application for a power of arrest to be attached under section 1 of the Protection from Abuse (Scotland) Act 2001(**d**) (attachment of power of arrest to interdict), and
- (b) "exclusion order" means an exclusion order under—
 - (i) section 4 of the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Act 1981(e) (exclusion orders), or
 - (ii) section 104 of the Civil Partnership Act 2004 (exclusion orders).
- (3) The exemption in paragraph (1) does not apply to a person applying for a principal remedy other than a specified interdict or exclusion order.
- (4) The fees provided for by this Order are not payable by the applicant in any appeal in connection with proceedings in respect of which the applicant would not be required to pay fees by virtue of—
 - (a) paragraph (1), or
 - (b) article 12(1) of the Sheriff Court Fees Order 2022(f) (exemptions for applicants for certain interdicts and orders).

Exemptions for certain proceedings relating to the environment

- 7.—(1) The fees provided for by this Order are not payable by a person in—
 - (a) an appeal to the Court of Session under section 56 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002(g) as modified by regulation 17 of the Environmental information (Scotland) Regulations 2004(h),
 - (b) relevant proceedings which include a challenge to a decision, act or omission on grounds subject to the provisions of Article 6 of the Aarhus Convention,
 - (c) relevant proceedings which include a challenge to an act or omission on the grounds that it contravenes the law relating to the environment.
- (2) In this article—

"the Aarhus Convention" means the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-Making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters done at Aarhus, Denmark on 25 June 1998,

⁽a) 1981 c. 59. Section 14 was amended by schedule 3 of the Family Law (Scotland) Act 2006 (asp 2) and by S.S.I. 2006/384.

⁽b) Section 18A was inserted by section 31(3) of the Family Law (Scotland) Act 2006 (asp 2).

⁽c) 2004 c. 33. Section 113 was amended by paragraph 8 of schedule 1 and schedule 3 of the Family Law (Scotland) Act 2006 and by S.S.I. 2006/384.

⁽d) 2001 asp 14. Section 1 was amended by section 32(2) and (3) of the Family Law (Scotland) Act 2006.

⁽e) Section 4 was amended by section 13(5) of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1985 (c. 73). By virtue of section 18(3) of the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Act 1981, section 4 applies in certain cases to cohabiting couples.

⁽f) S.S.I. 2022/181.

⁽g) 2002 asp 13.

⁽h) S.S.I. 2004/520.

"relevant proceedings" means—

- (a) applications to the supervisory jurisdiction of the court, including applications under section 45(b) (specific performance of a statutory duty) of the Court of Session Act 1988(a),
- (b) appeals under statute to the Court of Session.

Exemption of certain motions from fees

- **8.**—(1) This article applies to motions which are enrolled in the process of the cause or made orally at the bar in accordance with rule 23.2 of the Rules of Court (enrolment of motions).
- (2) The fees specified in items B21 and C16 of the Table of Fees are not payable in respect of motions which operate solely so as to activate further steps of procedure and any opposition to such motions.
- (3) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (2), a motion which is exempt from the payment of fees includes a motion under any of the following rules of the Rules of Court—
 - (a) rule 19.1 (decrees in absence),
 - (b) rule 22.3(5)(a) (closing record),
 - (c) rule 36.13 (death, disability, retiral, etc. of Lord Ordinary),
 - (d) rules 37.1(2)(b), 37.1(6) and 37.1(7) (applications for jury trial),
 - (e) rule 37.10 (application of verdicts), and
 - (f) rule 38.17(1) (amendment of pleadings in reclaiming motion).

Calculation of certain fees payable

- **9.**—(1) Subject to article 8, the fees specified in items B21 and C16 of the Table of Fees are payable in addition to the fees specified in items B2, B6 and C5 of the Table of Fees.
- (2) The fees specified in items B21 and C16 of the Table of Fees are not payable in addition to the fees specified in items B9, B10 and B13 and C8 of the Table of Fees.

Revocation

10. The Court of Session etc. Fees Order 2018(b) is revoked.

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Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 24th May 2022

⁽a) 1988 c. 36.

⁽b) S.S.I. 2018/83.

Article 3(2)(a)

SCHEDULE 1 TABLE OF FEES

Payable from 1 July 2022

Column 1 (Matters)	Column 2 (Fee payable) £	Column 3 (Fee formerly Payable)(a) £
PART I – FEES IN THE CENTRAL OFFICE OF THE COURT		
A. SIGNETING		
Signeting of any writ or summons if attendance is necessary outwith normal office hours.	137	134
B. GENERAL DEPARTMENT		
1. Appeal, application for leave or permission to appeal, summons, or other writ or step by which any cause or proceeding, other than a family action, is originated in either the Inner or Outer House (to include signeting in normal office hours).	325	319
2. Defences, answers or other writ (including a joint minute) or step in process or enrolment or opposition to a motion in a pending process by which a party other than an originating party first makes an appearance in a cause or proceeding, other than a family action.	325	319
3. Writ by which a family action is originated (other than a simplified divorce or dissolution of a civil partnership application) – inclusive fee (to include signeting within normal office hours and, if applicable, issue to the pursuer of an extract in terms of item G5(a) of this Table, and to the defender, if appropriate, a duplicate thereof).	180	176
4. Simplified divorce or dissolution of a civil partnership application (inclusive of all procedure other than that specified in item B5 of this Table).	137	134
5. In relation to a simplified divorce or dissolution of a civil partnership application, citation of any persons under rule 16.1(1)(a)(i), (ii) or (iii), as applied by rule 49.76, of the Rules of Court, or intimation to any person or persons under rule 16.1(1)(a)(i), (ii) or (iii), as applied by rule 49.76 of those Rules, where such intimation is required.	plus messenger at arms fee to serve document	plus messenger at arms fee to serve document
6. Defences, answers or other writ (including a joint minute) or step in process or enrolment of or opposition to a motion in a pending process by which a party other than an originating party first makes appearance in a family action.	180	176

⁽a) Column 3 shows the fees which were payable by virtue of schedule 3 of S.S.I. 2015/261 (as substituted by schedule 1 of S.S.I. 2016/332) immediately before the coming into force of this schedule.

7. Initial lodging of affidavits in a family action where	77	75
proof by affidavit evidence has been allowed.		
8. Special case—		
for each party,	115	113
maximum fee payable (per case).	472	463
9. Application by minute or motion for variation of an	40	39
order in a family action.		
10. Answers or opposition to an application under item B9	40	39
of this Table.	58	57
11. Letter of request to a foreign court.12. Citation of each jury, to include outlays incurred in	323	317
citing and countermanding - payable on receipt of	323	317
instruments for issue of precept.		
13. Reclaiming motion - payable by party enrolling motion.	232	227
14. Closed record – payable by each party on the lodging	217	213
of the closed record or, where no closed record is lodged,		
when mode of enquiry is determined.		
15. Allowing proof, etc payable by each party on diet of	63	62
proof, jury trial, procedure roll or summar roll hearing		
being allowed.	217	212
16. Court hearing (in normal hours) before a bench of one	217	213
or two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof.		
<i>Note:</i> This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the		
hearing of a motion.		
17. Court hearing (in normal hours) before 3 or more	543	532
judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part		
thereof.		
<i>Note:</i> This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the		
hearing on the single bills.	261	27.6
18. Court hearing (out of hours) before a bench of one or	261	256
two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof.		
19. Court hearing (out of hours) before 3 or more judges –	652	639
payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof.	032	037
20. Cancellation of court hearing before 3 or more judges,	50% of fee that	50% of fee that
by a party or parties, within 28 days of court hearing date –	would have been	would have
fee payable is shared equally between the parties.	payable under	been payable
	this Table had	under this Table
	the court hearing	had the court
	taken place as	hearing taken
21 Fee payable by any party anrolling a motion or making	planned 108	place as planned 106
21. Fee payable by any party enrolling a motion or making a motion orally at the bar and any party opposing any such	100	100
motion.		
C. PETITION DEPARTMENT		
1. Petition of whatever nature presented to the Inner or	325	319
Outer House other than a petition under item C3 or C4 of		
this Table, whether in respect of the first or any subsequent		
step of process, and any application for registration or		
recognition of a judgment under the Civil Jurisdiction and		
Judgments Act 1982.		

2. Additional fee payable when a petition in terms of item C1 of this Table is presented outwith normal office hours.	137	134
3. Petition to be admitted as a notary public—		
for each applicant.	174	171
4. Petition to be admitted as a solicitor—	1,1	1,1
for each applicant	174	171
for each applicant. 5. Answers, objection or other writ (including a joint	325	319
minute) or step in process or enrolment or opposition to a	323	319
motion in a pending process by which a party other than an		
originating party first makes appearance in a proceeding to		
which item C1 of this Table applies.		. –
6. Caveat.	46	45
7. Registering official copies of orders of courts in England and Wales or Northern Ireland.	19	19
8. Reclaiming motion – payable by party enrolling motion.	232	227
9. Closed record – payable by each party on the lodging of	217	213
the closed record or, when no closed record is lodged,	21,	213
when mode of enquiry is determined.		
10. Allowing proof, etc. – payable by each party on diet of	63	62
proof, procedure roll, summar roll or judicial review		
hearing being allowed.	217	212
11. Court hearing (in normal hours) before a bench of one or two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes	217	213
or part thereof.		
<i>Note:</i> This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the		
hearing of a motion.		
12. Court hearing (in normal hours) before 3 or more	543	532
judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof.		
<i>Note:</i> This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the		
hearing on the single bills.		
13. Court hearing (out of hours) before a bench of one or	261	256
two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or		
part thereof.	(52	(20)
14. Court hearing (out of hours) before 3 or more judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof.	652	639
15. Cancellation of court hearing before 3 or more judges,	50% of fee that	50% of fee that
by a party or parties, within 28 days of court hearing date –	would have been	would have
fee payable is shared equally between parties.	payable under	been payable
	this Table had	under this Table
	the court hearing	had the court
	taken place as planned	hearing taken place as planned
16. Fee payable by any party enrolling a motion or making	108	106
a motion orally at the bar and any party opposing any such	100	100
motion.		
17. Lodging of notice of appointment or intention to	325	319
appoint an administrator out of court under the Insolvency		
Act 1986 or filing documents with the court to obtain a moratorium under section A3 of Part A1 of that Act.		
D. COURT FOR HEARING APPEALS RELATING TO		
THE REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS		
Ammool inclusive for	225	210
Appeal – inclusive fee.	325	319

E ELECTION COURT		
E. ELECTION COURT		
1. Parliamentary election petition.	325	319
2. Statement of matters.	19	19
3. Any other petition, application, answers or objections	58	57
submitted to the court.		
4. Certificate of judgment.	58	57
5. Court hearing (in normal hours) before a bench of one or	217	213
two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or		
part thereof.		
Note: This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the		
hearing of a motion.		
6. Court hearing (in normal hours) before 3 or more judges	543	532
– payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part		
thereof.		
Note: This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the		
hearing on the single bills.	100	106
7. Fee payable by any party enrolling a motion or making a	108	106
motion orally at the bar and any party opposing any such motion.		
F. LANDS VALUATION APPEAL COURT		
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1. Appeal - inclusive fee.	325	319
2. Answers - inclusive fee.	232	227
G. EXTRACTS DEPARTMENT		
1. Extract decree following upon a summons, petition or	63	62
appeal, or after protestation of a note, whether in absence		0-
or otherwise.		
2. Extract of admission as a solicitor.	58	57
3. Extract of protestation.	58	57
4. Certificate under the Civil Jurisdiction and Judgments	58	57
Act 1982.		
5. Documentation evidencing divorce, nullity or dissolution	34	33
of marriage or civil partnership including—		
(a) extract from Consistorial Register of Decrees of		
decree pronounced on or after 23 September 1975		
if not issued in terms of item B3 or B4 of this		
Table,		
(b) certificate of divorce in decree pronounced prior		
to 23 September 1975,		
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(c) certified copy interlocutor in decree pronounced prior to 23 September 1975.		
	34	33
6. Extract from the Register of Acts and Decrees – per sheet or part thereof.	34	33
7. Sealing and certifying any document for exhibition in a	34	33
foreign jurisdiction or otherwise.	34	33
8. Acknowledgement of receipt of a notice under section	58	57
19(6) or 21(2) of the Conveyancing and Feudal Reform	30	31
(Scotland) Act 1970.		
PART II – FEES IN THE OFFICE OF THE		
ACCOUNTANT OF COURT		
H. OFFICE OF THE ACCOUNTANT OF COURT		

I. In Factories		
1. Registering case and receiving and delivering up bond of caution.	23	23
2. Examining factor's inventory – 0.333% of the value of the estate as disclosed—		
(a) minimum fee payable,	34	33
(b) maximum fee payable.	783	768
3. Auditing each account, based on estate value—		
(a) $£0 - £30,000$,	121	119
(b) £30,001 - £50,000,	245	240
(c) £50,001 - £250,000,	611	599
(d) £250,001 - £500,000,	917	899
(e) £500,001 and above.	1,223	1,199
4. Reporting with regard to discharge, special powers, other special matters, surplus estate or scheme of division.	60	59
5. For certificate under seal.	18	18
II. In Consignations		
6. Lodging consignation.	36	35
7. Producing or delivering up consignation, based on	30	33
consignation value— (a) consignation value £0 - £50 and less than 7 years since lodged,	No charge	No charge
(b) consignation value over £50 and less than 7 years since lodged,	36	35
(c) consignation value £0 - £70 and over 7 years since lodged,	No charge	No charge
(d) consignation value over £70 and over 7 years since lodged.	57	56
PART III – FEES IN THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR OF THE COURT OF SESSION		
I. OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR OF THE COURT OF SESSION		
1. Taxing accounts of expenses incurred in judicial proceedings (including proceedings in the High Court of Justiciary) remitted to the Auditor of the Court of Session for taxation—		
(a) on lodging account for taxation,	47	46
(b) taxing accounts for expenses etc.—		
(i) up to £400,	21	21
(ii) for every additional £100 or part thereof.	5	5
Note: fee to be determined by the Auditor of the Court of Session on amount of account as submitted.		
Fee for assessing account remitted to the Auditor to determine whether an additional fee should be paid.	312	306

3. Fee for cancellation of diet of taxation—		
 (a) where written notice of cancellation received from receiving party after 4.00 pm on the fourth working day before the day of the diet of taxation, (b) where written notice of cancellation received from receiving party after 4.00 pm on the second working day before the day of the diet of taxation. 	50% of fee that would be payable under item I1(b) of this Table 75% of fee that would be payable under	50% of fee that would be payable under item I1(b) of this Table 75% of fee that would be payable under
	item I1(b) of this Table	item I1(b) of this Table
PART IV – FEES COMMON TO ALL OFFICES		
J. MISCELLANEOUS		
1. Certified copy of proceedings for appeal to the Supreme Court.	232	227
2. Certifying of any other document (plus copying charges if necessary).	19	19
3. Recording, engrossing, extracting, printing or copying of all documents (exclusive of search fee)—		
(a) by photocopying or otherwise producing a printed or typed copy—		
(i) up to 10 pages,	7	7
(ii) each page or part thereof in excess of 10 pages,	0.50	0.50
(b) for a copy of each document in electronic form.	7	7
4. Any search of records or archives, per 30 minutes or part thereof.	13	
In addition, correspondence fee where applicable.	13	13
5. Captions—		
(a) marking caption when ordered,	13	13
(b) warrant for caption when issued.	13	13
6. Change of party name where more than 10 cases are registered – per case.	2	2

Article 3(2)(b)

SCHEDULE 2 TABLE OF FEES

Payable from 1 April 2023

Column 1 (Matters)	Column 2 (Fee payable) £	Column 3 (Fee formerly Payable)(a) £
PART I – FEES IN THE CENTRAL OFFICE OF THE COURT		
A. SIGNETING		
Signeting of any writ or summons if attendance is necessary outwith normal office hours.	140	137
B. GENERAL DEPARTMENT		
1. Appeal, application for leave or permission to appeal, summons, or other writ or step by which any cause or proceeding, other than a family action, is originated in either the Inner or Outer House (to include signeting in normal office hours).	332	325
2. Defences, answers or other writ (including a joint minute) or step in process or enrolment or opposition to a motion in a pending process by which a party other than an originating party first makes an appearance in a cause or proceeding, other than a family action.	332	325
3. Writ by which a family action is originated (other than a simplified divorce or dissolution of a civil partnership application) – inclusive fee (to include signeting within normal office hours and, if applicable, issue to the pursuer of an extract in terms of item G5(a) of this Table, and to the defender, if appropriate, a duplicate thereof).	184	180
4. Simplified divorce or dissolution of a civil partnership application (inclusive of all procedure other than that specified in item B5 of this Table).	140	137
5. In relation to a simplified divorce or dissolution of a civil partnership application, citation of any persons under rule 16.1(1)(a)(i), (ii) or (iii), as applied by rule 49.76, of the Rules of Court, or intimation to any person or persons under rule 16.1(1)(a)(i), (ii) or (iii), as applied by rule 49.76 of those Rules, where such intimation is required.	plus messenger at arms fee to serve document	plus messenger at arms fee to serve document
6. Defences, answers or other writ (including a joint minute) or step in process or enrolment of or opposition to a motion in a pending process by which a party other than an originating party first makes appearance in a family action.	184	180

⁽a) Column 3 shows the fees which were payable by virtue of schedule 1 of this Order immediately before the coming into force of this schedule.

7. Initial lodging of affidavits in a family action where	79	77
proof by affidavit evidence has been allowed. 8. Special case—		
for each party,	117	115
maximum fee payable (per case).	481	472
9. Application by minute or motion for variation of an	40	40
order in a family action.	40	10
10. Answers or opposition to an application under item B9	40	40
of this Table. 11. Letter of request to a foreign court.	59	58
12. Citation of each jury, to include outlays incurred in	329	323
citing and countermanding - payable on receipt of	329	323
instruments for issue of precept.		
13. Reclaiming motion - payable by party enrolling motion.	237	232
14. Closed record – payable by each party on the lodging	221	217
of the closed record or, where no closed record is lodged,		
when mode of enquiry is determined.		
15. Allowing proof, etc payable by each party on diet of	64	63
proof, jury trial, procedure roll or summar roll hearing		
being allowed.	221	24.7
16. Court hearing (in normal hours) before a bench of one	221	217
or two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof.		
Note: This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the		
hearing of a motion.		
17. Court hearing (in normal hours) before 3 or more	554	543
judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part		
thereof.		
<i>Note:</i> This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the		
hearing on the single bills.		2.51
18. Court hearing (out of hours) before a bench of one or	266	261
two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof.		
19. Court hearing (out of hours) before 3 or more judges –	665	652
payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof.	003	032
20. Cancellation of court hearing before 3 or more judges,	50% of fee that	50% of fee that
by a party or parties, within 28 days of court hearing date –	would have been	would have
fee payable is shared equally between the parties.	payable under	been payable
	this Table had	under this Table
	the court hearing	had the court
	taken place as	hearing taken
21 Fee payable by any party anguling a motion or making	planned	place as planned 108
21. Fee payable by any party enrolling a motion or making a motion orally at the bar and any party opposing any such	110	108
motion.		
C. PETITION DEPARTMENT		
1 Datition of whatever nature presented to the Inner or	222	325
1. Petition of whatever nature presented to the Inner or Outer House other than a petition under item C3 or C4 of	332	323
this Table, whether in respect of the first or any subsequent		
step of process, and any application for registration or		
recognition of a judgment under the Civil Jurisdiction and		
Judgments Act 1982.		

2. Additional fee payable when a petition in terms of item C1 of this Table is presented outwith normal office hours.	140	137
3. Petition to be admitted as a notary public—		
for each applicant.	177	174
4. Petition to be admitted as a solicitor—		
for each applicant.	177	174
5. Answers, objection or other writ (including a joint	332	325
minute) or step in process or enrolment or opposition to a motion in a pending process by which a party other than an originating party first makes appearance in a proceeding to which item C1 of this Table applies.	332	320
6. Caveat.	47	46
7. Registering official copies of orders of courts in England and Wales or Northern Ireland.	19	19
8. Reclaiming motion – payable by party enrolling motion.	237	232
9. Closed record – payable by each party on the lodging of the closed record or, when no closed record is lodged, when mode of enquiry is determined.	221	217
10. Allowing proof, etc. – payable by each party on diet of proof, procedure roll, summar roll or judicial review hearing being allowed.	64	63
11. Court hearing (in normal hours) before a bench of one or two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof. Note: This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the hearing of a motion.	221	217
12. Court hearing (in normal hours) before 3 or more judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof. Note: This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the hearing on the single bills.	554	543
13. Court hearing (out of hours) before a bench of one or two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof.	266	261
14. Court hearing (out of hours) before 3 or more judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof.	665	652
15. Cancellation of court hearing before 3 or more judges, by a party or parties, within 28 days of court hearing date – fee payable is shared equally between parties.	50% of fee that would have been payable under this Table had the court hearing taken place as planned	50% of fee that would have been payable under this Table had the court hearing taken place as planned
16. Fee payable by any party enrolling a motion or making a motion orally at the bar and any party opposing any such motion.	110	108
17. Lodging of notice of appointment or intention to appoint an administrator out of court under the Insolvency Act 1986 or filing documents with the court to obtain a moratorium under section A3 of Part A1 of that Act.	332	325
D. COURT FOR HEARING APPEALS RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS		

Appeal – inclusive fee.	332	325
E. ELECTION COURT		
Parliamentary election petition.	332	325
2. Statement of matters.	19	19
3. Any other petition, application, answers or objections submitted to the court.	59	58
4. Certificate of judgment.	59	58
5. Court hearing (in normal hours) before a bench of one or two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof. Note: This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the hearing of a motion.	221	217
6. Court hearing (in normal hours) before 3 or more judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof. Note: This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the hearing on the single bills.	554	543
7. Fee payable by any party enrolling a motion or making a motion orally at the bar and any party opposing any such motion.	110	108
F. LANDS VALUATION APPEAL COURT		
1. Appeal - inclusive fee.	332	325
2. Answers - inclusive fee.	237	232
G. EXTRACTS DEPARTMENT		
1. Extract decree following upon a summons, petition or appeal, or after protestation of a note, whether in absence or otherwise.	64	63
2. Extract of admission as a solicitor.	59	58
3. Extract of protestation.	59	58
4. Certificate under the Civil Jurisdiction and Judgments Act 1982.	59	58
5. Documentation evidencing divorce, nullity or dissolution of marriage or civil partnership including— (a) extract from Consistorial Register of Decrees of	34	34
decree pronounced on or after 23 September 1975 if not issued in terms of item B3 or B4 of this Table,		
(b) certificate of divorce in decree pronounced prior to 23 September 1975,		
(c) certified copy interlocutor in decree pronounced prior to 23 September 1975.		
6. Extract from the Register of Acts and Decrees – per sheet or part thereof.	34	34
7. Sealing and certifying any document for exhibition in a foreign jurisdiction or otherwise.	34	34
8. Acknowledgement of receipt of a notice under section 19(6) or 21(2) of the Conveyancing and Feudal Reform (Scotland) Act 1970.	59	58
PART II – FEES IN THE OFFICE OF THE ACCOUNTANT OF COURT		
H. OFFICE OF THE ACCOUNTANT OF COURT		

I. In Factories		
1. Registering case and receiving and delivering up bond of caution.	23	23
2. Examining factor's inventory – 0.333% of the value of the estate as disclosed—		
(a) minimum fee payable,	34	34
(b) maximum fee payable.	799	783
3. Auditing each account, based on estate value—		
(a) £0 - £30,000,	123	121
(b) £30,001 - £50,000,	250	245
(c) £50,001 - £250,000,	623	611
(d) £250,001 - £500,000,	935	917
(e) £500,001 and above.	1,247	1,223
4. Reporting with regard to discharge, special powers, other special matters, surplus estate or scheme of division.	61	60
5. For certificate under seal.	18	18
II. In Consignations		
6. Lodging consignation.	36	36
7. Producing or delivering up consignation, based on	30	30
consignation value—		
(a) consignation value £0 - £50 and less than 7 years since lodged,	No charge	No charge
(b) consignation value over £50 and less than 7 years since lodged,	36	36
(c) consignation value £0 - £70 and over 7 years since lodged,	No charge	No charge
(d) consignation value over £70 and over 7 years since lodged.	58	57
PART III – FEES IN THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR OF THE COURT OF SESSION		
I. OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR OF THE COURT OF SESSION		
1. Taxing accounts of expenses incurred in judicial proceedings (including proceedings in the High Court of Justiciary) remitted to the Auditor of the Court of Session for taxation—		
(a) on lodging account for taxation,	48	47
(b) taxing accounts for expenses etc.—		
(i) up to £400,	21	21
(ii) for every additional £100 or part thereof.	5	5
Note: fee to be determined by the Auditor of the Court of		
Session on amount of account as submitted.		
2. Fee for assessing account remitted to the Auditor to determine whether an additional fee should be paid.	318	312
3. Fee for cancellation of diet of taxation—		
(a) where written notice of cancellation received from receiving party after 4.00 pm on the fourth	50% of fee that would be payable under	50% of fee that would be payable under

working day before the day of the diet of taxation, (b) where written notice of cancellation received from receiving party after 4.00 pm on the second working day before the day of the diet of taxation.	item I1(b) of this Table 75% of fee that would be payable under item I1(b) of this Table	item I1(b) of this Table 75% of fee that would be payable under item I1(b) of this Table
PART IV – FEES COMMON TO ALL OFFICES		
J. MISCELLANEOUS 1. Certified copy of proceedings for appeal to the Supreme Court.	237	232
2. Certifying of any other document (plus copying charges if necessary).	19	19
3. Recording, engrossing, extracting, printing or copying of all documents (exclusive of search fee)—		
(a) by photocopying or otherwise producing a printed or typed copy—		
(i) up to 10 pages,	7	7
(ii) each page or part thereof in excess of 10 pages,	0.50	0.50
(b) for a copy of each document in electronic form.	7	7
4. Any search of records or archives, per 30 minutes or part thereof.	13	13
In addition, correspondence fee where applicable.	13	13
5. Captions—		
(a) marking caption when ordered,	13	13
(b) warrant for caption when issued.	13	13
6. Change of party name where more than 10 cases are registered – per case.	2	2

Article 3(2)(c)

SCHEDULE 3 TABLE OF FEES

Payable from 1 April 2024

Column 1 (Matters)	Column 2 (Fee payable) £	Column 3 (Fee formerly Payable)(a) £
PART I – FEES IN THE CENTRAL OFFICE OF THE COURT		
A. SIGNETING		
Signeting of any writ or summons if attendance is necessary outwith normal office hours.	143	140
B. GENERAL DEPARTMENT		
1. Appeal, application for leave or permission to appeal, summons, or other writ or step by which any cause or proceeding, other than a family action, is originated in either the Inner or Outer House (to include signeting in normal office hours).	339	332
2. Defences, answers or other writ (including a joint minute) or step in process or enrolment or opposition to a motion in a pending process by which a party other than an originating party first makes an appearance in a cause or proceeding, other than a family action.	339	332
3. Writ by which a family action is originated (other than a simplified divorce or dissolution of a civil partnership application) – inclusive fee (to include signeting within normal office hours and, if applicable, issue to the pursuer of an extract in terms of item G5(a) of this Table, and to the defender, if appropriate, a duplicate thereof).	188	184
4. Simplified divorce or dissolution of a civil partnership application (inclusive of all procedure other than that specified in item B5 of this Table).	143	140
5. In relation to a simplified divorce or dissolution of a civil partnership application, citation of any persons under rule 16.1(1)(a)(i), (ii) or (iii), as applied by rule 49.76, of the Rules of Court, or intimation to any person or persons under rule 16.1(1)(a)(i), (ii) or (iii), as applied by rule 49.76 of those Rules, where such intimation is required.	plus messenger at arms fee to serve document	plus messenger at arms fee to serve document
6. Defences, answers or other writ (including a joint minute) or step in process or enrolment of or opposition to a motion in a pending process by which a party other than an originating party first makes appearance in a family action.	188	184

⁽a) Column 3 shows the fees which were payable by virtue of schedule 2 of this Order immediately before the coming into force of this schedule.

7. Initial lodging of affidavits in a family action where	81	79
proof by affidavit evidence has been allowed.		
8. Special case—		
for each party,	119	117
maximum fee payable (per case).	491	481
9. Application by minute or motion for variation of an	40	40
order in a family action. 10. Answers or opposition to an application under item B9	40	40
of this Table.	40	40
11. Letter of request to a foreign court.	60	59
12. Citation of each jury, to include outlays incurred in	342	329
citing and countermanding - payable on receipt of	312	32)
instruments for issue of precept.		
13. Reclaiming motion - payable by party enrolling motion.	242	237
14. Closed record – payable by each party on the lodging	225	221
of the closed record or, where no closed record is lodged,		
when mode of enquiry is determined.		
15. Allowing proof, etc payable by each party on diet of	65	64
proof, jury trial, procedure roll or summar roll hearing		
being allowed.		
16. Court hearing (in normal hours) before a bench of one	225	221
or two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes		
or part thereof.		
<i>Note:</i> This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the hearing of a motion.		
17. Court hearing (in normal hours) before 3 or more	565	554
judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part	303	334
thereof.		
<i>Note:</i> This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the		
hearing on the single bills.		
18. Court hearing (out of hours) before a bench of one or	271	266
two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or		
part thereof.		
19. Court hearing (out of hours) before 3 or more judges –	678	665
payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof.	5000 CC 11 1	700 CC 1
20. Cancellation of court hearing before 3 or more judges,	50% of fee that would have been	50% of fee that
by a party or parties, within 28 days of court hearing date – fee payable is shared equally between the parties.	payable under	would have been payable
ree payable is shared equally between the parties.	this Table had	under this Table
	the court hearing	had the court
	taken place as	hearing taken
	planned	place as planned
21. Fee payable by any party enrolling a motion or making	112	110
a motion orally at the bar and any party opposing any such		
motion.		
C. PETITION DEPARTMENT		
1. Petition of whatever nature presented to the Inner or	339	332
Outer House other than a petition under item C3 or C4 of		
this Table, whether in respect of the first or any subsequent		
step of process, and any application for registration or		
recognition of a judgment under the Civil Jurisdiction and		
Judgments Act 1982.	1.10	1.40
2. Additional fee payable when a petition in terms of item	143	140

C1 of this Table is presented outwith normal office hours.		
3. Petition to be admitted as a notary public—		
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for each applicant.	181	177
4. Petition to be admitted as a solicitor—		
for each applicant.	181	177
5. Answers, objection or other writ (including a joint	339	332
minute) or step in process or enrolment or opposition to a	337	332
motion in a pending process by which a party other than an		
originating party first makes appearance in a proceeding to		
which item C1 of this Table applies.		
6. Caveat.	48	47
7. Registering official copies of orders of courts in England	20	19
and Wales or Northern Ireland.		
8. Reclaiming motion – payable by party enrolling motion.	242	237
9. Closed record – payable by each party on the lodging of	225	221
the closed record or, when no closed record is lodged,		
when mode of enquiry is determined.		64
10. Allowing proof, etc. – payable by each party on diet of	65	64
proof, procedure roll, summar roll or judicial review		
hearing being allowed.	225	221
11. Court hearing (in normal hours) before a bench of one or two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes	223	221
or part thereof.		
Note: This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the		
hearing of a motion.		
12. Court hearing (in normal hours) before 3 or more	565	554
judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part		
thereof.		
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hearing on the single bills.		
13. Court hearing (out of hours) before a bench of one or	271	266
two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or		
part thereof.	(70	665
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payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part thereof.	5007 CC 41 4	500% CC 41 4
15. Cancellation of court hearing before 3 or more judges,	50% of fee that would have been	50% of fee that would have
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	the court hearing	had the court
	taken place as	hearing taken
	planned	place as planned
16. Fee payable by any party enrolling a motion or making	112	110
a motion orally at the bar and any party opposing any such		
motion.		
17. Lodging of notice of appointment or intention to	339	332
appoint an administrator out of court under the Insolvency		
Act 1986 or filing documents with the court to obtain a moratorium under section A3 of Part A1 of that Act.		
D. COURT FOR HEARING APPEALS RELATING TO		
THE REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS		
THE REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS		
Appeal – inclusive fee.	339	332
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E. ELECTION COURT		
E. ELECTION COURT		
1. Parliamentary election petition.	339	332
2. Statement of matters.	20	19
3. Any other petition, application, answers or objections	60	59
submitted to the court.		
4. Certificate of judgment.	60	59
5. Court hearing (in normal hours) before a bench of one or	225	221
two judges – payable by each party for every 30 minutes or		
part thereof.		
Note: This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the hearing of a motion.		
6. Court hearing (in normal hours) before 3 or more judges	565	554
– payable by each party for every 30 minutes or part	303	334
thereof.		
Note: This fee does not apply to the first 30 minutes of the		
hearing on the single bills.		
7. Fee payable by any party enrolling a motion or making a	112	110
motion orally at the bar and any party opposing any such		
motion.		
F. LANDS VALUATION APPEAL COURT		
	220	222
1. Appeal - inclusive fee.	339	332
2. Answers - inclusive fee.	242	237
G. EXTRACTS DEPARTMENT		
1. Extract decree following upon a summons, petition or	65	64
appeal, or after protestation of a note, whether in absence	05	04
or otherwise.		
2. Extract of admission as a solicitor.	60	59
3. Extract of protestation.	60	59
4. Certificate under the Civil Jurisdiction and Judgments	60	59
Act 1982.		
5. Documentation evidencing divorce, nullity or dissolution	34	34
of marriage or civil partnership including—		
(a) extract from Consistorial Register of Decrees of		
decree pronounced on or after 23 September 1975		
if not issued in terms of item B3 or B4 of this		
Table,		
(b) certificate of divorce in decree pronounced prior		
to 23 September 1975,		
(c) certified copy interlocutor in decree pronounced		
prior to 23 September 1975.		
6. Extract from the Register of Acts and Decrees – per	34	34
sheet or part thereof.		
7. Sealing and certifying any document for exhibition in a	34	34
foreign jurisdiction or otherwise.		
8. Acknowledgement of receipt of a notice under section	60	59
19(6) or 21(2) of the Conveyancing and Feudal Reform		
(Scotland) Act 1970. PART II – FEES IN THE OFFICE OF THE	-	
ACCOUNTANT OF COURT		
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H. OFFICE OF THE ACCOUNTANT OF COURT		

1. Registering case and receiving and delivering up bond of	24	23
caution.		
2. Examining factor's inventory – 0.333% of the value of the estate as disclosed—		
(a) minimum fee payable,	34	34
(b) maximum fee payable.	815	799
3. Auditing each account, based on estate value—		
(a) £0 - £30,000,	125	123
(b) £30,001 - £50,000,	255	250
(c) £50,001 - £250,000,	635	623
(d) £250,001 - £500,000,	954	935
(e) £500,001 and above.	1,272	1,247
4. Reporting with regard to discharge, special powers, other special matters, surplus estate or scheme of division.	62	61
5. For certificate under seal.	19	18
II. In Consignations		
6. Lodging consignation.	36	36
7. Producing or delivering up consignation, based on		
consignation value—		
(a) consignation value £0 - £50 and less than 7 years since lodged,	No charge	No charge
(b) consignation value over £50 and less than 7 years since lodged,	36	36
(c) consignation value £0 - £70 and over 7 years since lodged,	No charge	No charge
(d) consignation value over £70 and over 7 years since lodged.	59	58
PART III – FEES IN THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR OF THE COURT OF SESSION		
I. OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR OF THE COURT OF SESSION		
1. Taxing accounts of expenses incurred in judicial proceedings (including proceedings in the High Court of Justiciary) remitted to the Auditor of the Court of Session for taxation—		
(a) on lodging account for taxation,	49	48
(b) taxing accounts for expenses etc.—		
(i) up to £400,	22	21
(ii) for every additional £100 or part thereof.	5	5
<i>Note:</i> fee to be determined by the Auditor of the Court of Session on amount of account as submitted.		
2. Fee for assessing account remitted to the Auditor to determine whether an additional fee should be paid.	324	318
3. Fee for cancellation of diet of taxation—		
(a) where written notice of cancellation received from receiving party after 4.00 pm on the fourth working day before the day of the diet of taxation,	50% of fee that would be payable under	50% of fee that would be payable under

(b) where written notice of cancellation received from receiving party after 4.00 pm on the second working day before the day of the diet of taxation.	item I1(b) of this Table 75% of fee that would be payable under item I1(b) of this Table	item I1(b) of this Table 75% of fee that would be payable under item I1(b) of this Table
PART IV – FEES COMMON TO ALL OFFICES		
J. MISCELLANEOUS 1. Certified copy of proceedings for appeal to the Supreme Court.	242	237
2. Certifying of any other document (plus copying charges if necessary).	20	19
3. Recording, engrossing, extracting, printing or copying of all documents (exclusive of search fee)—		
(a) by photocopying or otherwise producing a printed or typed copy—		
(i) up to 10 pages,	7	7
(ii) each page or part thereof in excess of 10 pages,	0.50	0.50
(b) for a copy of each document in electronic form.	7	7
4. Any search of records or archives, per 30 minutes or part thereof.	14	13
In addition, correspondence fee where applicable.	14	13
5. Captions—		
(a) marking caption when ordered,	14	13
(b) warrant for caption when issued.	14	13
6. Change of party name where more than 10 cases are registered – per case.	2	2

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes provision for the fees payable in the Court of Session, to the Principal Clerk of Session, the Accountant of Court and the Auditor of the Court of Session, or any officer acting for one of those officers (as appropriate).

Article 3 and schedules 1 to 3 specify fee levels payable in the Court of Session in respect of certain matters.

- The fee levels for the period from 1 July 2022 until 31 March 2023 are given effect by the Table of Fees in schedule 1.
- The fee levels for the period from 1 April 2023 until 31 March 2024 are given effect by the Table of Fees in schedule 2.
- The fee levels from 1 April 2024 onwards are given effect by the Table of Fees in schedule 3.

Article 3(4) provides that fees are not to be payable by the Crown in the enforcement of the criminal law or in the exercise of powers or the performance of duties arising out of or relating to that enforcement.

Article 3(5) provides that the relevant office holders are not required to do any act in connection with the matter specified in relation to that fee without either prior payment of the fee or entering into an arrangement for payment of the fee.

Articles 4 and 5 exempt certain persons from payment of fees.

Article 6 provides for an exemption relating to applications for certain interdicts and orders, and appeals against decisions made in such applications.

Article 7 provides for exemptions for certain proceedings relating to the environment.

Article 8 exempts certain motions from fees, by reference to the Rules of the Court of Session 1994.

Article 9 provides for the calculation of certain fees payable.

Article 10 revokes the Court of Session etc. Fees Order 2018.

A Business and Regulatory Impact Assessment has been prepared for this Order and placed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre. Copies can be obtained from the Scottish Government Justice Directorate, St Andrews House, Edinburgh EH1 3DG.

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